

DIRECTORY

The Directory Section is a continuing feature of E&A. It is a source of information on groups and periodicals concerned with ethical questions about the treatment of nonhumans. The groups and periodicals themselves provide the information, subject to space limitations and minor editing by the E&A staff.

ORGANIZATIONS

The Center to Study Human-Animal
Relationships and Environments

Box 197 Mayo Building
420 Delaware Street, S.E.
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

CENSHARE is the acronym for the Center To Study Human-Animal Relationships and Environments at the University of Minnesota.

Through CENSHARE the University of Minnesota is dedicated to a new and very promising science—the study of human-animal relationships and environments. CENSHARE seeks a better understanding of these relationships in order to improve the health, quality of life, and welfare of both humans and animals.

CENSHARE's Planning and Policy Council is a partnership of community leaders from local, state, and national organizations as well as the University of Minnesota. It brings knowledge and experience from many different disciplines and backgrounds to bear on the task of understanding and improving human-animal relationships.

CENSHARE initiates and engages in studies of human-animal relationships and environments. CENSHARE helps develop educational programs and materials about human-animal relations. CENSHARE is a resource center with information for those in government, industry, or private agencies interested in improving human-animal relationships. CENSHARE offers consulting, workshops, seminars, and other services to individuals and groups in our state and region.

CENSHARE does not have memberships but does request gifts and bequests for financial support and does give public recognition to donors and benefactors.

Friends of Washoe

Central Washington University
Ellensburg, Washington 98926

Friends of Washoe is a non-profit organization dedicated to communication

research that is beneficial for both humans and chimpanzees. Washoe, the first chimpanzee to acquire a human language, lives with four other chimpanzees who use sign at Central Washington University.

Friends of Washoe supports research including the study of chimpanzee language acquisition with continual emphasis on applications for the treatment of non-communicating children and communications problems in general.

Because we have lost federal grant support, we now rely entirely on public and private donations to continue this important research.

One of the more dramatic benefits from this research has been in developing effective treatment for non-communicating human children suffering from autism, hemiplegia, mental retardation, and other disorders.

In addition to the human benefits, this research is also making exciting findings for science. For example, Loulis, Washoe's adopted son, is acquiring signs from her and the other chimps. He is the first chimp to acquire a human language from another chimp.

Chimpanzee communication cannot be studied effectively in a box with a lever. The best communication takes place during enriching social interactions, which benefit the chimps as well as the research. At present enrichment is limited by interacting through caging, in playrooms, and on occasional outings. A proposed outdoor compound would provide the chimps with outdoor enrichment, a necessary component for their well-being as well as an enhancement of the observational research. All the human enrichment can't compare to the joy of sitting high in an apple tree on a sunny day. Please help us achieve this goal.

Members receive newsletters containing information on Washoe and her companions and on the progress of ongoing research. Annual membership is \$10.00 (student), \$25.00 (friend), \$100.00 (contributor), and \$250.00 (sustaining member). Life membership is \$1000.00 (fellow) and \$5000.00 (benefactor). All contributions are tax deductible.

The International Society for Religion and Animal Rights

Joan Beth Newman, M. Div., Director and Founder
1798 Scenic Avenue
Berkeley, California 94709

The International Society for Religion and Animal Rights (ISRAR) is an interreligious as well as an interdenominational organization. We welcome those who are formally affiliated with a religious tradition or group and those who are not affiliated in their religious perspective to be among our membership and supporters. One of the major goals of ISRAR is to raise consciousness within the religious community through education. We provide a public speakers' bureau to religious and other concerned groups, as well as tapes and other literature. We are attempting to develop curriculum and other educational materials that address the issue of animal rights within the context of a seminary program. We will

attempt to develop and encourage programs which support animal ministries, a ministry to all of the creation, as well as Animal Welfare Chairs in the seminaries. We have begun a library at the Berkeley Institute of Religion which will contain books about animals, in particular how the different religious traditions have related to animals. Donations to the library are welcome. Another long range goal is to establish a religious sanctuary for animals, modeled somewhat on the "animal homes" (homes for aged and infirm animals) of India which will have a chapel in which people can worship with their animals and in which services concerned with all of the creation will be held. We encourage petitions to and meetings with religious leaders, fasting, prayer, and other nonviolent actions to liberate animals from their suffering.

Our organization will publish a newsletter which will report on the progress of what is being done within the religious community for animal rights as well as the work of the organization itself. We are particularly interested in receiving and hearing about sermons on animal rights and liturgies which are innovative and inclusive of all the creation.

Yearly membership: Organizations - \$35.00; Individuals - \$15.00; Students, Seniors, Disabled, etc. - \$5.00; Benefactor - \$250.00.

Lifeline for Wildlife, Inc.

RR1, Box 446A
Blanchard Road
Stony Point, New York 10980

Lifeline for Wildlife, Inc. has moved to the address shown above. See E&A III/2 for complete directory entry.

ProPets

The National Coalition to Protect Our Pets, Inc.

3123 Cahuenga Boulevard West
Los Angeles, California 90068

ProPets is short-hand for The National Coalition To Protect Our Pets, Inc. The Coalition represents an unprecedented attempt by eleven major animal protection organizations to join forces and speak with one voice in opposition to "pound seizure." Charter organizations within ProPets are: The American Anti-Vivisection Society, The American Humane Association, The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Animal Protection Institute of America, Fund for Animals, Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, The Michigan Humane Society, The National Anti-Vivisection Society, and The New England Anti-Vivisection Society. ProPets will seek other animal protection organizations to become supporting members, but will not have individual memberships.

The goal of The National Coalition To Protect Our Pets is to seek legislation which will prohibit, with criminal penalties, the use and/or procurement of public or private shelter animals or other pets for any scientific purposes including, but not limited to, research, experimentation, testing, teaching and demonstration, except in the course of diagnosis or treatment necessary for the well-being of the animal. The Coalition will not advocate or condone as an alternative the use of any other source, type, or species of animal.

The address of the headquarters for ProPets is given above. The telephone number is (213) 937-PETS. The Director of ProPets is Dr. Michael A. Giannelli.

Sahabat Alam Malaysia

37 Lorong Birch
Penang
Malaysia

Sahabat Alam Malaysia (SAM - Friends of the Earth Malaysia) is a broad-based citizens' group campaigning against the deterioration of our environment. Formed in 1977, SAM is a sister organization of the Consumers' Association of Penang, and was formed as it was felt that there was an urgent need for a national organization to spearhead the campaign for the conservation of our environment.

SAM's activities cover a wide range of issues, from the depletion of our natural resources, e.g., fisheries, the indiscriminate felling of our forests, the extinction of our wildlife, water, air, and noise pollution, to water shortage and the effects of drought. We are also concerned with problems related to soil erosion, the widespread use and misuse of pesticides, the discharge of toxic effluents by industries and the dangers of nuclear energy. Our current research is on occupational health hazards, pesticides, chemicals and hazardous wastes.

Another important aspect of our work is representation of affected communities who have suffered through the carelessness of Man and Industry. Of importance are communities which are hit by pollution of their water resources from industries and oil palm mills; farmers who suffer damage to their lands and crops as a result of waste discharge from nearby factories; fishermen who are threatened by the depletion of their fish resources and who are adversely affected in their day-to-day living by environmental degradation.

We are a relatively young organization and have just started documentation of the various issues of our work areas. We are also a voluntary, non-profit making organization. We would welcome any relevant materials, articles, studies or other documents that can be made available to us.