



ACTIVITIES UPDATE



ANIMAL PROTECTION OF NEW MEXICO, INC.



2001 Summer Edition

APNM AWARDS FIRST MILAGROS

Animal Protection of New Mexico (APNM) honored nine humanitarians at its first Milagro (Miracle) Awards Dinner and Ceremony, held Saturday, November 18th, 2000 at the Hotel Santa Fe. The awards recognize individual and collaborative acts of humane integrity.

Awardees included: **Congressman Tom Udall (D-New Mexico):** Advocacy Award; **Duchess, a female Boxer:** Animal Award; **Robert "Skip" and Mary Trimble:** APNM's Board of Directors' Award; **The Santa Fe Animal Shelter and Humane Society:** Direct Animal Services Award; **Senator Mary Jane Garcia and Representative David Pederson:** two Executive Director's Awards; **State Land Commissioner, Ray Powell, Jr., DVM:** Humane Education Award; **Santa Fe New Mexican Columnist, Wes Smalling:** Media Award; **Wild Friends:** Youth Award.



The 2001 Milagro Awards Dinner and Ceremony will be held Saturday, November 3rd at the Hilton of Santa Fe, 100 Sandoval, Santa Fe. See APNM's web site at www.apnm.org for updates and nomination forms.

APNM Settles Suit for Coulston Records

A Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) lawsuit filed by Animal Protection of New Mexico against the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) was settled in US District Court, Las Cruces, on March 26, United States Magistrate Judge Karen Molzen presiding. The suit, filed a year ago when the government unlawfully

withheld records responsive to APNM FOIA requests, resulted in release of USDA investigative records leading to an August 24, 1999 Consent Decision and Order (Order) between the agency and The Coulston Foundation, an Alamogordo biomedical research laboratory. The USDA has brought more sets of formal charges against Coulston than against any of the 1200 other American research labs registered with USDA.

Through the lawsuit, APNM obtained records withheld by the USDA and certain information withheld from the records that were provided earlier to APNM. Documents withheld by the USDA included:

- copies of key research protocols under which some primates had died;
- the results of necropsies (animal autopsies) performed on the deceased chimpanzees;
- the report of an External Review Team;

- videotape of a seven-hour surgery performed to insert an experimental cervical disc into chimpanzee Leonard's spine.

Records released subsequent to the lawsuit:

- confirmed Coulston's atrocious record of inadequate veterinary care;
- revealed a chronic pattern of federal animal welfare law violations;
- exposed additional violations of research protocols; and,
- revealed that Coulston had continued to breed chimpanzees in direct violation of the USDA Order. Despite this evidence, however, the USDA failed—and continues to fail—to levy a \$100,000 civil penalty held in abeyance pending Coulston's compliance with the Order.

In interviews and affidavits obtained by APNM under the FOIA, Coulston employees and independent researchers provided (continued on page 3)



Actress and animal activist, Ali MacGraw, demonstrates the hideous conditions in which Coulston chimps spend their entire lives.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For information on any of these events, please call the ABQ office at 265-2322, unless otherwise indicated.

Monthly Member Meetings in Santa Fe:
First Tuesday of every month at 7 pm (optional potluck at 8 pm). Call Rick or Donna at 466-1692 for more info.

September

Sept. 7 – Sept. 23: NM State Fair, Factory Farming & Vegetarian Display
Sept. 30 – Oct. 6: New Mexico Week for the Animals; for more information, go to www.animalweek.org

October

Tuesday, Oct. 2: World Farm Animals Day & Mahatma Gandhi's birthday

November

Saturday, November 3 – 2001 Milagro Awards
Santa Fe Hilton

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A STATEWIDE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT
ADVOCATES THE RIGHTS OF ANIMALS BY AFFECTING
SYSTEMIC CHANGE WHICH RESULTS IN THE HUMANE
TREATMENT OF ALL ANIMALS.

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

APNM has always relied heavily on the active participation of you, our members, to bring relief to animal suffering in New Mexico. Since we know you're busy, we hope you'll appreciate this more concise newsletter format. With the average American receiving tens of thousands of "messages" weekly from advertisements, emails, telephone, radio, television, etc., we want to give you the kind of information you need to be most effective. For those who want still more details than this newsletter provides, please visit our website at www.apnm.org. Click on our most recent newsletter and get even more comprehensive reviews of the various projects we're pursuing, due to your generosity. For those without internet access, you may contact us and we will send you what you need upon request. We hope you appreciate this effort to keep you well informed but not overwhelmed. Thank you for your continued support!

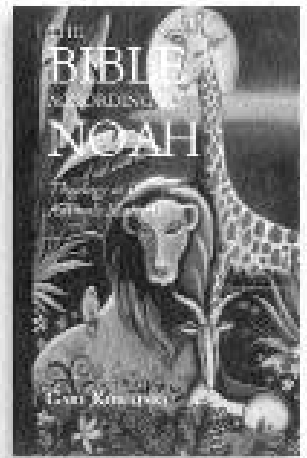
Elisabeth Jennings
Executive Director

FEATURED BOOK REVIEW

"The Bible According To Noah: Theology As If Animals Mattered"

(Lantern Books, 2001). By the Rev.
Gary Kowalski

This new book revisits and revises the Judeo-Christian tradition, in hopes of creating a version of Holy Writ that is biocentric rather than anthropocentric, instilling reverence for all life. Mary Lou Randour, Program Director for Psychologists for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, calls the book "a masterpiece, interweaving modern knowledge of animal life and biblical scholarship with a creative imagination." The book is available from most U.S. bookstores and Amazon.com, as well as from the publisher at www.lanternbooks.com.



APNM WISH LIST

- Nice prizes for raffles (arts & crafts; Bed & Breakfast certificates; etc.)
- copy paper; #10 envelopes
- sturdy bookshelves



New Mexico's Felony Cruelty Law Gets More Teeth

Early in April, New Mexico Governor, Gary Johnson, signed into law Senate Bill 35. The legislation, sponsored by Senator Mary Jane Garcia (D-Dona Ana) removes from the state's recently enact-

ed felony animal cruelty law exemptions for animal carriers, intermediate handlers and exhibitors. These facilities will now be subject to the same standards as individuals for acts of animal cruelty and extreme animal cruelty.



Senator Mary Jane Garcia (D-Doña Ana) speaks out against animal cruelty at an APNM/In Defense of Animals joint press conference.

New Mexico currently has three animal carriers, three intermediate handlers, and 13 facilities and individuals licensed by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to exhibit animals.

The bill also subjects New Mexico's researchers and research laboratories to state oversight for treatment of research animals outside the scope of research protocols. New Mexico has at least eight researchers and research facilities registered with the USDA.

Freedom tag sales support campaign to close Coulston

Proceeds from the sale of chimpanzee freedom tags support APNM's campaign to close the Coulston Foundation (TCF). Tags are available for each of the nearly 600 chimpanzees held captive by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) at Holloman Air Force Base and at Alamogordo by TCF.



Here's why your participation is so important:

- more than 40 chimpanzees have died "unintended" deaths at TCF;
- TCF has been investigated eight times by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA);
- the USDA has cited TCF for inadequate veterinary care;
- The federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA) found more than 270 violations of Good Laboratory Practice Standards (GLPs) in just three studies reviewed at TCF;
- Scientists Jane Goodall and Roger Fouts called TCF "the worst lab in the history of the (federal) Animal Welfare Act."

HOW TO ORDER YOUR TAG(S):

Go to the APNM web site at: www.apnm.org. Select the chimpanzee for which you wish to become a "guardian" either by name or birth date. Be sure to make a selection from among those not already indicated as ADOPTED.

Your chimpanzee freedom tag will be mailed directly to you or, if a gift, to the recipient you indicate. (For gifts, be sure to include the recipient's address). Checks (\$15 per tag) are payable to APNM and must be received before freedom tags are mailed. Send payment to: APNM, Post Office Box 1215, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504. Please indicate alternative selections in case your first choice has already been adopted by the time APNM receives your order.



Coulston Records cont'd:

wrenching first-hand accounts of "unintended" primate deaths at the lab. More than 40 chimpanzees are believed to have died such deaths. The preventable deaths are attributed to such causes as:

- failure to have on hand the antidote to treat well-known side effects of an experimental drug;
- failure to stabilize a chimpanzee prior to surgery to repair an arm fracture;
- a Shigella outbreak; and
- dehydration.

In November 1999, chimpanzee Donna died after carrying a dead fetus in her womb for as long as two months. This July, chimpanzee Gina perished, likely due to being locked outside in the desert heat.

Given the abysmal treatment of animals both within and beyond the experimental protocols, APNM has concluded that the Coulston Foundation must be closed down permanently.

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

Please write polite letters to your Congresspeople (see names and addresses on page 7), urging them to do what is necessary to see that the Coulston chimpanzees are made eligible for retirement under the recently enacted federal CHIMP Act. The CHIMP act, which was passed by Congress in 2000, provides funds to retire to sanctuaries chimpanzees no longer being used for vivisection (although a giant loophole can allow chimps to be returned to vivisection labs if the need arises in the future.) The Coulston chimps could be retired either through an act of Congress or through the actions of the Secretary of Health and Human Services.



LAWMAKERS IGNORE THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE, VOTE TO RETAIN COCKFIGHTING

In the recent 2001 legislature, an impressive coalition of organizations, including the New Mexico Veterinary Medical Association, supported a ban on cockfighting. The coalition, called Voices Against Violence, also consisted of Attorney General Patricia Madrid, the New Mexico Conference of Churches, the New Mexico District Attorneys Association, the New Mexico Chiefs of Police Association, the New Mexico Animal Control Association and Land Commissioner Ray Powell, Jr.

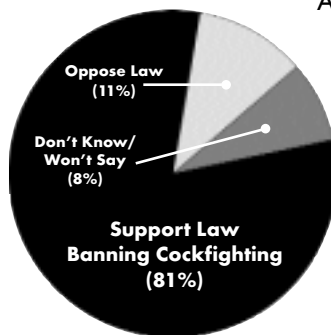
west, 80% in the north-central region, 80% in the northwest and 82% in the Albuquerque metro area all support a ban. • 89% of females and 71% of males support a ban.

Yet despite all this, both a House bill and a Senate bill didn't even make it out of their first committees. SB276, which was introduced by Senator Nancy Rodriguez (D-Santa Fe), and which aimed to ban all animal fighting, was killed in the Senate Public Affairs committee with a vote of 5-4 to "Do Not Pass".



2001, New Mexicans should continue letting their legislators know that they oppose cockfighting and that they want to see it banned. Legislators' addresses can be obtained on the legislative website at legis.state.nm.us.

In addition to the backing of all these influential voices, a January 2001 poll conducted by Research & Polling, Inc., of Albuquerque, revealed that 81% of New Mexicans support a ban on cockfighting. Of those surveyed:



- 84% of Anglos and 76% of Hispanics support a ban.
- 83% of Democrats, 80% of Republicans and 72% of Independents/Other support a ban.
- 77% of people living on the east side of the state, 83% of people in the south/south-

Later in the session, the House Consumer & Public Affairs committee tabled

HB922, introduced by Rep. Joe Thompson (R-ABQ) to specifically ban cockfighting in New Mexico. The motion to table was supported by a 5-4 vote. Even though the legislative session is over for

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

- 1 It is important to stay in contact with your state legislators, even throughout the interim between legislative sessions. Please call your state Senator and state Representative and set up appointments to meet them. Get to know them and let them know that their support of animal issues, and in particular a ban on cockfighting, is important to you as a constituent. Get your friends, neighbors and co-workers to do so as well.
- 2 If you live in a New Mexico county where cockfighting is still legal, work to ban the practice in your county. You may contact us for assistance.

FEDERAL ANTI-COCKFIGHTING BILL INTRODUCED IN THE HOUSE

U.S. Representative Collin Peterson (D-MN) has introduced H.R. 1155 as a companion bill to S. 345, introduced earlier this year by Sens. Wayne Allard (R-CO) and Tom Harkin (D-IA). The legislation will close the loophole in federal law that allows the interstate transport of fighting birds from states where cockfighting is illegal to one of the three states where the practice is still legal. While last year's anti-cockfighting bill received a lot of support in both the House and Senate, we expect even more support this year.

one dissenting vote from Georgia. Unfortunately, soon thereafter, the EAA Act became problematic, and mired in politics related to the amount of the agricultural appropriation, and the House version of it got passed by Congress. Since only the Senate version of the EAA Act (not the version that got passed) had the cockfighting measure attached to it, the cockfighting legislation did not pass.

This is not a victory for the cockfighters, nor is it a defeat for our side.

In early August, progress in the federal effort to ban the interstate transport of fighting roosters turned to disappointment. An amendment banning the practice was tacked onto the Emergency Agriculture Assistance (EAA) Act, and the Senate passed it overwhelmingly, with only

The good news is that S. 345, the stand-alone cockfighting bill, has tremendous support in the U.S. Senate. Efforts will continue to pass this measure through Congress, so please take time to write and call your Congresspeople.

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

LET'S MAKE THIS THE YEAR WE FINALLY CLOSE THE FEDERAL LOOPHOLE THAT ALLOWS THE COCKFIGHTING INDUSTRY TO THRIVE NATIONWIDE!

- 1 Urge your two U.S. Senators to cosponsor S. 345 and do all they can to get it enacted this year (see names and address on page 7), and;
- 2 Urge your U.S. Representative to cosponsor H.R. 1155 and do all he/she can to get it enacted this year: (see names and address on page 7).
- 3 Also call the U.S. Capitol Switchboard at 202/225-3121 to be connected to your Congresspeople's offices.



Animal Circuses Still Plague New Mexico Towns

Albuquerque Shrine Circus

The notorious Jordan Productions, accompanied by Hawthorn elephants and other exotic animal exhibitors, performed at this year's Ballut Abyad Shrine Circus in Albuquerque. APNM has learned that the Shriners are renewing their contract with the New Mexico State Fair this year. Please contact the Fair Commission members (see below right) and ask them to pass a policy banning exotic animal acts. At the very least, board members should implement regulations APNM has recommended to mandate humane husbandry conditions for the animals as well as work to protect the public from harm.

Santa Fe Circus

Earlier this year, in an effort to protect animals forced to perform unnatural tricks in travelling circuses, lower the liability of the city, and protect the public, Santa Fe City Councilor Frank Montano sponsored two bills that would limit or ban exotic animal acts within the city of Santa Fe.

APNM launched a petition drive for Santa Fe members to demonstrate to the council that area residents support a ban on exotic animal acts. Thanks to dedicated volunteers like Carolyn Kenny, Donna Minor, Rick Minor, Mira Foug and dozens of other advocates and members, over 3,300 signatures were gathered and presented to the council at a March 14th public hearing.

Unfortunately, this ordinance that would ban traveling exotic animal acts in Santa Fe was narrowly defeated by the city council, while another that would place limits on circuses with exotic animal acts was withdrawn by the sponsor.

Councilors Cris Moore, Karen Heldmeyer, Jimmie Martinez, Carol Robertson-Lopez and Matthew Ortiz voted against the ban. Councilors who need to be praised because they stood up for the animals and voted in favor of a ban are: Frank Montano; Miguel Chavez; and Pattie Bushee. (All councilors can receive mail — even a quick postcard will help — at P.O. Box 909 Santa Fe, NM 87504-0909.)

In spite of the vote, Councilor Montano plans to re-introduce the legislation in the near future, since he understands and has clearly stated that

Wildlife and the 2001 New Mexico Legislative Session

During the 2001 session, New Mexico legislators considered several bills that would affect wildlife in New Mexico. Several of those bills have become law by the governor's signature.

The most stunning success for wildlife this year is the passage and signing of House Bill 282, Protection for Amphibians and Reptiles, sponsored by Representative Ray Begaye (D-Shiprock). This law will allow the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish (NMDGF) to permit, regulate or prohibit the commercial taking of native, free ranging reptiles and amphibians. Until now, New Mexico has been the only state in the southwest that did



not regulate such take. Unfortunately, Senator Lyons, R-Cuervo, amended the bill on the Senate floor to exclude rattlesnake roundups, lizard races and the collection of fish for bait. APNM supported this bill that was spearheaded by National Audubon – New Mexico.

To learn about other pro-wildlife bills passed and the legislators who were largely responsible, please see APNM's website at www.apnm.org.

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

Please write thank you notes to Representatives and Senators who sponsored HB282 and other bills friendly to wildlife. You should refer to the bill number in the thank you note Representative or Senator, State Capitol Santa Fe, NM 87501



Wild animals, who spend their captive lives in cages and live under fear of punishment, are forced to perform silly and degrading tricks for circus audiences.

animals used in circuses do suffer. To help with this next effort, the animals need your presence and your voice at the council meetings! Until then, please call, email, write or fax Santa Fe's City Councilors.

In the meantime, Jordan Productions has already been granted permission by the Council to perform for the Santa Fe Shrine Club in September and APNM will be out in force to educate people about the cruel treatment of wild animals forced to perform and the related public safety concerns. We won't be going away as long as the animals continue to suffer. See you at the circus!

Note: for circus demo times & dates, please see our website (apnm.org) or call 505.989.1442

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

Write to:
Kay Shollenbarger, General Manager
New Mexico State Fair
PO Box 8546
Albuquerque, NM 87198
Phone: 505-265-1791
Fax: 505-266-7784
E-mail: info@nmstatefair.com

Also write the entire Fair Commission at the same address:
2001 NM State Fair Commission
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Blake Curtis, Vice Chairman
D'Auna Wood, Secretary-Treasurer
Jim T. Dunlap, Commissioner
Lela Kaskalla, Commissioner
Lauren H. Nunn, Commissioner
Ned Shepherd, Commissioner



Animal Live-Trapping Recommendations

When an animal is living in an area that is unsafe or unsuitable, a live-trap provides an easy, safe and humane way to capture, transport and relocate the animal, whether the relocation is to an animal shelter or a new home site.

- Borrow a live-trap from your local animal control agency or humane society, or purchase one from a local hardware store.
- Place the live-trap in a safe, sheltered place.
- Bait the live-trap with food appropriate for the species of animal you're trying to lure.
- Move away from the live-trap.
- Check the live-trap every TWO hours. NEVER leave a live trap unattended overnight.
- Once the animal is in the live trap, immediately cover the entire trap with a sheet, pillowcase or towel to calm the frightened animal and make him/her feel secure.
- Move quietly and do not touch or handle a feral or wild animal.
- Transport the covered live trap immediately to your animal control agency, humane society, veterinarian or relocation site.
- Do NOT leave the animal in the live trap for an extended length of time in order to "teach the animal a lesson [about where not to live]", or scare the animal into not returning once released. **Leaving an animal in any live trap, particularly an enclosed "hot-box" trap, for more than the recommended time is cruel and could be a violation of local cruelty laws.**

Notes: If you have trap-shy animals, or those who take the food without setting off the trap, try lining the bottom of the trap with a layer of newspaper or leaves (this disguises the spring plate).

If you are live-trapping animals in a location where they are routinely fed, ask the feeders NOT to feed the animals for one day in advance of trapping. Hungry animals will be more likely to go into the live traps.

Be extremely careful of live-trapping nursing female animals. Young abandoned animals will not be able to survive. If you suspect you have caught a nursing animal, ask your animal control agency or veterinarian to examine her for confirmation. Return to the site and listen for animals crying and look for other signs of young animals. Look for them under all sheds, buildings and shrubs. If advisable, reunite offspring with their mother if she has been relocated or take them to the animal shelter for a humane disposition. Don't abandon the young to starvation or predation.



NO MORE HOMELESS PETS OF NEW MEXICO LAUNCHES PROJECT SPAY NEUTER NOW!

No More Homeless Pets of New Mexico (formerly the No More Homeless Pets Coalition) recently launched its Project Spay/Neuter NOW! by awarding \$25,000 to eight New Mexico animal welfare organizations and entities to fund spay/neuter surgeries for the cats and dogs of qualified low-income clients. Local participating veterinarians performed the 561 surgeries during April 2001. All organizations receiving the

grants matched every dollar received, thereby doubling the effect of their grants.

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

Join NMHP by sending a check to NMHP at P.O. Box 94390, Albuquerque, NM 87199-4390. Membership contributions are encouraged at \$25, \$50 and \$100 or the amount that you determine.



Humane investigator tip:

One of the greatest ways to stop animal suffering is to prevent it! Now is the time to post information warning people of the danger of leaving animals in hot cars this summer and to remind them to provide open shade and plenty of fresh water for companion animals left outside. Every year confined animals suffer and die from heat prostration in New Mexico when they are unable to reach a cool, shaded area. Don't let it happen in your neighborhood. Contact APNM (Michele 505/989-1442 or michele@apnm.org) for flyers to post and brochures to distribute.

Cruelty Caseworker Log

McKinley County: Recently APNM was subpoenaed to testify in a cruelty case involving multiple violations of the McKinley County animal control ordinance. Last September, approximately 59 cats were taken into protective custody after reports of sick and dying cats and kittens were received by Gallup animal control. While many of the cats were too ill for adoption, the Gallup Humane Society took a special interest in ensuring good homes for as many of the healthy animals as possible.

Over eight hours of testimony from a variety of witnesses led to eight guilty verdicts. When court systems function properly with dedicated professionals taking animal cases seriously, everyone wins. The court suspended the fine and the jail sentence for Victoria Glenn, operator of "The Lighthouse" a self-proclaimed non-profit "sanctuary" that was not registered with the state of New Mexico, based on stipulations that she receive counseling and allow unannounced inspections of her property.



THANK YOU APNM VOLUNTEERS & ACTIVISTS!

Memorials/donations given in someone's name

APNM received a gift in memory of Lizzie the cat, treasured friend of Jean and Larry Wickline, from Deborah Schildkraut.

Thank you to Linda Tyler's family who gave a Christmas gift to APNM in the name of her sister, Betty Ann Williams.

We are grateful for a gift from Charlotte M. Devers honoring Sherry Madison.

Thank You's

A very special thank you to the following veterinarians:

- Good Shepherd Animal Clinic**
- Dr. Alice DeGroot**
- Adobe Animal Medical Center, Dr. Jeff Nichol**
- Lomas Veterinary Clinic, Dr. Faith Flower**
- Northview Animal Clinic, Dr. David Helper**
- VCA West Mesa Animal Clinic, Dr. David Caffey**
- Arroyo Seco Animal Hospital, Espanola**

- Cottonwood Veterinary Clinic, Espanola**
- Mauro Veterinary Clinic, Espanola**
- Aardvark Veterinary Clinic, Santa Fe Animal Clinic, Santa Fe**
- Arrighetti Animal Hospital, Santa Fe**
- Cedarwood Veterinary Clinic, Santa Fe**
- Eldorado Animal Clinic, Santa Fe**
- Northside Veterinary Clinic, Santa Fe**
- St. Francis Animal Clinic, Santa Fe**
- Sierra Veterinary Hospital, Santa Fe**
- Sangre de Cristo Animal Hospital, Santa Fe**
- Smith Veterinary Hospital, Santa Fe**
- Valley Veterinary Clinic, Santa Fe**
- Deming Animal Clinic, Deming**
- East Lohman Veterinary Clinic, Las Cruces**
- Jornado Veterinary Clinic, Las Cruces**
- Picacho Veterinary Clinic, Las Cruces**
- Solano Animal Clinic, Las Cruces**
- Animal Medical Center of Grant Co., Silver City**
- Academy Animal Clinic, Albuquerque**
- DeAnza Animal Clinic, Albuquerque**

- Eubank Animal Clinic, Albuquerque**
- Manzano Animal Clinic, Albuquerque**
- Uptown Cat Hospital, Albuquerque**
- VCA-Montgomery, Albuquerque**
- VCA-Wyoming, Albuquerque**
- Mesa Vista Animal Hospital, Belen**
- Village Veterinary Hospital, Bosque Farms**
- Valverde Animal Clinic, Corrales**
- Hobbs Animal Clinic, Hobbs**
- Sunrise Veterinary Clinic, Rio Rancho**
- Animal Health Clinic, Taos**

Thank you to the following APNM volunteers who have given generous in-kind gifts, gifts of service and valuable items to be sold for cash for the organization: Karen Borch, Tita Owre, Rick & Donna Minor, Steve & Robin Tellez, Patricia Wolff, KP Products and Tom & Lynn Rymysza, Scott Keating, Deborah and Ira Schildkraut, and Stephen Ney. Finally, a sincere thank you to everyone who contributes precious time and funds to help the animals in New Mexico and everywhere!

CONGRESSIONAL SCORECARD ON ANIMAL ISSUES

106th Congress (Jan. 1999-Dec. 2000)

Courtesy Humane Society of the United States.

For more information, visit www.hsus.org

Name	Chamber	Predator Control 2000	Predator Control 1999	Steel-Jaw Traps	Dolphin Protection	Crush Videos	Cockfighting	Bear Protection	Chimp Sanctuaries	Score (%)
Joe Skeen	US House	-	-	+	-	+				12.5
Tom Udall (✓)	US House	-	-	+	+	+			+	50
Heather Wilson	US House	-	-	+	-	+				25
Jeff Bingaman	US Senate	n/a	n/a	-	+	n/a	+			40
Pete Domenici	US Senate	n/a	n/a	-	-	n/a				0

"+" = a vote for the animals; "-" = a vote against the animals; "✓" = someone who spoke on behalf of pro-animal legislation during floor debate; "n/a" means the issue was not applicable to that chamber; A blank box means the member did not vote.

APNM NEWS FROM AROUND THE STATE

UNM Campus Chapter Update

APNM's student group, Animal Protectors on Campus (APOC), has been busy this year educating the students, faculty, and community of University of New Mexico (UNM) in Albuquerque about a variety of animal issues. APOC has done tabling, has helped leaflet at the Shrine circus, has shown the film documentary "The Witness" several times, and has begun campaigning with the

Student Animal Legal Defense Fund (SALDF) to begin dialogue regarding the use of live animals at UNM medical school.

Anyone interested in any of the campaigns APOC is pursuing, please contact APOC at viki@apnm.org. You DO NOT have to be a student - anyone who wants to help is welcome!

Deming Chapter Update

The Deming Chapter celebrated the 10th anniversary of its spay/neuter program

in April 2001. A 40% discount continues to be offered to cats and dogs in Luna and Hidalgo Counties. To date, over 4,000 surgeries have been discounted. \$22,100 was paid for spay/neuter discounts in the year 2000.

A meeting was hosted in Deming on April 7 to develop a regional plan among established groups with the goal of bringing southern New Mexico and west Texas closer to becoming a no-kill region.

NM CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION

New Mexico's U.S. Senators

The Honorable Senator Jeff Bingaman
703 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510-3102

The Honorable Senator Pete Domenici
328 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510-3101

New Mexico's Representatives

The Honorable Representative Heather Wilson (1st Congressional District)
318 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Representative Joe Skeen (2nd Congressional District)
2302 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Representative Tom Udall (3rd Congressional District)
502 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

When writing Congress, you should write to both Senators (they both represent all of New Mexico), and your one Representative (depending on what part of the state you live in. In general, the 1st District is the Albuquerque area, the 2nd District is southern New Mexico, and the 3rd District is northern New Mexico).

Helping NEW MEXICO'S animals has never been so easy!

APNM ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER PROGRAM

NOW IT'S AS EASY to donate to Animal Protection of New Mexico, Inc. (APNM), as it is to pay your light bill or any of your other monthly responsibilities!

That's right - after numerous requests from members, we've implemented an automatic withdrawal plan, whereby your bank account can be debited monthly and your donation deposited directly into our account. You set the amount of the monthly withdrawal; the

bank automatically debits your account. You save bookkeeping time, and so do we.

It's a hassle-free way of making sure you remember the animals by maintaining your support of APNM.

It's also, by the way, a less painful way to contribute. Some of our monthly sustaining donors have observed that making a small donation each month is easier for them to do

Your enrollment in the APNM EFT program will ensure continued funding for important programs such as advocating for New Mexico's wildlife and domestic animals.

than writing a check for one lump sum. They say it helps them feel able to increase their level of giving.

If you wish to sign up for the automatic withdrawal plan or if you merely want more information about it, call us at 265-2322 or go to www.apnm.org. Thank you!



Take a Gamble for the Animals

Help support APNM's work by purchasing raffle tickets! Suggested donation: one ticket for \$3.00 or three tickets for \$8.00. Deadline for entries: Sept. 30, 2001. Winners will be announced in our next newsletter. For those of you receiving this newsletter electronically, please send your raffle entry check to: APNM, PO Box 11395, Albq, NM 87192. We will then send you your raffle stubs and enter you in the drawing.

FIRST PRIZE: An "Animal Portraiture" package valued at \$250; donated by APNM member, Karen Borch. (images shown are portfolio samples)

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THIRD PRIZE: Two buffalo hair pillows (hair collected from fences) valued at \$50; donated by APNM member Liane Brown.

FOURTH PRIZE: A PETA tee-shirt, valued at \$16.75; donated by People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals.

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