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Special Note: If you would like to receive occasional email notifications of outreach and volunteer opportunities – and local demonstration information – please respond to julie.meskill@ocpausa.org to have your e-mail address included in a separate contact

list. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you out and about this year on behalf of the animals.

OCPA has a [Myspace.com page](#) and [Facebook page](#). We also have a meetup page: <http://www.meetup.com/OCPAUSA/>. Check them out often for the latest details on local OCPA demonstrations and other animal-related events.

Good News for the Animals!

New Program Launches, “Animal Planet Investigates”

A new Animal Planet series, “Animal Planet Investigates,” began airing on January 25th by taking a closer look at dogfighting. Future specials will examine a variety of animal protection issues including puppy mills and other issues that audiences are passionate about within the animal world.

Karley’s Murderer Found Guilty in Court

Los Angeles Assistant Fire Chief, Glynn Johnson, was found guilty of felony animal cruelty with special circumstances (maximum penalty of up to 3 years) and use of a deadly weapon to commit a felony (maximum penalty of up to 1 year), after brutally beating to death a six-month old puppy named Karley.

OCPA closely followed this case and attended several demonstrations and trial sessions at the Riverside County Superior Courthouse. Sentencing is scheduled for Monday, March 8th. For further updates about this case, visit <http://www.justice4karley.com>.

West Hollywood Bans Sale of Dogs and Cats Acquired from Mills

The West Hollywood California City Council recently voted to ban the sale of dogs and cats acquired from puppy/kitten mills. The ordinance passed unanimously, and now pet stores in the city will only be able to sell dogs and cats from shelters.

Florida County Votes to Prohibit Bullhooks at Zoo-Backed Elephant Center

In a major victory for elephants, the St. Lucie County, Florida Board of Commissioners made it very clear that the use of cruel bullhooks on elephants is not welcome in their county by imposing strict conditions on the National Elephant Center (NEC). The NEC cannot use bullhooks on elephants, must limit the number of elephants held at the center, and were encouraged to form an advisory committee to monitor elephant welfare.

Michigan State University Ends Dog Labs at Vet School

The College of Veterinary Medicine at Michigan State University will no longer require terminal surgery labs to teach veterinary students. Terminal surgery labs use healthy animals, particularly dogs, to practice surgical skills, after which the animals are killed. Ending terminal surgery labs and replacing them with more humane teaching methods allows MSU to join the majority of the 28 other veterinary medical schools in the U.S. that no longer include terminal surgeries in their curriculum. MSU will instead use sophisticated models, animal cadavers, and an increased number of spay and neuter operations which benefit animals at shelters.

Canadian School Board Approves Student Choice Policy

The Burnaby, BC School Board recently agreed to create a formal policy giving students the right to say “no” to dissection.

Russian University Ends Animal Labs

Perm State Pharmaceutical Academy in Russia recently declared an end to all animal laboratories at its school; it will instead implement humane alternatives to animal labs – joining nine other institutes of higher education in Russia.

Action Items – Your Letters/Calls Needed

Urge California Dept. of Fish & Game to Ban Bear Hunting

The California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) has proposed dramatically expanding bear hunting across the state. CDFG has recommended increasing the hunt quota from 1,700 to 2,500 bears, or eliminating a cap altogether, and expanding hunting into other areas of the state. The agency also plans to allow the use of global positioning system (GPS) collars and treeing switches on dogs while bear hunting. (A treeing switch alerts hunters when hounds have chased a bear up a tree.)

Every year, hunters legally kill more than 2,000 bears across California. An estimated 40,000 to 50,000 black bears are legally hunted each year in the US and Canada, while an unknown number are also illegally poached. Shockingly, it is legal for trophy hunters in California to chase bears with packs of hounds. More information is available here: http://www.bigwildlife.org/front_animal_page.php?page=7.

Please contact the California Fish and Game Commission by March 13th and urge them to ban bear hunting in California: California Fish and Game Commission, 1416 Ninth Street, P.O. Box 944209, Sacramento, CA 94244-2090; email: fgc@fgc.ca.gov; phone:(916) 653-4899; fax: (916) 653-5040.

Talking points to include: Trophy hunting puts additional pressures on bears, who face a host of increasing threats from poaching, habitat fragmentation and destruction, human encroachment into wildlife areas, aggressive government lethal control programs, and climate change. Black bears often scavenge for food, playing an important role in recycling carrion. Bears also help transport berry seeds. State wildlife officials have failed to assess the impacts of poaching. Illegal killing of bears has increased globally, fueled by a booming international market, for bear parts, especially bear gallbladders used in traditional Asian medicine and bear paws, considered a delicacy in soup. The state has also failed to assess the impacts of annual increases in bears killed by hunters.

You can also visit the following three sites for more information and/or to send automatic e-mails on this issue: [IDA](#), [HSUS](#), and [Born Free USA](#).

Sign Petition to Interior Secretary to Stop Wolf Slaughter

The war on wolves is getting uglier by the day. It's tragic enough that a record 402 wolves were killed last year in Idaho and Montana after their removal from the endangered species list. This is an astronomical level that amounts to one-third of the entire wolf population in those two states. To make matters worse, hunters have been employing barbaric tactics in the savage slaughter of these beautiful animals.

Visit [NRDC's site](#) for more information and to sign a petition asking Interior Secretary Salazar to put wolves back on the endangered species list where they belong.

Ask U.S. Representative to Support HR 503/S 727, Prevention of Equine Cruelty Act

Each year, tens of thousands of American horses—riding horses, carriage horses, race horses, wild horses, and children's ponies—are inhumanely transported and slaughtered, their meat shipped to places like France, Italy, and Japan for human consumption.

Purchased by slaughterhouse middlemen at auction, horses are shipped long distances in cramped trailers without food, water, or rest. The majority of these horses are young, healthy animals who could go on to lead productive lives with loving owners.

You can help end the slaughter of horses by asking your senators and representative to support The Prevention of Equine Cruelty Act (H.R. 503/S. 727). It will ban the barbaric slaughter of American horses for human consumption, including the export of live horses across our borders for slaughter.

For legislator contact information, visit <http://ocpausa.org/legislation.htm>. You can also visit the [HSUS site](#) to send an email to Congress on this issue.

Sign Petition to Support New Bill, SB 1277, to Create California Animal Abuser Registry

California Senator Dean Florez (<http://dist16.casen.govoffice.com/>) – in conjunction with the Animal League Defense Fund – has introduced a bill, SB 1277, to create a California state animal abuser registry. Any person over the age of 18 convicted of felony animal abuse would be required to register with local law enforcement, much like current registries for convicted arsonists and sex offenders. The registry would be paid for by a pet food fee/tax of approximately 3 cents/bag (\$10 annually), and any excess funds would be given to community spay/neuter programs.

Research has shown that animal abusers are five times more likely to commit violent acts against people and four times more likely to commit property damage. Each year, thousands of animals are subjected to violence, torture, mutilation, sexual abuse, animal fighting, hoarding, etc. Creating the proposed registry would help prevent animal abusers from obtaining pets and keep our communities and safer.

You can read the full text of the proposed bill here: http://info.sen.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_1277&sess=CUR&house=B&site=sen.

Please help spread the word about this important bill and protect animals in California! Sign the petition in support of this bill at <http://www.ExposeAnimalAbusers.org>.

Demand Freedom for Captive Whales at SeaWorld

The fatal attack of a trainer recently at SeaWorld, Orlando by a killer whale should come as no surprise. This was the third time this whale, Tilikum, lashed out at a human resulting in a death. It was the second time in two months that a trainer was killed by an orca at a marine park.

The response from a SeaWorld spokesperson was that they need to give these whales “more hugs and affection.” The trainer was being affectionate and rubbing Tilikum at the time of the attack...

When will humans learn that keeping wild animals in captivity causes dire consequences for both people and animals alike? Urge SeaWorld to get out of the captive whale business. Visit [IDA's action page](#) and/or [PETA's website](#) for more information and to send an e-mail to the president of the group that operates SeaWorld.

Send Strong No to Commercial Whaling

Unbelievably, the U.S. delegation to the International Whaling Commission is poised to support a deal that would be the biggest threat to whales since the moratorium to commercial whaling was established in 1986. According to the deal on the table now, even commercial whaling in the Southern Ocean Whale Sanctuary would be permitted.

Please [take action now](#) via Greenpeace's website and tell the Obama Administration that allowing commercial whaling is just NOT an option.

Recent OCPA Activities

Anti-Fur Demos at Nordstrom's – Sunday, January 24th, February 14th and February 28th at 1:00 p.m. in Costa Mesa

OCPA met in front of Nordstrom's on Sunday, January 24th, February 14th and February 28th at 1:00 p.m. at South Coast Plaza, 3333 Bristol Street, Costa Mesa, CA 92626; phone: 1-800-782-8888.

Animal advocates helped educate consumers about the plight of animals killed in the name of “fashion” distributing anti-fur literature and displaying banners and signs on the sidewalk in front of Nordstrom's. Our anti-fur campaign continues to expose the cruelty of the fur trade, which includes the torture of dogs and cats in China.

Check out the <http://www.meetup.com/ocpausa> website for the next anti-fur demonstration.

If you weren't able to attend these peaceful demonstrations, you can still help this ongoing campaign by writing a quick e-mail to Nordstrom's telling them that you oppose fur. Last year, we saw rabbit, fox, raccoon coats/jackets and fur-trimmed coats/jackets at Nordstrom. These animals do not deserve this fate; please help them.

Contact Nordstrom Corporate Offices with a polite message, "Fur just doesn't belong here. Please stop selling fur:" Nordstrom Corporate Offices, President Blake Nordstrom, 1700 Seventh Avenue, Suite 300, Seattle, WA 98101; phone: 206-373-4331; e-mail: blake.nordstrom@nordstrom.com.

For more information about similar upcoming events, visit: <http://www.meetup.com/OCPAUSA/calendar>.

International Day for the Abolition of Meat – Saturday, January 30th

OCPA met on Saturday, January 30th at McDonald's in Costa Mesa for the International Day for the Abolition of Meat. Attendees leafleted and educated the public about the cruelty, environmental destruction, and overall dangerous health effects of eating meat. They also distributed free vegan food samples.

Veggie/Vegan Luncheon/Dinner Club Meeting – Sunday, February 7th at 1:00 p.m. at Au Lac in Fountain Valley

OCPA members and friends met on Sunday, February 7th at 1:00 p.m. for the monthly veggie/vegan luncheon/dinner club meeting.

Au Lac is located at 16563 Brookhurst Street, Fountain Valley, CA 92708, at Heil Street just south of Edinger; phone: 714-418-0658.

We meet every first Sunday of the month at a different vegetarian/vegan restaurant. Stay tuned for upcoming e-alerts or visit <http://www.meetup.com/OCPAUSA> for information about more of these types of gatherings in the future.

Foie Gras Demonstrations – Various Dates and Locations in January and February

OCPA and the Animal Protection Rescue League's (APRL) foie gras campaign is still going strong. We held peaceful demonstrations on the following dates at these restaurants that continue to serve foie gras:

Saturday, January 23rd at 12:00 noon – Marche Moderne in Costa Mesa
Friday, February 5th at 7:00 p.m. – The Winery in Tustin
Saturday, February 13th at 12:00 noon – Marche Moderne in Costa Mesa
Friday, February 19th at 12:00 noon – Hush and French 75 in Laguna Beach
Saturday, February 27th at 12:00 noon – Marche Moderne in Costa Mesa

Southern California animal rights activists, combined with OCPA and Animal Protection and Rescue League (APRL), began a six-week campaign in January against the serving of foie gras as a "delicacy" in Orange County restaurants. The "86 Foie Gras Campaign" was directed toward five high-end Orange County restaurants: Hush, Pascal, French 75, The Winery and Marche Moderne.

Foie gras is produced by force-feeding lard and other matter through a rough steel pipe shoved down ducks' throats three times a day. The intent is to overfeed the ducks until their livers swell to ten times their normal size. The swollen and diseased livers are then served as a delicacy called "foie gras." The ducks suffer intense pain and severe injuries that often result in ruptured organs. This practice is so injurious and debilitating to the ducks and geese that they are unable to walk or stand.

The 86 Foie Gras Campaign is an opportunity for California consumers to educate restaurateurs about this cruel and inhumane practice and request the sale of it stop now. The campaign asks local activists to either send educational letters or call the restaurants to voice their concerns about the issue, or to attend the peaceful protests to help raise awareness of this issue.

OCPA and APRL, along with many So. Cal. activists, have successfully convinced a number of local restaurants to take foie gras off of their menus, including Five Feet, The Sky Room, DaVinci's, Mr. A's, Hammamori, and Laurel's. Foie gras is not just unhealthy for the ducks; humans who eat the diseased liver are consuming a near toxic food that is 85% fat.

For more information and updates about the schedule of events, visit <http://www.meetup.com/OCPAUSA/>.

Save the Orangutans – Friday, February 12th at 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. in Irvine

OCPA hosted a Save the Orangutans educational event on Friday, February 12th at 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Goddess Temple of Orange County, 17905 Sky Park Circle, Suite A, Irvine, CA 92614.

Michelle Desilets talked about protecting the natural habitat of orangutans and other ways to help orangutans. More information about her organization, the Borneo Orangutan Survival Foundation, can be found at <http://www.savetheorangutan.org.uk/>.

This event was free (donations accepted) and refreshments were also provided.

UCLA Panel Discussion – Tuesday, February 16th 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. at UCLA

With the goal of opening an ongoing dialog between individuals who are in favor or against the use of animals in biomedical research, UCLA Bruins for Animals and Pro-Test for Science participated in a panel discussion on this complex topic entitled *Perspectives on the Science and Ethics of Animal-Based Research*. This event occurred on Tuesday, February 16th between 6:00 and 8:00 p.m. at UCLA, Covel Commons.

This event was structured to maximize the opportunity to engage in a civil, intellectually honest discussion on issues about which people hold passionate, differing opinions. Three panelists on each side will briefly present their personal views on the topic, followed by moderator-driven discussion and questions from the audience. The event was moderated by David Lazarus of the Los Angeles Times.

The panel participants were:

Janet D. Stemwedel, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Philosophy, San Jose State University. Professor Stemwedel will discuss her views about the ethical issues around animal use in scientific research.

Ray Greek, M.D., President of Americans for Medical Advancement. Dr. Greek will discuss his views about the use of animals to predict human response.

Colin Blakemore, FMedSci FRS, Professor of Neuroscience, Oxford University. Professor Blakemore will discuss his views on the role of animal research in medicine and public health.

Niall Shanks, Ph.D., Professor of History and Philosophy of Science, Wichita State University. Professor Shanks will discuss the /prediction problem/ in biomedical research.

Dario L. Ringach, Ph.D., Professor of Neurobiology and Psychology, University of California, Los Angeles. Professor Ringach will present his views on the role of basic science in driving medical advancement and knowledge.

Robert Jones, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, California State University, Chico. Professor Jones will discuss the philosophical and ethical implications of using nonhuman animals as subjects in medical and scientific research.

For more information about the debate, visit: <http://www.bruinsforanimals.org>.

Farm Sanctuary Photo Show – Friday, February 19th at 6:30 p.m. in Huntington Beach

The Farm Sanctuary hosted a photo show on Friday, February 19th at 6:30 p.m. at the Good to Go Restaurant, 5930 Warner Avenue, Huntington Beach, CA 92649.

The special photo exhibit starred the animals from Farm Sanctuary in Orland, California. Framed photos were available for \$25 and under, and 20% of every sale went toward rescuing farm animals. The event featured live music, art, food, and good friends.

Dr. Will Tuttle Speech – Saturday, March 6th at 2:00 p.m. in San Juan Capistrano

Dr. Will Tuttle, author of the "World Peace Diet," spoke on Saturday, March 6th at 2:00 p.m. about the invisible connections between our meals and our broad range of problems—psychological, social, and spiritual, as well as health and environmental.

Dr. Tuttle is known for his inspiring presentations that often include original piano music, as well as beautiful animal paintings by his spouse, Madeleine, visionary Swiss artist.

Attendees enjoyed this enlightening speech, refreshments and an opportunity to meet like-minded new friends. This event was held at the Center for Spiritual Living, 32261 Camino Capistrano, Suite D-105, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675; <http://www.cslcv.org>.

Veggie/Vegan Luncheon/Dinner Club Meeting – Sunday, March 7th at 6:00 p.m. at Bo De Tinh Tam Chay in Westminster

OCPA members and friends met on Sunday, March 7th at 6:00 p.m. for the monthly veggie/vegan luncheon/dinner club meeting.

The group met at Bo De Tinh Tam Chay, 15352 Beach Blvd., Westminster, CA 92683 (at McFadden Avenue); phone: 714-891-4455. (Note: This is their newer location off of Beach and the 405, with the other restaurant located closer to Magnolia and Bolsa).

We meet every first Sunday of the month at a different vegetarian/vegan restaurant. Stay tuned for upcoming e-alerts or visit <http://www.meetup.com/ocpausa> for information about more of these types of gatherings in the future.

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Meatout Event – Thursday, March 18th– OCPA Hosting Professional Vegan Body Builder, Kenneth Williams, 7:00 p.m. at Yoga Works in Costa Mesa

OCPA is proud to host professional vegan body builder, Kenneth Williams, in honor of this year's annual Meatout event on Thursday, March 18th at 7:00 p.m. at Yoga Works in Costa Mesa. Kenneth will discuss "Deconstructing the Meat and Animal Protein Myth."

Yoga Works is located at 1835 Newport Blvd., Costa Mesa, CA 92627; phone: (949) 642-7400.

Note: Food will be provided for this event.

Please RSVP via the <http://www.meetup.com/ocpausa/> website. Call or email Charlotte with any questions: char684@aol.com; phone: (847) 421-9875.

Other Meatout events will occur on or around March 20th throughout all 50 U.S. states and two dozen other countries publicizing the benefits of plant-based eating. Observed annually since 1985, this year marks Meatout's 25th anniversary. Activities include leafleting, information tables, exhibits, feed-ins, video screenings, walks, festivals, and more. This year's theme is "Eat for Life – Live Vegan!"

You can also host an outreach activity in your area... it's a great way to inspire your friends, family, and community members to save animals, protect the environment, and improve their health. Visit the Action Center at <http://www.meatout.org/action.htm> for ideas, materials and other events in your area.

The Future of Animal Law Conference – Friday – Sunday, April 9-11th at Harvard Law School

Attorneys, law students, professors, and activists from around the world will convene at Harvard Law School for ALDF's "Future of Animal Law" conference, held from Friday to Sunday on April 9-11th. Sponsored by the Animal Legal Defense Fund, this conference will explore vital issues relative to animal law and activism.

For more information about the conference, visit: <http://www.aldf.org/article.php?list=type&type=156>.

Animal Liberation Forum – Thursday – Sunday, April 15-18th at CSU in Long Beach

Last spring, Cease Animal Torture (CAT) launched their first ever Animal Liberation Forum in April 2009 at California State University Long Beach. CAT's Forum was the first conference concerning animal rights in all of CSULB's 60-year history. Earthlings Director, Shaun Monson, Stewart Soloman from Vegan Outreach, Greg Kelly co-founder of Win Animal Rights (WAR), Nik Hensey from No Compromise, and Dr. Jerry Vlasak MD were some of the amazing speakers that participated. Several animal rights organizations including veganTHIS, OCPA and North American Animal Liberation Press Office (NAALPO) tabled the event as well.

CAT will be holding its second annual Animal Liberation Forum on Thursday, April 15th through Sunday, April 18th at CSU in Long Beach.

Two of OCPA's board members, Dina Kourda and Charlotte Cressey, will both speak at this forum about the impact of factory farming on the environment and the benefits of adopting a plant-based diet. If you would like to volunteer or get involved with planning for the AL Forum 2010, please send an email to: animalliberationforum@yahoo.com.

“Do Unto Others” Animals and Religion Conference – Friday, April 16th at 9:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Chapman University in Orange

Titled, “*Troubling Recognition: Seeing Animals, Seeing Ourselves*,” the second annual “Do Unto Others” Conference will be held on Friday, April 16th between 9:30 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. at the Chapman University in Orange.

This conference invites scholarly, religious and activist reflection on the mutually transforming possibilities of seeing and being seen by other animals. The keynote speaker at this event is Paul Berry, longtime animal advocate and former CEO of Best Friends Animal Society. The day will consist of presentations, panels and opportunities that enrich understanding and inform advocacy.

Registration opens in February. For a preliminary schedule and other information, visit: <http://www.animalsreligion.org/conferences.htm> or contact animalsandreligion@gmail.com.

This conference is sponsored by Interreligious Voices for Animal Compassion (IVAC), <http://www.animalsreligion.org>. Interreligious Voices for Animal Compassion promotes advocacy and compassionate living on behalf of animals by engaging with a variety of religious, ethical, philosophical, and spiritual perspectives, recognizing that religion and spirituality play a significant role in shaping how humans understand and treat other living beings. Our goal is to engage the hearts and minds of people of faith, scholars, faith leaders, and activists on issues facing non-human animals in order to expand the circle of compassion beyond human beings, and to empower faithful action.

Worldfest – Sunday, May 16th at Woodley Park in Encino

This year's Worldfest will be held on Sunday, May 16th at Woodley Park in Encino between 10:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. WorldFest is a solar-powered celebration of music, the environment, animals and humanity – helping people learn what they can do for the earth and its inhabitants.

The WorldFest 2010 Earth Day Festival will again be held at the beautiful outdoor setting of Woodley Park in Encino, CA. Attendees can enjoy a magnificent day filled with entertainment, education and enlightenment. The combination of great music, empowering speakers, environmental, humanitarian and

animal welfare non-profits, kids' activities and a delicious food court make for an earth-friendly experience that is sure to be inspiring and enjoyable for all.

For more information, visit: <http://worldfestevents.com/>.

AR East Conference – July 15-19th in Washington, DC

Join the Animal Rights 2010 National Conference, the world's largest and longest-running annual gathering of animal activists – this year held on the East Coast between July 15th and 19th at the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center Hotel in Washington, DC.

This summer's event features more than 100 sessions (plenaries, workshops, raps, reports); concurrent tracks on animal abuse, organizing, tactics, ideology; eyewitness reports on the whale wars and other key campaigns; nearly a hundred speakers from 60 organizations (all viewpoints on animal liberation represented); talks by leaders of other social justice movements; awards to national, grassroots, young activists; extensive learning and networking opportunities; 90 exhibits (free to visitors); and 80 videos (including "Skin Trade" premiere).

For more information and/or to register for this event, visit: <http://www.arconference.org/>.

Thank you for everything you do for the animals!

Orange County People for Animals is a Southern California-based 501(c)3 non-profit animal advocacy organization founded in 1988 to help create a compassionate, healthy and peaceful planet for all living beings.

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