HUSU Opens Rocky Mountain Regional Office

The Humane Society of the United States, in its continuing effort to serve its members and local animal welfare groups and increase its ability to prevent cruelty to animals, has opened a new regional office in the Rocky Mountain area. Mr. John A. Hoyt, President of The Humane Society of the United States, announced the creation of this office effective September 15, 1978 and indicated that it will be responsible for the states of Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, and Arizona. Located in Denver, Colorado the Rocky Mountain office will provide technical assistance and aid to sheltered and non-sheltered societies and animal control agencies, encourage humane education programs, review and evaluate municipal ordinances and state codes pertaining to the protection of animals, investigate complaints of cruelty, abuse, and neglect, and be a resource to individuals and organizations concerned about and involved in the welfare of animals.

This office is an integral part of the network of regional services developed by The HSUS permitting constituents in the vicinity to have more direct access to resources of the national organization. Members of the Rocky Mountain Region staff include Donald W. Cashen, Director, Phil Steward, Investigator, and Peggy Napper, Secretary. In addition, Ms. Leslie Eustace, Accreditation Associate, will be a part of the staff working out of this office and be responsible not only for the Rocky Mountain Region but for the entire western half of the United States.

Utah Observes Humane Education Week

By special proclamation of Governor Scott W. Matheson the State of Utah set the week of 5-12 November 1978 as Humane Education Week. This public declaration by the Chief Executive Officer of Utah is the result of the efforts of Mrs. Carol Browning and Mrs. Rosemary Benning who together labored tenaciously to introduce humane education to the public school system of that state. An integral part of their work included the prepara-
A Time of Giving

While the practice of gift giving is not reserved for the Christmas Season alone, particular emphasis is placed upon the tradition of gifts as an expression of affection and concern. As you prepare your list of potential recipients and appropriate gestures for each, we encourage you to include a membership in The Humane Society of the United States.

With appropriate apologies to William Shakespeare a gift that the receiver could benefit from might leave an indelible mark upon the recipient and the animals who are also beneficiaries of your contributions. In addition to all the privileges associated with membership in The HSUS including receiving the quarterly Humane Society News, the recipient also knows that his/her membership provides crucial financial resources to us that assist in the reduction of cruelty to animals.

Donald W. Cashen, Executive Director


Leslie Eustace, Accreditation Associate

Peggy Napper. . . . . . Secretary

Make their Christmas a special time

Enclosed in this issue of the Rocky Mountain Regional Report you will find a return envelope which identifies the various membership categories available to you. If the membership is for someone other than yourself, please include your name on the flap portion of the envelope so that we may acknowledge your gift accordingly. This expression of affection for both a friend or acquaintance and for the world of animals generally.

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tion of appropriate curriculum which was then distributed throughout the metropolitan school districts of Utah. The Sharing Units, prepared by the National Association for the Advancement of Humane Education, a division of The HSUS, were circulated and made available to the teachers and others in the field of education.

The celebration of this commendable achievement took place on Wednesday 8 November at a special recognition dinner held at the Atla Club in Salt Lake City. In attendance at that dinner were representatives from the media, local and state governments, school districts throughout the state including the State Board of Education, the Junior League, and The HSUS. Representing the Humane Society of the United States was Harold H. Gardiner, member of the Board of Directors, and Donald W. Cashen, Director of the Rocky Mountain Regional Office in Denver. Presenting the certificates of appreciation to the State Board of Education and the Junior League was Ms. Debra Clinger, television celebrity currently featured on the CBS program, "The American Girls."

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zoological director be employed with appropriate credentials to meet the responsibilities of that office, and that additional animal attendants be hired to more adequately attend the needs of the exhibits.

One problem which Ms. Pressman encountered was that of the health of the polar bear. Apparently the health of the animal is such that alternative plans must be considered for his disposition. In this instance, and others that are comparable to it, The Humane Society of the United States urges zoo personnel to consider euthanasia rather than attempting to trade or give away aged or infirmed animals. We understand the concerns of the staff in their attempt to maintain good public relations, particularly with those who have made contributions to the organization. However, euthanasia is a far more humane method of animal disposition and requires educating the community.

A Living Memorial
Each of us seeks ways to insure that our contributions have lasting value and will adequately represent us when we are no longer able to speak for ourselves. Your will is the most valuable instrument you will ever prepare as a means of accomplishing this purpose. Properly drawn it represents your intentions and desires and is an excellent way of reflecting your concern for the well-being of animals.

The Humane Society of the United States will make available to you, without obligation, an informative booklet which will serve as a guide to you in this important matter. It contains information on selecting recipients and describes how to proceed when you decide to write or change your will.

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