

**IN MEMORIAM:
IRENE EVANS**

It is with deep regret that we note the passing in early July of Irene Evans, a charter member of The HSUS and a member of its board of directors.

With her late husband, Oliver M. Evans, she was a life-long champion of the humane treatment of animals. Both were active in social, civic, and charitable organizations in St. Louis County, Missouri. They moved to the District of Columbia in 1963, when Mr. Evans left the HSUS board of directors to become its first president. He served in that capacity until 1967, from which time, until his death in 1975, he again served as a director.

Mrs. Evans was elected to complete her husband's unexpired term and continued as director until her death. It was through her generosity that HSUS headquarters in Washington was named the Oliver M. Evans Memorial Building. She was a dear friend of all animals and will not be forgotten.



Irene Evans



Astrid Lindgren meets The HSUS's John A. Hoyt in Sweden.

**ASTRID LINDGREN
HONORED BY HSUS**

Known best as the author of the children's books about Pippy Longstocking, Astrid Lindgren has demonstrated the power of the pen in Swedish affairs in writing extensively on the plight of farm animals. It is largely through her efforts that a strong Swedish animal-welfare law was passed in October 1988. The *Lex Astrid*, as it has been called, has been heralded internationally as a great advance for animals. The reforms it mandates are some of the best of the animal-protection efforts currently gaining momentum throughout Western Europe.

In 1990 The HSUS was pleased and honored to present a special Joseph Wood Krutch Medal to Astrid Lindgren in recognition of her efforts on behalf of the animals in her native country and for the tremendous influence her books have had.

Because it was not possible for Mrs. Lindgren to attend the HSUS annual conference in San Francisco, California, last year, the presentation was made at the U.S. Embassy in Stockholm on February 1, 1991.

**OPENING A
DIALOGUE**

In a welcome departure from the current "cold war" prevailing between animal protectionists and animal researchers, The HSUS recently proved that cooperative ventures with at least some elements of the biomedical community are still possible. On May 31, The HSUS and the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) cosponsored a symposium, "Alternatives to the Animal Model in Exercise Science Research and Teaching," as part of the ACSM's annual conference, held this year in Orlando, Florida. The ACSM is a professional society made up of more than 12,000 physicians, physical therapists, educators, and others

in the sports-medicine and exercise-science fields.

Dr. Martin L. Stephens, vice president of the HSUS Laboratory Animals Department, delivered the symposium's opening address, "The Importance of Dialogue Between the Animal Protectionist and Animal Research Communities." He discussed The HSUS's policy and approach to animal-research issues; decried the worsening polarization on these issues between the animal-protection and biomedical communities; and described the "three Rs" approach to animal research—refinement, reduction, and replacement—as a pragmatic framework for narrowing the gap between the ani-



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Recently, the HSUS Scientific Advisory Council met in Washington, D.C. (see the inside front cover). Among the participants were (from left to right) internist and emergency-medicine specialist Jennifer Leaning, M.D., M.S. Hyg.; developmental psychologist Frank R. Ascione, Ph.D.; and psychiatrist Ruth A. Barron, M.D. Other members of the new council are computer scientist Colleen Crangle, Ph.D.; psychologist Patricia A. Knowles, Ph.D.; radiologist Caroline Lundell, M.D.; veterinarian Richard H. McCapes, D.V.M.; child psychiatrist Les Nyman, M.D.; anesthesiologist Roger D. White, M.D.; and neurologist David O. Wiebers, M.D., the chairman.



Retiring HSUS vice president Phyllis Wright has served the society for more than twenty years.

**A TRIBUTE TO
PHYLLIS WRIGHT**

In every generation, there are a few people whose vision and determination establish the agenda for the many. It is not always apparent who these people are, for often their message and influence are only understood and appreciated in hindsight, fulfilled through the words and actions of others.

It is, of course, not possible to avoid being influenced by Phyllis Wright if you are even remotely in her vicinity. It is not always at that moment that the real impact of her character and passion is felt, but rather, later, in their multiplication in those who, once her students, become ambassadors of her caring concern and persistent determination. No advocate for animals

has been more dedicated or devoted to her calling than Phyllis Wright, and few will be her peers in the years ahead. She has inspired and motivated an army of people who have joined the battle of those seeking to free animals from abuse and suffering and create a world in which cruelty is replaced by compassion.

We shall miss you, Phyllis. But your presence shall hardly escape us. Not only have you challenged our minds and inflamed our spirits, but you have also made an imprint on our hearts so indelible that you will be one with us always.—John A. Hoyt, president

Phyllis Wright will serve as HSUS special consultant for the "Until There Are None, Adopt One" campaign.

mal-protection and scientific communities.

He argued that, whenever feasible, they should work together to develop research alternatives that would lessen the animal subjects' pain or suffering (refinement), lessen the numbers of animals needed (re-

duction), or replace the need for animals altogether (replacement).

In October 1989, an HSUS staff member wrote to a sports-medicine researcher to criticize his research and to suggest concrete alternatives to his use of animals. A copy of the letter was sent to then-ACSM presi-

dent Barbara Drinkwater. Instead of dismissing the matter out of hand, Dr. Drinkwater was intrigued by the possible applications of nonanimal methods to sports-medicine research. She contacted The HSUS about its constructive criticism and broached the idea of the symposium. The way was then clear for The HSUS to help organize and underwrite the first meeting.

"I'm hoping that the ACSM-HSUS symposium is an indication that the cold war over animal-research issues is starting to thaw and that constructive dialogue will become more commonplace," observed Dr. Stephens.

**KLM JOINS THE
"GREEN" LIST**

As of July 15, KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, the largest shipper of wild birds to the United States, banned transportation of wild-caught birds exported from South America, Africa, and Asia. We thank all members who responded to our request to urge KLM to stop shipping birds (see the Summer 1991 *HSUS News*). The HSUS has long been concerned about the capture and transport of exotic birds to the United States for the pet trade because of the tremendous suffering it causes. We are pleased that KLM has joined the growing list of "green" airlines that have stopped transporting wild-caught birds: Lufthansa, Aerolineas Argentinas, British Airways, Northwest Airlines, Federal Express, Austrian Airlines, Garuda Indonesia Airlines, United Airlines, Air

France, TWA, Challenge Air Cargo, Iceland Air, and Swiss Air. In response to the many letters from HSUS members, Delta Airlines has agreed to stop shipping wild birds, except those destined for zoos. We urge you to thank the airlines for their compassionate and far-reaching actions. Contact The HSUS for the addresses of airlines that continue to ship wild-caught birds.

**TOYS FROM SEARS
FOR THE HSUS**

The Sears Roebuck and Company "wish book" that appeared in September features HSUS plush toy animals (pictured below) on page 382. The HSUS receives 8 percent of the wholesale price for every toy sold. Toys can be purchased only through the catalog or by phone (credit card orders only, 1-800-366-3000). The program's success will determine the future of HSUS programs with Sears.

