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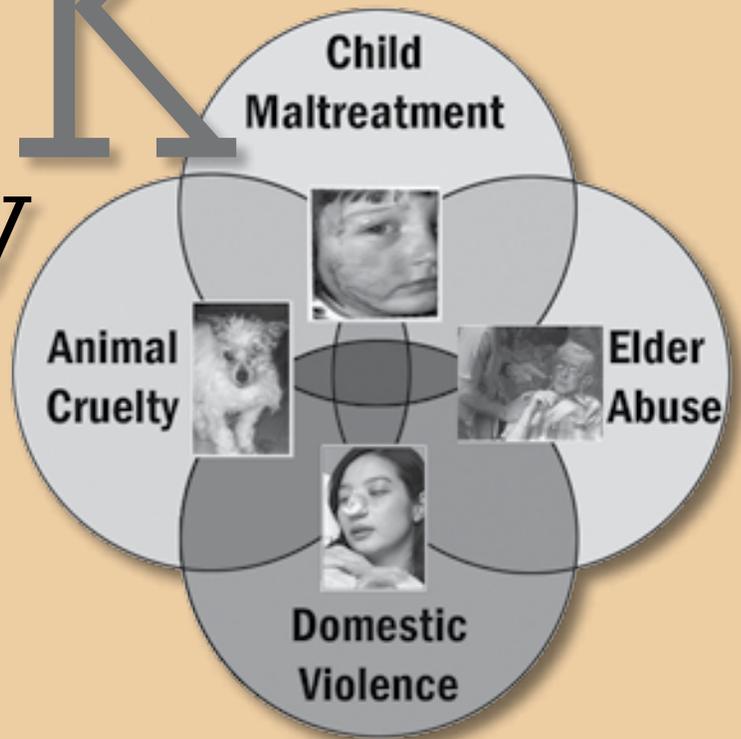
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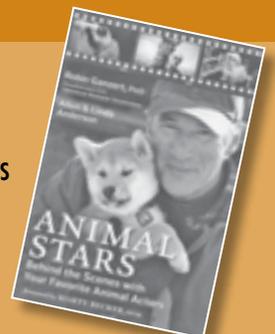
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Hugh H. Tebault III,
Latham Foundation's
President

Philosophy of a successful organization

To reach the most people with the values of humane education, the showing of respect toward animals and others, it takes a group of successful organizations who touch their own part of our society. The success of each of these units drives the success of the humane education outreach. This is just as true in California as it is in Iowa, Spain, Mexico, Canada or Australia. The uniqueness of each community is that they tend to share common values with their own neighbors, and by highlighting the humane education message locally, it will become much more accepted as part of the community standards.

An organization will be successful by giving its members (employees and/or volunteers) a reason to want to be there and by providing clear organizational roles, showing respect to all and helping them be successful by having a product that customers want (profit or non-profit) and by supplying the means to successfully grow through the various stages that organizations naturally go through – from their beginning stages to a mature organization.

1. A shared reason for being and knowing their roles.

- a. *Sharing a single vision is critical for the members of the organization to be successful. This does not mean everyone has a single vision, but that they pledge themselves to help grow the organization and show respect to the common vision that the current leadership in the organization provides.*
- b. *Knowing the roles and responsibilities is important to ensure clear communication leading to successful accomplishments for the group. Common respect of all is shown and no friction is created adversely impacting the organization or its members.*

2. Having a product customers want.

- a. *Sharing the vision with the public in a way that they*

want to participate in the product by supporting your organization is another key to success. Whether it is a tangible product (the iPhone) or simply a non-tangible goal (reducing cancer), it will not succeed without customers who will trade money or their time for the product or goal.

- b. *Consistency and reliability of the product is key for customers, and the outreach message should bring in newer customers. A balance of attracting new customers along with retaining your current customers is important for company longevity.*

3. Means to grow from a startup to maturity.

- a. *A startup may be successful but fail to grow by refusing to change. Often this occurs because the person who spearheaded the startup is not suited to allow it to grow beyond their direct control. A wise organization will allow changes and adapt to a growing vision of the future, planning for each additional step in the growth.*
- b. *The growth of the vision then depends on the members of the organization respectfully sharing with each other to modify the common vision and continue to make it successful over time. This feedback is important for the organization's health and growth. A smart organization may use an ongoing feedback method of listening to department leaders and promoting other key members to continue to grow the vision.*

I see strong parallels to this successful organization in the classic American society, which first and foremost identifies itself as American – then encourages respectful individual uniqueness within its sub-cultures to thrive. That is in direct

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Letter to the Editor

Our volunteer team at 2nd Chance 4 Pets commends the Latham Foundation for recognizing the importance of planning for pets should they outlive their human companions. The information provided in the Summer 2014 *Latham Letter* article "M.A.A.P. Lifesaving Steps for Your Pet" is excellent.

I would like to refer your readers to our website, www.2ndchance4pets.org, where they can find the "pet care instructions workbook" and print free emergency ID cards. Our website also provides additional resources, links to webinars, and articles to help plan for the lifetime care of pets.



Kind regards,
 Amy Shever
 Executive Director, 2nd Chance 4 Pets

Editor's note: For additional information on 2nd Chance for Pets, see the Summer, 2009 *Latham Letter*. You can view or print PDFs of all back issues at www.Latham.org.

Apologies to Doggone Safe Photo Contest Winner Marie Nolan and her granddaughter Kayla.



The photo caption that appeared in the Summer, 2014 issue should have read "Kayla and Registered Therapy Dog Jasmine."

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contrast to the unsuccessful multi-cultural model where everyone is encouraged to focus on their differences causing ongoing friction and divisions.

I also see this in other cultures. Having lived in Holland, I experienced their strong sense of respect of others and a strong Dutch culture that lifts spirits and honors the uniqueness of the various new members of their country to thrive. I have had the honor to know citizens of several other countries – and through their actions, I believe this strong sense of a national identity and showing respect to others is alive and well many places on our Earth.

That echos the many years that the Latham Foundation International Poster Contest brought in tens of thousands of humane education centered posters from countries around the globe. The desire to live and teach humane education is not an American goal – it is truly a common trait that helps our varied societies be more successful.

The successful organization has members who clearly identify themselves first as part of the organization as a whole, and then by their own personal traits they bring to make the organization successful. They operate as one cohesive group, not a loosely associated group of individuals all making individual decisions. They also are proud to bring in new people – sharing with them the common vision, and encouraging the new members to help grow and participate in expanding the vision. As in the American model, it is important to inculcate the new members with the common vision so they want to make it their own as well. The members of such an organization actively show respect to everyone.

A multi-cultural model pits groups against each other and is often driven by another agenda which divides and destroys the success of those individuals working together. The wise organization will have the means to spot this divisive problem and resolve it.





The Link in New Mexico: Working to eliminate all forms of family violence

By Tammy Fiebelkorn

The Forming Positive Links Committee has been hard at work raising awareness about, and bringing solutions to, the problem of family violence in New Mexico. Since our last update to Latham Letter readers four years ago, we have seen major improvements in our state and continue to press for more positive change. In the past several years, the public awareness about The Link Between Animal Abuse and Human Violence has increased in our state, which has led to some wonderful new programs and collaborations, each with the goal of reducing all forms of family violence.

Innovations and Improvements in New Mexico

When Link-related outreach and education efforts started in New Mexico a decade ago, there were virtually no resources available to focus on The Link in our state. Things have definitely changed for the better in New Mexico since then! We are very proud that we now have the following resources available:

- Bernalillo County Animal Cruelty Task Force:** A successful collaboration between Bernalillo County Sheriff’s Department, Bernalillo County Animal Control Officers and NMDOG, a nonprofit dog rescue, has been formed and is proving highly successful in helping ensure the safety of humans and companion animals in Bernalillo County. The animal control and sheriff’s officers work collaboratively on abuse cases, including those with other types of family violence involved. Additionally, the officers conduct “neighborhood sweeps” looking for law violations or situations where help is needed. NMDOG gets involved when an animal needs a new home or when a guardian needs help with improving the situation for the animal in the home.
- Animal CSI:** The Dona Ana County Sheriff’s Department has a unique and innovative team of law enforcement professionals that focus on animal cruelty cases. The team includes criminal investigators as well as a forensic veterinarian. This team of professionals provides services in animal cruelty cases in Dona Ana County, as well as helping with investigations statewide when needed.
- Animal Therapy Availability:** New Mexico has several counselors certified in AniCare and AniCare Child therapy. This puts New Mexico in an excellent position to have cruelty offenders receive the therapy they need to learn why their behavior was wrong, re-install empathy and ensure fewer repeat offenses.
- Domestic Violence (DV) Shelters Housing Companion Animals:** There are now 3 domestic violence shelters in New Mexico that provide on-site housing for companion animals. We expect this number to continue to grow, allowing more victims to safely escape while ensuring the safety of all their family members – including companion animals.

- **Companion Animal Rescue Effort (CARE) Program:** Funds were allocated during the 2014 legislative session to provide a revamping of the statewide CARE Program. This inventive program, using the state funding, is being designed by New Mexico Coalition Against Domestic Violence (NMCADV), Animal Protection of New Mexico (APNM) and Children, Youth and Families Division (CYFD). The program will help domestic violence victims safely remove their companion animals from the home and place them in safe care in a number of foster situations statewide.

Lots of Work Remains for the Forming Positive Links Committee

Despite all these superb new programs and resources, there is still much to do. The Forming Positive Links Committee (FPLC), an all volunteer group, continues to push for more ways to protect both humans and companion animals from violence. The FPLC was formed to provide training to professionals, educate the public, advocate for policies and lobby for laws to better protect all family members from violence. FPLC members are committed to ensuring that animal abusers receive the treatment they need to re-install empathy, all abuse victims are protected and that all forms of family violence are taken seriously by law enforcement. The FPLC works on a variety of initiatives to further our goal of reducing family violence in our state:

New Mexico Conference On The Link Between Animal Abuse and Human Violence: September 22, the 10th annual New Mexico Conference on The Link Between Animal Abuse and Human Violence was held in Albuquerque. Approximately 200 experts in the fields of animal control & sheltering, veterinary care, social services, law enforcement, juvenile justice and counseling came together with teachers, lawyers, judges, animal advocates, child advocates and domestic violence workers to learn about The Link and explore ways to work together, identifying and stopping all forms of family violence in New Mexico.

The conference was a one-day event offering continuing education credits for law enforcement personnel, veterinarians, attorneys and social workers. For the past four years, ASPCA has been the title sponsor and CYFD has

provided funding as well. In 2014, sponsorships were also provided by eSolved, Inc., RedRover, NMDOG, Native America Humane Society, Crone Productions, Bernalillo County, New Mexico Attorney General's Office and the Animal Law Section of the New Mexico State Bar. Several individuals also provided sponsorship for the conference: Frank Cullen, Barbara Herbert, Nina Knapp, Anne Martinez, Paul Roybal and Tamara Ward.

We have been lucky to attract world-renowned experts to speak at the conference over the years. In 2014, Dr. Randall Lockwood of ASPCA was the keynote speaker. We had many other excellent speakers including Diana Webster of the Native America Humane Society, Paul Needham from the Oklahoma Department of Human Services and Nuria Querol Viñas, MD, a medical doctor from Spain who focuses on Link-related issues in Spain and South America, plus many others.

Forming Positive Links Website: This year, RealTime Solutions, a local website design company, donated a website for our committee – www.thelinknm.com. This website allows us to provide information to the public about The Link, and also serves as the registration hub for our annual conference. We hope to grow the website to become a clearinghouse of information on all Link-related topics in New Mexico.

Deadly Link Documentary: Crone Productions is currently working on a full-length documentary film called "The Deadly Link." This film will focus on the intersection of animal abuse and domestic violence. The FPLC has been involved in the production of this film since its beginning in 2012. We look forward to the completion of the film and see "The Deadly Link" as an

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invaluable resource in our efforts to increase public awareness of The Link. (For more information on the film, visit www.thedeadlylink.com)

Link Awareness by Government Bodies: The Link has grown in awareness among state and local elected officials in the past several years. In 2010, the New Mexico State Legislature passed a joint memorial designating February 10th as Link Awareness Day in New Mexico. This year, the Albuquerque City Council proclaimed September to be Link Awareness Month in the city of Albuquerque. This type of support from elected officials increases public awareness of this issue and supports our work to train and educate more people on what they can do to fight The Link.

Link and Link-related Trainings:

FPLC has reached a record number of people this year with training on The Link. We have provided trainings to the following:

Bernalillo County Youth Services Center (YSC) Staff – FPLC members Tamara Ward and Tammy Fiebelkorn partnered with Bernalillo County Animal Control Staff to provide a training to all YSC staff members that covered an introduction to The Link, an overview of therapy options and treatments for cruelty offenders and an exploration of ways that YSC staff can work with others in the community to support and treat young offenders. This training was highly successful, and resulted in many staff members who had never thought of animal cruelty as a real problem acknowledging that it is, and vowing to include animal-related questions in intake forms and during therapy sessions.

New Mexico Humane Conference – This was the fourth year that Tammy Fiebelkorn, Chair of the FPLC, was invited to speak on The Link at this conference. This conference has provided us with the opportunity to speak to many people from throughout New Mexico who are in a position to help with Link-related activities including animal shelter staff, veterinarians, shelter volunteers and animal control officers.

Uniting New Mexicans Against Adult Abuse Conference – 2014 was the first time The Link has been discussed at this 22-year-old conference. The audience for the presentation by Tammy Fiebelkorn included adult protective services, elder caregivers, elder care volunteers and domestic violence shelter employees. This presentation resulted in some interesting new connections and potential future collaborations, and FPLC has already been invited back for next year's conference.

Bernalillo Family Court Judges and Staff – Tammy Fiebelkorn was invited to provide a presentation on The Link to Bernalillo Family Court Judges and Staff. This training introduced some attendees to The Link for the first time, and follow-ups with several attendees are planned to explore the possibility of including animal abuse questions in the court intake forms.

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New Mexico Bar Association – Animal Law Section – Tammy Fiebelkorn spent a morning at one of the monthly Animal Law Section meetings introducing The Link concept to attendees and discussing possible legal changes needed to improve the safety of all family members during violent situations. This presentation resulted in some very important collaborations, including a first time sponsorship of the NM Conference on The Link by the Animal Law Section this year.

University of New Mexico Law School – Tammy Fiebelkorn gave an introduction to The Link to the Animal Law class at the UNM School of Law this year. This presentation was well-received, and led to four students volunteering their time on Link-related projects. Two worked directly for the FPLC on a research project to determine reporting requirements and disallowances for various professions



when animal, child, DV or elder abuse is suspected. The other two students are working on the NM Animal Court taskforce (more info below).

New Mexico Injury Prevention Coalition Annual Conference – Tammy Fiebelkorn was the keynote speaker at the 2014 NMIPC Annual Conference. She provided an overview of The Link, with an emphasis on Native lands. Tammy also participated in a panel discussion about reducing violence in Native American communities. This was the first time The Link has been included on the agenda for this annual conference. The information was well-received, and several follow-up meetings have been scheduled to discuss the possibility of working together more in native communities to combat The Link.

Animal Court Taskforce: FPLC is currently working with judges, law enforcement and other interested parties to develop an animal court in Bernalillo County. This Animal Court has a planned start date in late 2015, and will hear misdemeanor animal cruelty cases. The goal is to have a treatment-based approach to these cases that ensures that offenders receive therapy to minimize repeat offenses.

Animal Therapy Referral Service: FPLC members are focused on a project to provide an Animal Therapy Referral Service to courts throughout the state. While we already have several AniCare and AniCare Child certified therapists in New Mexico, courts are not utilizing them on a regular basis. This referral service will provide courts with one phone number to call to get an offender into court-ordered therapy. The FPLC will then assign the person to a local therapist and handle all compliance/noncompliance paperwork with the court. Our hope is that this referral service will make the process simpler for the courts, and result in higher numbers of court-ordered therapy.

As you can see, the FPLC has a lot of work ahead! But, all the volunteers serving on this committee are dedicated to reducing family violence in all forms. Each member of the committee shares a vision of a New Mexico where all family members are free from abuse and receive the care – both physical and mental – they need. We will continue to develop unique community collaborations to focus on The Link, press for more policies and laws to protect everyone from violence and work with the court system to reach cruelty offenders with therapy.

Author Tammy Fiebelkorn is the President of eSolved, Inc., an environmental and business consulting firm. She is also the Chairperson for the Forming Positive Links Committee, a volunteer group dedicated to educating the public about The Link between Animal Abuse and Human Violence and providing training to domestic violence workers, social workers, animal control officers and others about this issue.

She organizes the annual New Mexico Conference on The Link between Animal Abuse and Human Violence, and represents New Mexico on the National Link Coalition. She dedicates time to legislative efforts to increase the protection of the environment and animal rights and was instrumental in the passage of ordinances in Boulder and Estes Park, CO that prohibit the exhibition of wild and exotic animals as well as legislation to create New Mexico's Link Awareness Day. Ms. Fiebelkorn lives with her furry and feathered kids – Four senior Mutts and Mr. T, a 60-year-old parrot – in Albuquerque.



(left to right) Tammy Fiebelkorn (FPLC Chair), Jeanette Baca (NM Coalition Against Domestic Violence) and Sharon Jonas (Animal Protection of New Mexico) pose with the Link Awareness Proclamation awarded by the Albuquerque City Council in September 2014.

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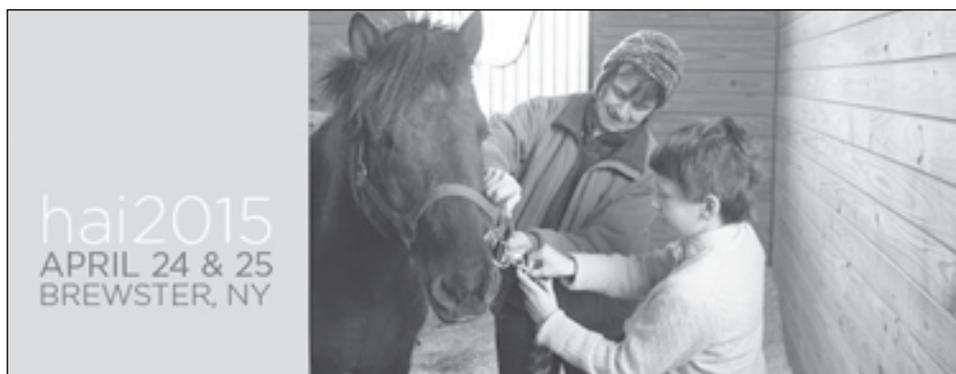
April is a BIG month for conferences.

Not only does **APHE (Association of Professional Humane Educators) meet in Arizona April 22-24**, but these other two conferences, which are sure to be of interest to animal welfare professionals, are also scheduled for April.

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Progress: Animal Cruelty Legislation

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Progress: 39 Community Coalitions

* Excerpts from Biennial Report from the 2014 National Link Coalition Summit, Mesa, Arizona



Progress: Domestic Violence Prevention

In 2008 there were only **eight** pet-friendly domestic violence shelters. Today there are **86**.

In 2006 only **three** states included pets in violence protection orders. Today **29** states include them.



Progress: 202 Link Trainings between 2012 and 2014

Major Link Publications

"The topic of animal cruelty may seem unimportant in the face of events like the Boston bombing, school shootings, and other recent tragedies, but we know there's a history of animal cruelty in the backgrounds of many perpetrators of violent acts.

"Understanding this link between animal cruelty and interpersonal violence is critical to the Department of Justice."

– *Mary Leary, Acting Assistant Attorney General, U.S. Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs in establishing the US DOJ Working Group on Animal Cruelty*

HOPE FOR THE FUTURE

"Measures to prevent, prosecute and punish animal cruelty are just as beneficial to Man as they are to Man's Best Friend."

– *Abigail Perdue Wake Forest Univ. School of Law*



Progress: Law Enforcement/Criminal Justice

The National Sheriffs Association dedicated an issue of its magazine to the Link and launched the National Law Enforcement Center on Animal Abuse.

Police in Kobe, Japan launched an animal abuse hotline.

Ten states have mandated elder abuse reporting.

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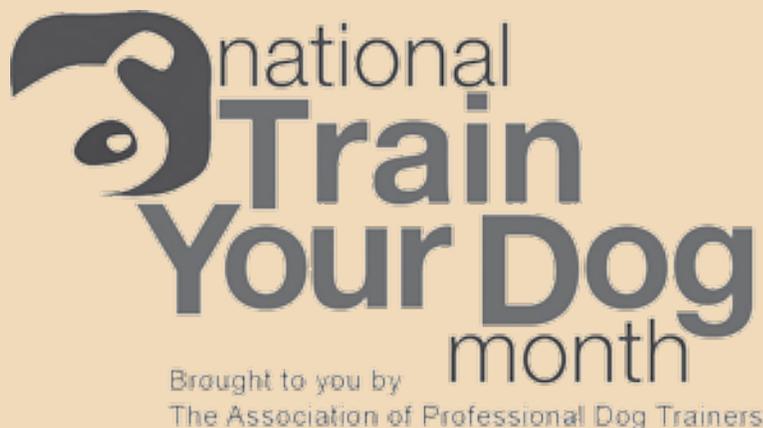
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By Mychelle Blake, MSW, CDBC, CAE
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CDBC, CCBC, CPDT-KA

Each year, countless numbers of human-animal bonds are broken simply because owners couldn't find a reliable resource to help them with their pets' behavior problems. Studies have found that behavior problems are the top reasons why so many pets are needlessly relinquished to shelters, abandoned, mistreated, or even euthanized. Sadly, this is often simply due to a lack of understanding of how to deal with issues that could be helped with the assistance of a qualified trainer or behavior specialist.

The History of APDT's National Train Your Dog Month

In 2010, the Association of Professional Dog Trainers designated the month of January as APDT's National Train Your Dog Month. The goal is to bring awareness to the importance and value of training and socialization for our canine companions! January was selected as the perfect month because it's a great time to start fresh and encourage people to make resolutions for the new year that involve their pets. We hope to help families start the New Year off on the right "paw" to develop and strengthen the bond between themselves and their dogs.

APDT's National Train Your Dog Month 2015

In an effort to assist others involved in animal-related fields in becoming quality resources within their communities and

help to share the value of dog training, the APDT has worked hard to provide free resources for the public created by many well-known pet training and behavior professionals. In celebration of APDT's National Train Your Dog Month 2015, APDT is pleased to offer a revamped list of resources. These are completely free and ideal for trainers, humane educators, shelter workers and volunteers and others to share with their constituents. Our extensive catalog of webinars, articles, and links can be found at <https://apdt.com/pet-owners/>.

Some of the topics you'll find include:

- *Advice on Choosing a Dog Breed*
- *Considerations for Families with Children*
- *Considerations for Multi-Pet Households*
- *Checklist for Bringing Home Your New Dog*
- *Finding a Dog From a Breeder*
- *Finding a Dog From a Shelter or Rescue Group*
- *Good and Bad Reasons for Getting a Dog*
- *Selecting the Right Dog for Your Lifestyle*
- *Activities You Can Do With Your Dog*
- *Books and DVDs on Training*
- *Cats (Yes! Cats too!)*
- *Dog Bites*
- *Dog Parks*
- *Choosing a Crate*
- *Training and Behavior Tips*
- *Safety Information*
- *Choosing a Trainer*
- *Can I Train My Dog Just Like They Do On TV?*

- *Dominance and Dog Training – Myths and Realities*
- *Understanding Training Equipment Options – Collars, Leashes and Crates*
- *Understanding Training Methods*
- *What Are Some of The Common Myths About Dog Training?*
- *What Do All Those Letters After Everyone’s Names Mean?*
- *What To Expect When Working With a Trainer or Attending a Group Class*
- *Why Do Trainers Use Food When Training?*
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Additionally, anyone with behavior and training questions is invited to join APDT for our “ask the trainer” weekly Facebook chats during the month of January to learn even more. Log on, ask our trainers anything you want to know about behavior or training, and we will do our best to help you! Our trainers will be APDT CEO Mychelle Blake and Director of Education Katenna Jones – both certified trainers – and these hour-long Facebook chats are designed for non-trainers to ask basic training and behavior questions.

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We will be sharing resources, referring to our trainer search, and answering as specifically as the format allows. Visit the event website, www.trainyourdogmonth.com, for a full calendar and more information, as well as access to all the available resources.

About the APDT

The APDT believes that a better understanding of our pets’ behavior can lead to happier, healthier and harmonious households for humans and companion animals. Since 1993, the APDT has promoted education for dog trainers and others in the pet industry. With over 5,000 members who are willing and able to assist pet owners, the APDT is the largest



“ APDT is pleased to offer a revamped list of resources. These are completely free and ideal for trainers, humane educators, shelter workers and volunteers and others to share with their constituents. ”

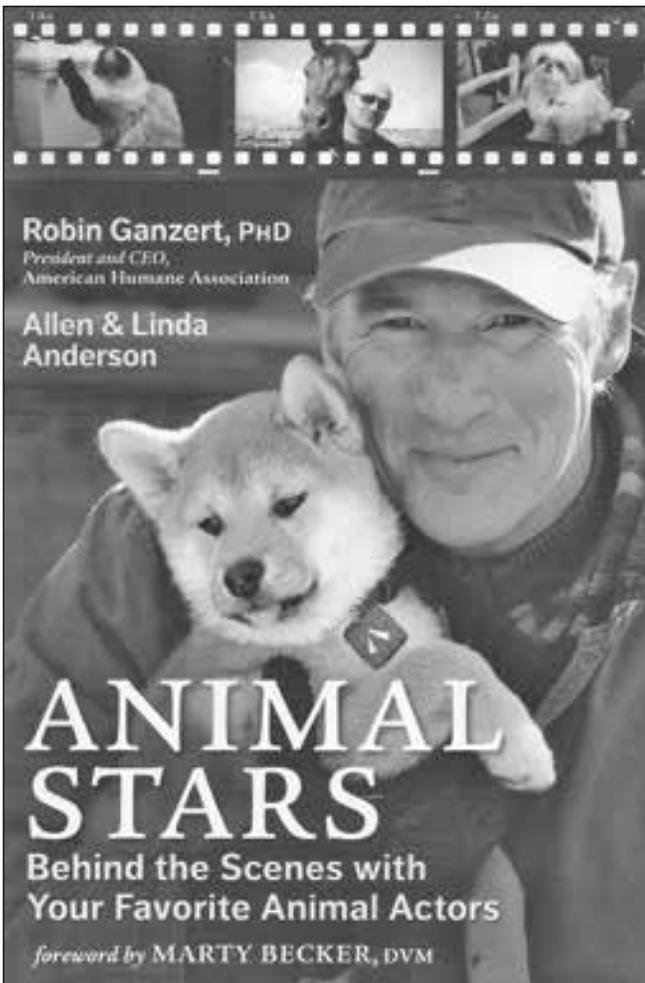
professional organization for pet dog trainers in the world. Our core purpose is to advance excellence in the profession of dog training and behavior consulting, and our vision is to be the leader in building and promoting dog training and behavior consulting as a profession. APDT believes in the fundamental value of the special relationship between dogs and humans, which benefits the individual and society as a whole, and that dog training and behavior modification should be based on critical thinking, open inquiry, shared knowledge and standards of practice. Further, we believe that reward-based training enhances the human-animal bond. We encourage anyone interested in learning more about their dogs and other pets to visit our web sites apdt.com and www.trainyourdogmonth.com for more information and resources.



Just in time for holiday gift-giving

This book is getting a lot of attention, and for good reason.

Written by American Humane Association's Present and CEO, Dr. Robin Ganzert, and Allen and Linda Anderson, the husband-and-wife founders of the Angel



Animals Network, *Animal Stars* offers unprecedented access to the fascinating world of animals and animal trainers in today's film and television industry.

From Joey in *War Horse* to the wolves in *Game of Thrones* and *True Blood*, and Crystal the monkey in *Night at the Museum*, what we see on screen is the result of meticulous preparation and professional teamwork between the animal trainers, actors, directors, and dogs, cats, horses, penguins, deer, monkeys, and other animals. These stories and personal interviews will give you behind-the-scenes access and a new

appreciation for the skill and patience it takes to teach nonhuman actors to perform on camera.

Sections include:

- *Horse Stars and Their Trainers*
- *Bears, Birds, Snakes, Monkeys, and Other Animal Stars and Their Trainers*
- *Dog Stars and Their Trainers*
- *Cat Stars and Their Trainers*

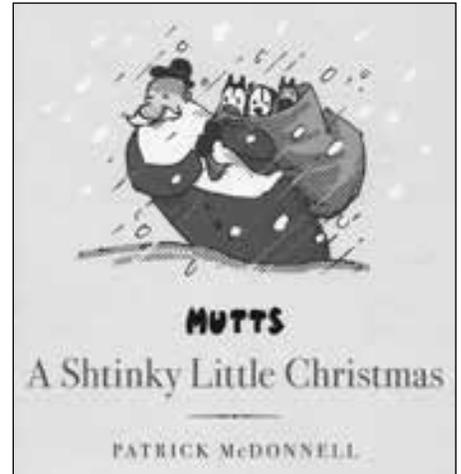
Trainers offer training tips for us non-professional animal lovers and American Humane Association Certified Animal Safety Representatives™ share details about the work they do while monitoring animals on film and television sets, which they've been doing for 75 years.

Dr. Marty Becker, DVM, writes in his foreword, "As a veterinarian, I found this book reassuring. As a movie buff and animal lover, I found it a delightful, honest, informative, and immensely entertaining."

I think you'll agree.

Animal Stars: Behind the Scenes with Your Favorite Animal Actors

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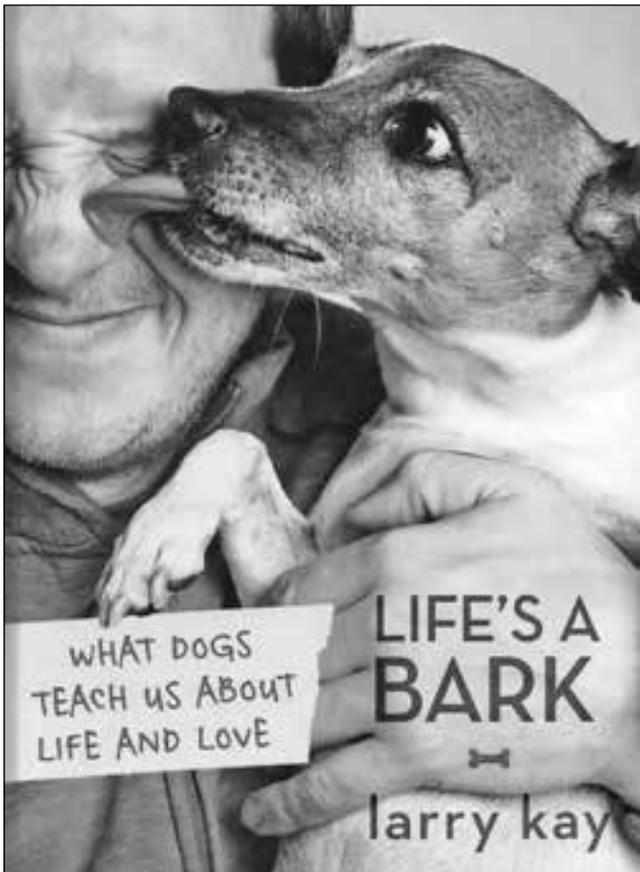


You can't go wrong with a Patrick McDonnell book and this one, although it's been out a couple of years, conveys a timeless message:

"You can purchase 'unconditional' love at any animal shelter for a small fee."

Highly recommended.

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Larry Kay's book, *Life's a Bark: What Animals Can Teach Us About Life and Love*, is a delight! Latham has long been a leader in promoting the benefits of the human-animal bond and *Life's a Bark*, which is filled with canine wisdom, truly celebrates that bond. Kay believes that when we discover pets, we discover ourselves.

Although the author is a well-known dog trainer, this book isn't about training dogs; instead, Kay inspires us to learn some new tricks for our own lives from the characteristics of the canine creatures we love.

For example, he writes that a dog might say,
"I love and live to serve."

"Dogs serve naturally. They love to follow good leaders. As leaders, they live to serve their pack. When we serve, we make our world better, which makes us better too. When we give, we also receive."

Then Kay suggests,
"Try this: Volunteer in your community. Know that your contribution makes a difference and adds love. How do you feel during and after each act? Any unexpected consequences?"

The many gorgeous color photographs perfectly illustrate the motivational gems that all dog lovers can appreciate.

You can learn about Larry Kay at www.positivelywoof.com or visit him at www.facebook.com/positivelywoof.

Underwater Puppies!

Fans of Seth Casteel's *Underwater Dogs* will love this new book and calendar.

While there is some controversy about whether these little guys are enjoying themselves or not, I'm a firm believer that Seth would never do anything to endanger or stress out these pups. In fact, he has launched a campaign to help "drown-proof" dogs by teaching them how to safely get out of a pool should they fall in by accident. A sad fact is that thousands of dogs drown in pool accidents every year. So enjoy this book, knowing these puppies are safe and very much loved.

Here's what one pet parent had to say, "... Just in case anyone is concerned about throwing puppies in water (I've read and responded to quite a few of those comments on social media), let me say that in the interest of full disclosure, I'm the owner of one of the puppies that made it into the book. Seth was amazing at introducing our then 11 week old into the water, and he had so much fun swimming that he kept going in and in and in".

Underwater Puppies

By Seth Casteel

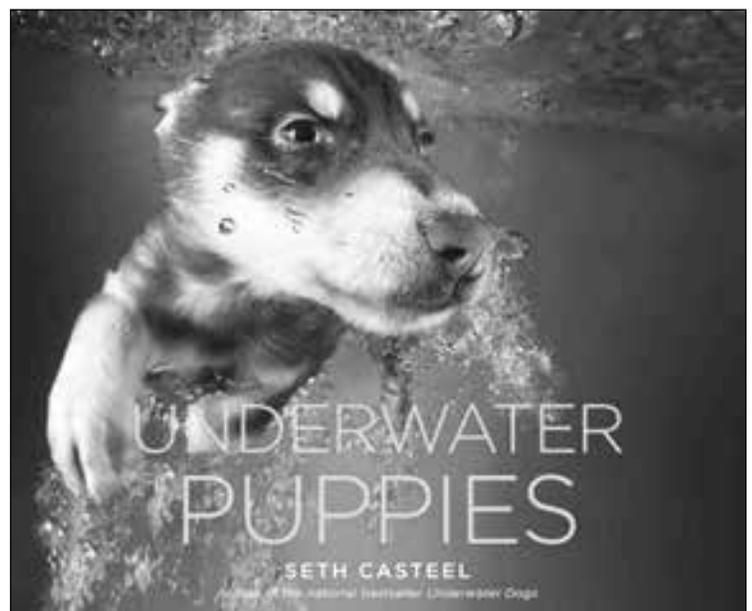
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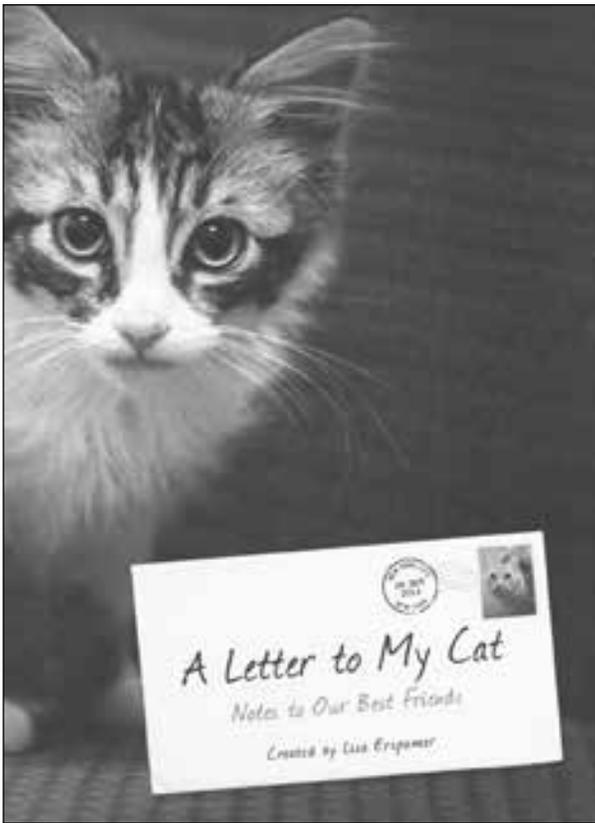
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A Letter to My Cat: Notes to Our Best Friends

Created by Lisa Erspamer

Lisa Erspamer, who compiled this heartwarming book, is the president of Lisa Erspamer Entertainment and Unleashed Media. She previously served as chief creative officer and executive vice president of programming and development for Oprah Winfrey’s network, OWN, as well as co-executive producer at The Oprah Winfrey Show. This explains her access to the many celebrity and non-celebrity cat lovers who share their beautiful and deeply personal letters to their four-footed feline friends in this book.

The letters, which are sometimes moving and sometimes hilarious, feature 100 full-color photographs that all cat lovers will appreciate.

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Rewilding Our Hearts shares an impassioned call to reverse environmental destruction by changing ourselves.

Biologist Marc Bekoff writes, “We live in a wounded world that is in dire need of healing.”

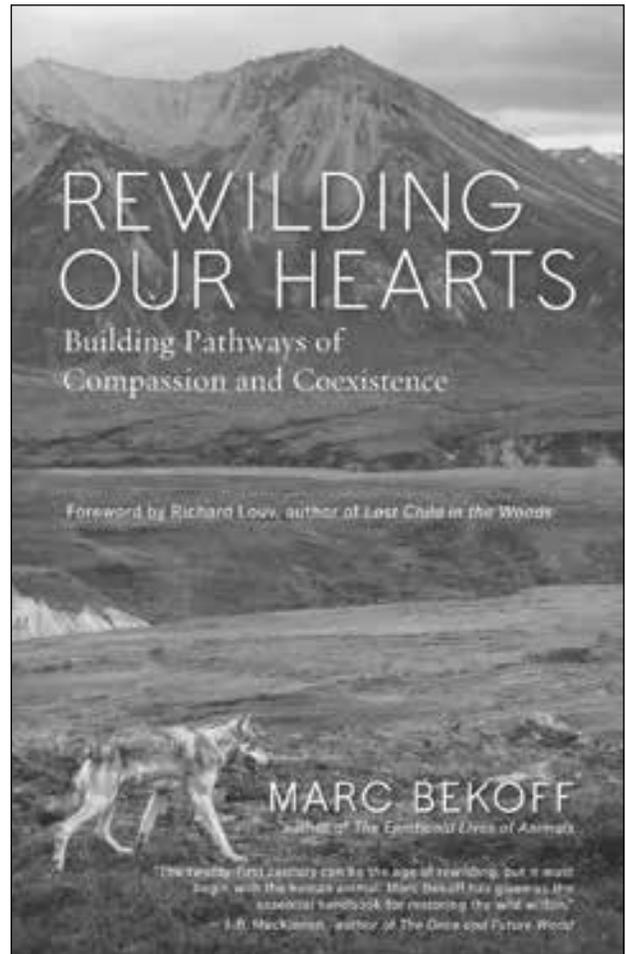
Rewilding means, “to make wild once again” and it is frequently used in wildlife conservation to refer to re-creating wildlife habitat and creating corridors between preserved land for wildlife to travel through, thus allowing declining populations to rebound. In this book, Bekoff applies the “rewilding” concept to human psychology and attitudes. He warns that if we don’t both rewild ourselves and become re-enchanted with nature, acts of physical conservation will have limited impact.

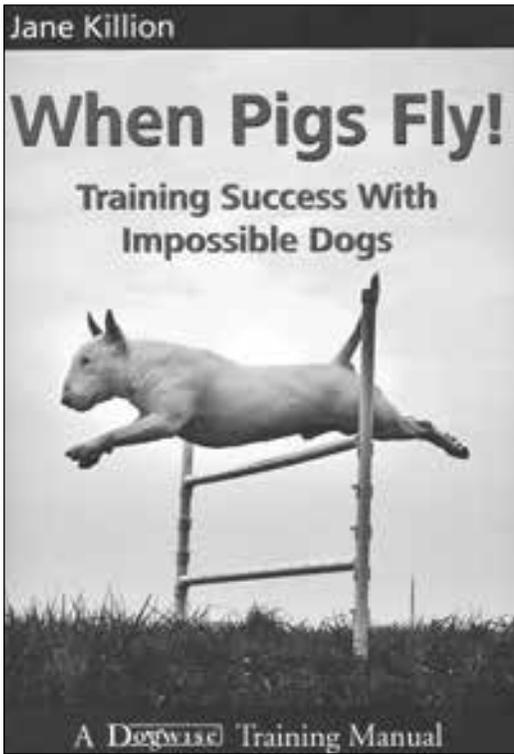
With a foreword by Richard Louv, author of *Last Child in the Woods*, *Rewilding our Hearts* draws on what we know about biology, ethology, conservation biology, psychology, and the role of childhood education and social movements to offer positive solutions for how we can deal with the global crisis in the loss of animal species.

Marc Bekoff is professor emeritus of ecology and evolutionary biology at the University of Colorado, Boulder.

Rewilding Our Hearts: Building Pathways of Compassion and Coexistence

By Marc Bekoff
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Does your dog come when called, heel properly when you go for a walk, and sit quietly when you ask him to? If your answer is a resounding “No!” then you may think you have an impossible dog, a “Pigs Fly” dog, one you may think can never be trained. But in this fresh and exciting book author Jane Killion asks us to think again.

She explains that many kinds of dogs that people have trouble training actually have characteristics that make them quite trainable – they are smart, they are good problem solvers, and they have strong drives to get what they want. The key to training success with these dogs is to work with the dog’s nature, not against it. That is, figure out what they find rewarding and then use those rewards to get the desired behavior.

I’m giving this book to a friend with a Shiba Enu puppy!

When Pigs Fly!

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A Bond Unique: Thoughts & Stories about people and the dogs they love

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Wet NOSE Therapy: A Tribute to Dogs and Those Who Rescue Them

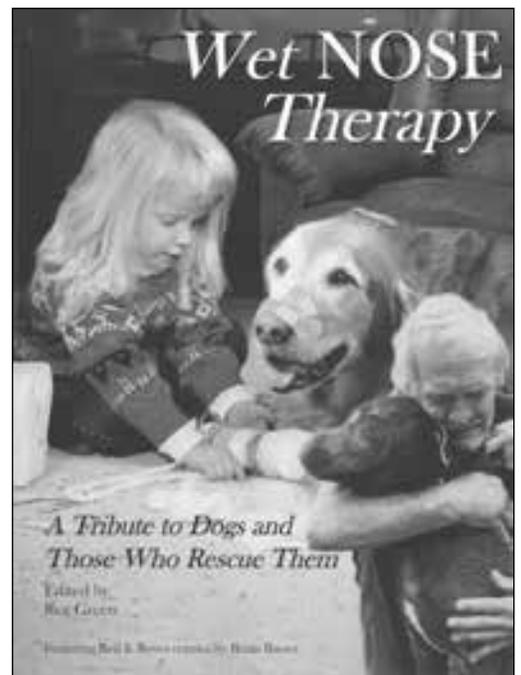
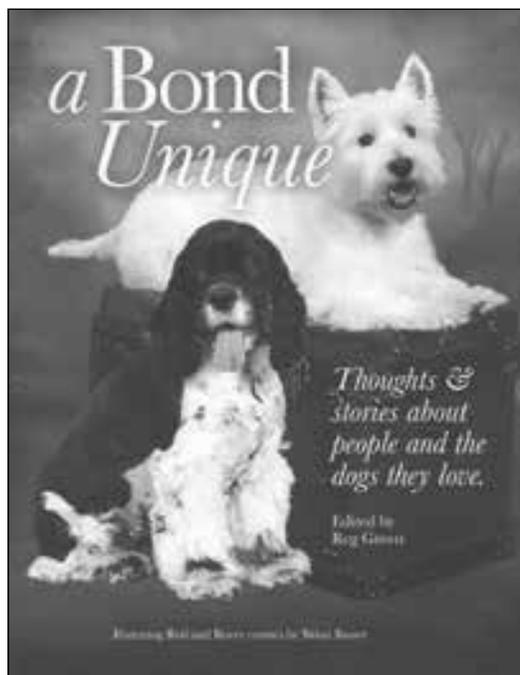
Two lovely, four-color books
 Edited by Reg Green
 Featuring Red and Rover
 comics by Brian Basset

Unlike in *A Letter to My Cat*, you probably won’t recognize the names of the authors of the stories in *A Bond Unique*, but you are sure to recognize the sentiments they express. Interspersed with perfectly appropriate comics, dog owners of all ages answer questions such as how they acquired their dog(s), what they mean to them, what gets their dogs’ tails wagging, and whether they think they will be reunited in heaven.

Wet NOSE Therapy truly is a tribute to individual rescuers

and rescue organizations. Reg Green compiled these profiles with genuine affection and appreciation. He is quick to encourage readers to “adopt” one of the wonderful organizations by sending them a contribution a couple of times a year, “to be there for them, as they are there for the dogs.”

Reg Green, who lives in Illinois, will donate the proceeds from the distribution of *Wet NOSE Therapy* back to the rescue organizations that contributed profile stories for the book. Email: k9luv145@gmail.com or visit Reg Green on Facebook for further information.





For Interested Writers

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This 15-minute DVD highlights Forget Me Not Farm at Sonoma Humane Society in Santa Rosa, California, where children and animals bond and heal. At this safe haven, children learn gentle touch and respect for both other humans and animals through animal-assisted and horticultural activities.

The film features Faith, a formerly-abused child who was adopted by wonderful parents. As you see her blossom, you'll be reminded that where there's life, there's hope.

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Green Chimneys, Blue Skies



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At Green Chimneys in Brewster, New York, visitors see smiling students and well-cared-for animals. What’s not immediately evident on this beautiful campus is that the children there are struggling with emotional, educational, social, and behavioral challenges. Green Chimneys includes a New York State-Approved Special Education Program, a Residential Treatment Program, and a Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility. All are designed to help children succeed academically, socially, and emotionally – to see blue skies in their futures.



The USDA-accredited Farm and Wildlife Center is at the heart of this unique, multi-faceted setting. At Green Chimneys animals have been helping kids and kids have been helping animals for more than 65 years. How and why do they do it?

Green Chimneys, Blue Skies is a comprehensive and detailed look at the philosophy and methods behind this successful world leader in animal-assisted therapy. It is also a reminder of the power of the human-animal bond and sure to leave you moved and inspired.

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Project BARC = Building Adolescent Responsibility and Compassion

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The selected trainees participate in daily classroom lessons to build empathy. At the same time, they work with an animal trainer to help their dogs pass the Canine Good Citizen test, which greatly increases their chances for adoption.

You'll see some of the lives (both human and canine) that Project BARC has transformed in this inspiring film with a very happy ending: the BARC Graduation Ceremony and the joyful results of everyone's hard work.

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