From October 29 to 31, four pennants flanked the large blue HSUS banner behind the speaker's podium of the Clarion Harvest House hotel in Boulder, Colorado.

Imprinted on each banner was a different logo—one from each affiliated organization and division of the HSUS global humane family.

Those who gathered for the HSUS conference, "Protecting Animals and the Earth," learned of the mission of Humane Society International, the National Association for Humane and Environmental Education, EarthKind, and the Center for Respect of Life and Environment from guest speakers, staff, and members of the boards of these diverse organizations.

All four are intensively involved in extending the programs and objectives of The HSUS around the world.

The Hon. Bruce Babbitt, J.D., former governor of Arizona and an enlightened environmentalist, presented the conference's stirring keynote address. Fifteen workshops focused on our wide-ranging programs affecting animals. Panel discussions on taking action worldwide, working within the system, and EarthKind's global mission attracted a distinguished roster of international figures in animal protection. One morning's program focused exclusively on humane education's special challenges.

Two moving presentations complemented the daily sessions: actress Kaululani Lee's interpretation of the life of Rachel Carson and 1992 Joseph Wood Krutch medalist John C. Walsh's slide show on animal victims of the Gulf War. Father Thomas Berry, CP, Ph.D., recipient of the James Herriot Award, joined Mr. Walsh as our honored guests at Saturday's banquet. Dr. Amy Freeman Lee, our able guide through previous conferences, moderated the general sessions with her incomparable wit and verve. And for those who needed additional inspiration for their efforts to help animals and nature, the Rocky Mountains were only footsteps away.
HSUS Chief Executive John A. Hoyt (left) and Chairman of the Board K. William Wiseman present the James Herriot Award, created by the Boehm Porcelain Studio, to Father Thomas Berry.

The Hon. Bruce Babbitt, of the League of Conservation Voters, presented the conference keynote address.

HSUS Executive Vice President Patricia Forkan served as moderator of the panel discussion “Humane Society International: Taking Action Worldwide.”

Mr. Wiseman (left) and HSUS President Paul G. Irwin (right) congratulate John C. Walsh, assistant director general of the World Society for the Protection of Animals and recipient of the Joseph Wood Krutch medal, at Saturday’s banquet.
Margaret Cooper, chairwoman of EarthKind (UK), unfurls the EarthKind banner during her presentation on EarthKind's global mission.

Iditarod champion Susan Butcher, who spoke on working within the system, enjoys a coffee break with HSUS Vice President, Investigations, David K. Wills.

HSUS Vice President, Field Services, Randall Lockwood, Ph.D. (right), and Stephen M. Kritsick, D.V.M., HSUS staff veterinarian, join Suzanne Hetts, Ph.D., of the Denver Dumb Friends League in a workshop on animal behavior.
HSUS conferees check out the merchandise during Thursday's sale of books and humane-education materials. Dozens of items were offered.

Susan Hagood, HSUS wildlife issues specialist, finds something to smile about with HSUS consultant Dick Randall during their workshop.

This year the HSUS will present a symposium on national and international wildlife issues and hold its annual meeting in Washington, D.C. Join other "movers and shakers" in animal protection on October 8 and 9. Look for details in the next HSUS News.