

THE C.A.S.H. COURIER

THE COMMITTEE TO ABOLISH SPORT HUNTING

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Luke A. Dommer was the founder of the Committee to Abolish Sport Hunting. He was its president from 1976 until his passing in August 1992. Mr. Dommer's research and publications served as the foundation for the anti-hunting movement. He remains, through this organization, an invaluable and dedicated warrior in the battle to save wild animals, the environment, and general public from the silent economy that encourages and preys on the passion of a few to kill the wildlife that belongs to all.

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BREAKING NEWS: CUOMO VETOES PROTECTIVE SWAN BILL — SO TRAPPERS CAN TRAP AND HUNTERS CAN HUNT!!!

While we in the animal protective movement understand the huge political and economic forces operating against the welfare of animals, we still are taken aback by many angles that we discover while researching a topic.

As almost 3,000 petition names were being sent to the NYS Governor, as calls were pouring in to his office, as appeals were being made by people in and out of the animal protection movement, the other side was active as well. **But who "woulda thunk" that the trappers would have weighed in? That miniscule group of ragtag misfits actually had an economic interest in seeing the bill fail.**

A certain Mr. Mike Rossi, who goes by the modest name of "Elite NY Hunter," posted the following to a hunting forum website prior to the, frankly, expected veto. We are quoting him verbatim:

One reason biologists justify trapping is the protection of ground nesting birds, not just game birds like turkeys, but for threatened and endanger species. If NY decides an invasive species is more important than native imperiled species, how will they rate the activity of trapping?

One imperiled bird, although



helped by trapping, is also impacted by BOTH mute swans and trapping. The King Rail. Biologists work to reduce threats and impacts. Nobody suggested banning legholds for muskrats to conserve King Rails, but if Queens NY [this reference is to Tony Avella, a Queens Democrat, who introduced the bill to protect the mute swan] decides which threat to reduce, where is the law going?

Muskrat populations are going down and mute swan populations are going up and colonizing new areas. It is unlikely that mute swans are the causative factor for the

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

When I sat down to write this column I did so by reviewing what we've done since the last issue of the Courier, including the people with whom we've interacted, and the situations in which we've been helpful. There are some constants: requests for information from students and non-students who just want to learn more; inquiries through our Facebook page from people who need some immediate help to a pressing situation; and whacky comments from trolls and other assorted people. But every so often someone contacts us with something that really bothers me, and I am reminded of this as I write this column.



I received a call from a woman who was upset with us for posting a news article about her son who died when he fell from his tree stand. She was angry but remained rational, and it was clear that she was still grieving from losing her son. I listened to her tell me how her son lived for the outdoors and how he was the best son a mother could hope for. She asked why we would post hunting accidents when reliving the accidents causes people pain and suffering. What was our purpose, she wanted to know, and why would we pick on her son when neither she nor he had ever heard of our organization.

I told her we were sorry for her tragic loss and that one of the reasons we are fighting against hunting is so that similar accidents will not happen to others. I listened some more and volunteered to modify the article on our website by removing her son's name, as the accident is what we are documenting and the identity of the victim is not entirely necessary. That satisfied her and she thanked me for understanding her point of view.

Not long after this call came in we received an e-mail from another woman who had lost her son in a hunting accident. She was angrier and less rational, and threatened us with legal action if we did not pull the article that

featured the accident that killed her son.

C.A.S.H. feels for these mothers, and we hope to hasten the day when hunting accidents are a thing of the past.

However, we also feel for the non-human victims of hunting, and the suffering they must endure at the hands of hunters who find killing and violence to be a form of recreation. While engaging in one particularly intense thread on our Facebook page (by the way, please "Like" us if you have not done so already) I felt the need to dig up some factual information on what animals go through when hunted. The research I did went from becoming a post on a Facebook thread to a lengthier article, **WOUNDING AND SUFFERING IN HUNTED ANIMALS: The Dirty Secret Hunters Do Not Want You to Know**, which you can read in this issue. It's difficult to *understand* what the animals go through without hearing it described in detail and seeing some of the photographs. **Warning: Some of the details are disturbing, as are the photos.**

While this is a difficult time of year for many of us, it's the animals who truly suffer and who need our help. **They suffer without help, without sympathy, without acknowledgment. They are the legal victims of a system that will continue until the brutal hoax is exposed and condemned.**

SOME OF WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO:

- **Posted dozens of informative articles to our Facebook page and have fielded hundreds of comments both pro and con.**

- **Appeared on Dr. Lori Kirchner's *Animals Today* radio show.** You can hear the program at this website: <http://www.animalstodayradio.com/liveshows.html>.

It was recorded on 11/23/2014. The interview was about Eva Shockey's vile killing of a bear. Eva Shockey is the daughter of Jim Shockey and co-host of the Outdoor Channel's "Jim Shockey's Hunting Adventures."

- **C.A.S.H. tabled at Pits for Peace**

in Las Cruces, and reached out to organizers of street fairs in the El Paso, TX area so C.A.S.H. can bring the message of humane wildlife solutions to a wider audience.

- **Sent scores of letters to the editor** to newspapers from New York to Oregon and many places in between, addressing issues as varied as prairie dog hunting, coyote killing contests, Canada goose eradication, and humane wildlife education.

- **Responded to requests from students** in Massachusetts (about hunting's spreading disease, contributing to habitat destruction, and creating overpopulation), New Hampshire (bobcat hunting and trapping), Maine (Bear hunting and trapping), and Texas (canned hunting).

- **Researched and provided information on the cruelty of bow hunting** for an activist in northern Virginia seeking to fight her homeowners association's plans to allow "sharpshooters" to kill deer.

Added hunting violations to the C.A.S.H. website, and updated our hunting accident database to a total of 7,406 hunting accidents. Yes, 7,406 hunting accidents!!

- **The C.A.S.H. Accident Page has gotten the positive attention of media.** The *Virginia Gazette* Editorial on 12/9/2014 countered reports that hunting accidents are declining by referring to the C.A.S.H. website. The editor said, *"Obvious slant aside, for 2014 the site documents close to 100 incidents in October and November combined, and roughly 200 for the year. Three of the November reports were from Virginia, two of them resulted in hunter deaths... As careful as any hunter can be, accidents can and do happen"*

**WITH YOUR HELP,
WE'LL BE ABLE TO DO
SO MUCH MORE!**

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decline in muskrats, but they are not helping the situation either, just as they compromise other native species.

Rossi posts images that you can view at <http://tinyurl.com/elit-hunt>, and writes: *“If you have not contacted Governor Cuomo about the mute swan legislation, do so before Midnight Wednesday December 17, 2014. Politely request that Governor Cuomo VETOES the ‘Tony Avella Mute Swan Bill’ so that conservation and conservation funding does not get UNDERMINED” [sic].*

Elite NY Hunter then put out a letter for his fellow hunters to send to Gov. Cuomo, as though Cuomo really needed it.

Dear Governor Cuomo,

I urge you to VETO senate bill 065889-A and assembly bill 08770-A. The conservation of wildlife and their habitats need to be done cooperatively across state and national boundaries. The cooperation of NY was anticipated by the Atlantic Flyway Council in the effort to eradicate mute swans. Lack of cooperation would undermine the conservation of native migratory wildlife as well as the states native non-migratory wildlife and wetland habitats. Migratory wildlife is a shared resource, and mute swans impact this resource and their wetland habitats. It would not be responsible for the state or any section of the state to either harbor mute swans or to

become a source habitat from which mute swans hatched and protected in NY spread across state or national boundaries. Likewise it would not be responsible to fail to protect native wildlife and wetland habitats within NY.

Still not satisfied, Rossi created a Care petition which garnered a whopping **302** signatures!

Compare that to the **GooseWatch-NYC** petition that had close to **2,700** signatures!

The Elite NY Hunter’s petition reads:

If you had a chance to block a measure that would...

- *Be harmful to native wildlife*
- *Be harmful to wetland habitats*
- *Be harmful to the conservation fund*
- *Blocks new hunting opportunity*
- *Allows Animal Rights*

Organizations to over-rule the DEC

- *Emboldens animal rights organizations and sets new precedents on policy decisions*

Would you act on that chance? Here is your opportunity. Sign this petition and ask others to do the same! <http://tinyurl.com/SwanVeto>

He shows the photo here, along with other photos, attempting to link mute swans to the reduction of fish, muskrats, king rails and other birds, and especially Canada geese, a prime hunting species.



State game agencies, hunters and trappers, will stop at nothing to continue profiting from the killing of wildlife. That includes the killing of wild animals who interfere with their over-production of certain species.

The nightmare of wildlife management for hunting and trapping must come to an end.

Wildlife Watching must become the primary mode of “recreational enjoyment of wildlife” for the sake of all the species. Wildlife managers are responsible for so much suffering and abuse. Brave and sympathetic lawmakers like Tony Avella are needed to pass laws that will protect animals from human greed.

MUSKRATS NEED PROTECTION FROM TRAPPERS!

Joe Miele reported that trappers torture animals without conscience.



Dennis Schultz, former Vice-President of the Montana Trappers Association, arrogantly wrote in The Missoulian, *“We trappers do cause pain and suffering to animals and apologize to no one.”* (2/11/08).

Joe said, *Simply stated, trappers are animal abusers.* For information on how you can protect wildlife exploited and tortured by trappers contact CASH@abolishsporthunting.org

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THE TRUTH BEHIND THE KILLING OF MUTE SWANS

BY SHEILA BOLIN



Photo by Shirley Bolin. Mute swan with cygnet on back.

Killing mute swans is one of the most despicable hoaxes ever perpetrated on the American taxpayer. Mute swans are killed because wildlife budgets are decreasing. No hunters, no permits, no money, so an idea was born. Remove mute swans from their habitats and replace them with the larger trumpeter swans so more expensive trophy waterfowl hunting permits can be sold and hunters attracted.

Frequently cited pretexts for killing mute swans by agencies include:

1. They eat too much aquatic vegetation
2. They are non-native
3. They can carry avian flu
4. They are aggressive/invasive
5. They produce too much nitrogen
6. They displace other waterfowl

These sham pretexts have been widely disputed by some of the world's foremost swan and wetland biologists presenting papers at the 2014 International Swan Symposium.

Sham Pretext: They eat too much aquatic vegetation. Wildlife officials admitted to harvesting trumpeter swan eggs from Alaska, incubating them at the Milwaukee Zoo and then releasing the captive-reared birds into habitats in which they'd never existed. Mute swans eat approximate-



Photo by Sue Miller - reprinted with permission of Ms. Miller

ly 8 lbs of aquatic vegetation daily, while the trumpeter swan cygnets alone, eat approximately 20 lbs (Larry Gillette, Trumpeter Society). How can you release a larger bird that is known to eat more aquatic vegetation and still use this feeding excuse to kill a smaller species?

Sham Pretext: Non-native. Barb Avers, Michigan DNR, was asked at the Symposium, "Why kill one species (mutes) to introduce a larger swan species (trumpeter)." Avers stated that they wanted a native species. Really? Then why is there so much concern about the mute swans being non-native, when states such as Michigan, Maryland, New York, Indiana, etc., kill the mute swans, yet raise non-native Asian pheasants to be released into the habitat for hunting purposes? Asian pheasants are parasitic non-native species that lay their eggs in other birds' nests, specifically those of mallard ducks and the endangered prairie chicken (native species).

Sham Pretext: Mute swans carry avian flu. Research shows that the major vectors of avian flu are mallard ducks, poultry, and bar-headed geese (H. Schekkerman & R. Slaterus, 2007). Poultry raised close to people are the most culpable. Why are these species not being killed for monitoring purposes? Remember Asian pheasants are farm raised in poultry settings for release into the environment for hunting purposes. Some research shows that even though the pheasants are treated for parasites, they can introduce these parasites into the natural environment and pick-up diseases from wild species (Villanua, D. et al, 2006). Pheasants are hunted and eaten by humans. Why is this practice promoted by state wildlife officials if there is concern that humans can contract avian flu or other zoonotic diseases?

Sham Pretext: Aggressive/Invasive. Mute swans are no more aggressive or invasive than any other wildlife species (Perrins, C., 2014; Nolet, B., 2014). Mute swans are not invasive, rather they are a sentinel species that alerts scientists to problems in the habitat (Schummer et al, 2011; Nilsson, L, 2014; Bolin et al, 2014).

Sham Pretext: Cause high nitrogen levels. Wildlife specialists maintained that mute swans caused high nitrogen levels in the Chesapeake Bay which led to the killing of the swans in Maryland. This was deemed "junk science" by a Federal Appeals Court, yet it is still being used to justify the killing of the species throughout the U.S.

At the Symposium, Larry Hindman of the Maryland DNR admitted that **NO NEPA or other such study was**

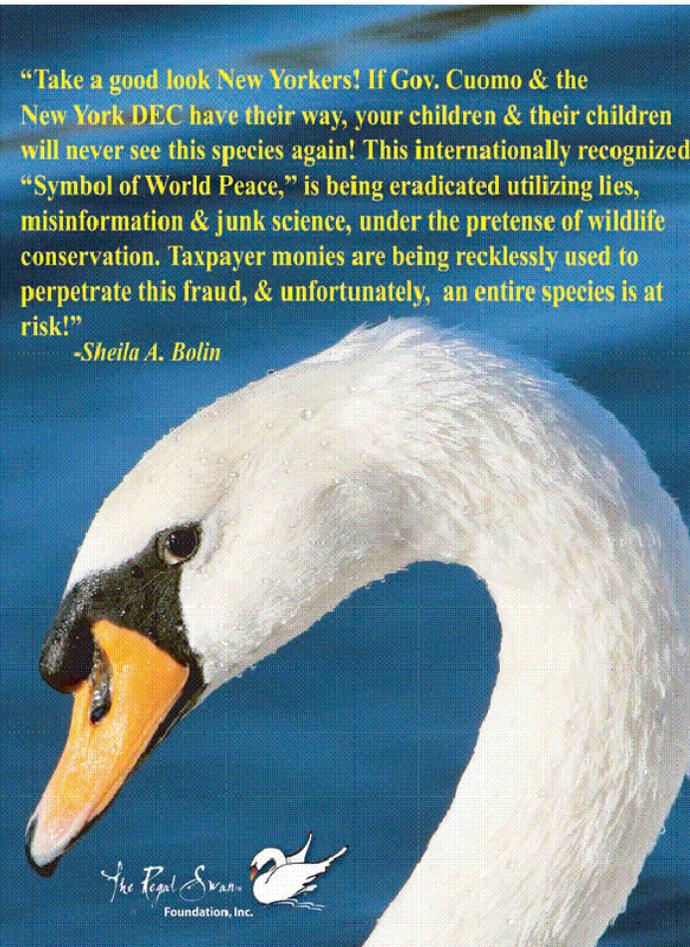
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ever conducted prior to the destruction of 1,683 nests, 9,403 eggs and the killing of all the mute swans except for two mating pair. Currently, the nitrogen levels in the Bay are still high. No longer can the mute swans be blamed. They were massacred for no scientific reason! As Mr. Hindman stated about the killing, "We did it under the radar, most people did not know how, when or what we were doing until it was over, we went in, did what we had to do and got out. It was never announced and never appeared on the 6:00 news."

This non-scientific based killing continues at the expense



"Take a good look New Yorkers! If Gov. Cuomo & the New York DEC have their way, your children & their children will never see this species again! This internationally recognized, "Symbol of World Peace," is being eradicated utilizing lies, misinformation & junk science, under the pretense of wildlife conservation. Taxpayer monies are being recklessly used to perpetrate this fraud, & unfortunately, an entire species is at risk!"

-Sheila A. Bolin

of an entire swan species and the American taxpayer!

To speak up for our mute friends, please contact the **Regal Swan Foundation** at:

<http://www.theregal-swan.com/home.html>

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Bolin spoke at the International Swan Symposium held in Easton, Maryland, February 3-6, 2014. This Symposium hosted some of the world's leading swan experts.

The Regal Swan Foundation was the 2013 recipient of the International John Muir Non-Profit Conservation Award.

In 2010, Bolin was nominated as "Scientist of The Month," by the International Union for the Conservation of Nature, IUCN, based in Gland, Switzerland, for her swan research work. Bolin also serves as a member of the Swan Specialists Group.

Since 2005, Bolin has served as Ask the Specialist for the Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada website (www.stanley-park-swans.com) where she has fielded questions from swan owners, veterinarians, swan keepers and other swan specialists regarding swan behavior, habitats and general maintenance issues.



Photo by Shirley Bolin of Sheila Bolin and relaxed friend

Snare Trapping Bill in NYS Dies but... who wanted this law?

Elise Able, founder of **Fox Wood Wildlife Rescue**, a coyote and fox rehabilitation center in Buffalo, NY, wrote:

One of the biggest reasons that trappers want snares legalized again (in NYS) is because they like to train their

coyote hunting dogs on a trapped coyote that can't get away. Of course, the more the coyote struggles as it is attacked, the tighter the snare gets until it is dead, thus giving the dogs the "satisfaction and confidence" that they "won" their "fight" against the coyotes.

CAN THERE BE A RIGHT TO HUNT?

BY PETER MULLER

Notwithstanding the many attempts of several states to enact “Right to Hunt” laws – or even to make “Right to Hunt” an amendment to the state constitution -- there are good logical reasons to argue that there is no reasonable way in which this can be done. Basic to this is the legal meaning of the word “Right.”

A Right is an inherent, irrevocable entitlement held by all citizens or all human beings from the moment of birth.

A Privilege is a special entitlement granted by the state to a restricted group on a conditional basis.

Privileges can be revoked in certain circumstances. Rights cannot be revoked.

It’s best to illustrate this with examples:

1. If you want to worship this weekend at your house of worship where do you apply for your license?
2. If you want to drive a car in your state where do you apply for your license?
3. If you want to publish a newspaper where do you apply for a license?
4. If you want to sell beer in your restaurant where do you apply for your license?

The answer to questions 1) and 3) is that you do not need a license to do the activities because those activities are rights. The government neither gives you permission to engage in that activity nor can the government enjoin you from engaging in that activity, or charge you a fee, or even require that you register with an agency for engaging in that activity.

For question 2) the answer is that you go to your state’s motor-vehicle department; apply for a driver’s license; pass a test; drive responsibly and if you fail to drive responsibly in the state’s judgment your license can be revoked.

For question 4) the answer is you go to the state alcoholic beverage control



Photo: My Big Redneck Family: The Talk

board; apply for a license; they will review your credentials and may or may not issue you a permit to sell beer in your restaurant. If you do get a license but you subsequently fail to meet some of their rules for selling beer in a restaurant, your license may be revoked.

In legal terms, hunting is clearly a **privilege not a right. A hunter must apply for a hunting license** at the state’s agency that manages the state’s wildlife (variously called “DNR”, “DEC”, “DEP” or something similar) after taking a “hunting safety course” and passing a test. He must observe the seasons set by the agency and observe the bag-limits specified by the agency for the various species. If he fails to do so his license may be revoked or suspended.

To make hunting a “right” would mean, as long as we use language consistently, that:

1. A person does not need a license to hunt.
2. A person does not need to observe any seasons or bag-limits.

Anyone could just buy a box of shells and go outside and start shooting away anytime. This would obviously not suit anybody -- especially the game agencies that now would have no source of revenue since there would be no need to have a hunting license. Nor would they

be able to increase the populations of “game” animals.

These proposed “right to hunt” laws are a misuse of the word “right.” If we examine the actual laws being proposed, we see that they are really proposing nothing new. It is simply a continuation of the hunting privilege that exists today.

For example the Florida law provides:

*The Legislature recognizes that hunting, fishing, and the taking of game are a valued part of the cultural heritage of Florida and should be forever preserved for Floridians. The Legislature further recognizes that these activities play an important part in the state's economy and in the conservation, preservation, and management of the state's natural areas and resources. Therefore, the Legislature intends that the citizens of Florida have a right to hunt, fish, and take game, **subject to the regulations and restrictions prescribed by general law and by s. 9, Art. IV of the State Constitution.** [Emphasis added]*

Since the “right” is subject to legislations, regulations and restrictions it is not a right but a privilege which is

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"I'm feeling a little depressed, myself – let's go think up some feel-good legislation."

misnamed a "right" to make hunters feel better. These laws or amendments are really nothing more than obfuscation of legal terms.

If these laws have no substantive "payload" why are they proposed at all? They are what people in the business of commenting on legislative action call "feel-good laws." A "feel-good law" is a bill that a legislator introduces to accommodate the demand of some of his constituents. **It is usually not intended to be acted on seriously by the legislative body – or if it is passed into law—it has no substantive effect.** A similar hypothetical feel good law would permit all residents to go to a public beach during its hours of operation.

The bill doesn't add anything substantive to what is already permitted (or prohibited) but it does make a segment of the voting constituency feel better. Those of us who seek to get legislation enacted in the area of animal protection, unfortunately, often

see our proposed bills negotiated down to "feel good" but "do nothing" legislation. One example was our effort to enact a law in New York State that would outlaw canned hunt operations. After passing through countless committees in the two legislative bodies it came out as "prohibiting the operation of canned hunt facilities on less than 13 acres of land." There were no canned hunt facilities on less than 13 acres of land – so the law, as enacted, did nothing to outlaw any existing facilities nor place any realistic restrictions on any proposed canned hunt facility in the future.. But the legislators that sponsored this law could point to it with pride in their next election campaign when challenged about what they had done to promote animal protection.

These "Right to Hunt" Laws are mostly feel good laws that give the legislative sponsors and supporter bragging rights in their next election campaigns. They can also serve to get the redneck-vote out when presented as a ballot issue. If a certain segment of voters normally doesn't show up to vote on election day, but their vote is needed by some candidates, then it is common practice to put a feel-good measure on the ballot as a ballot issue on which the voters will decide – that usually brings folks out.

One word of caution – sometimes these "feel good laws" are bundled with some other provisions that

would never pass on their own but slip by unnoticed by the general voting public or the legislators' staff when embedded in a feel-good law.

These additional embedded additions are frequently pernicious to the welfare of wildlife and not trivial and meaningless as is the "right to hunt provision" itself. So, in those cases there is a reason to actively oppose the measure. In some states, notably Alabama, the "Right to Hunt" law contained a clause that most thinking people would reject as being downright insane. It specifies among other things:

Hunting by the public and fishing by the public shall be the preferred means of managing and controlling wildlife.

Should legislators impose a "preferred" means on a method that should be an objective scientific decision?

What if they enacted a law stating?
Chemotherapy shall be the preferred means of treating cancer

Does it make sense to restrict objective decisions by scientists to certain narrow options – especially if those options are known to be largely worthless, or superseded by a different mode?

Evidently the boll weevils (conservative southern Democrats) of the Alabama legislature think so. **We don't!**

Hunting Should be a Marker in Criminal Profiles

The FBI now considers domestic animal abuse in a person's background to be an important fact to consider. C.A.S.H. believes that the killing of wild animals for amusement needs to be just as relevant to a case history.

Those of us who follow these high profile mass shootings have noted that many are committed by hunters.

Here is one recent example: Jaylen Fryberg was an "avid

hunter" according to some of the reports about him. He killed five fellow students, including relatives, in the school cafeteria where he had invited them to the same table. It was reported that he appeared impassive as he was shooting.

Here are two photos of Fryberg posing with the animals he had killed.

Photos are from Facebook and online sites.



WOUNDING AND SUFFERING IN HUNTED ANIMALS: THE DIRTY SECRET HUNTERS DO NOT WANT YOU TO KNOW

[Warning: graphic images]

JOE MIELE

Anyone who has discussed the topic of hunting expressing even a mild displeasure of the “sport” has undoubtedly encountered the retort, “It’s better that an animal die a quick death than suffer from disease or starvation.” Never mind that those who say such things know exactly zilch about wildlife management and carrying capacity. **Those who are prone to making such statements have no idea how often hunters wound animals and fail to retrieve**



Deer mounted with arrow through chest, blood left in from nose and mouth.

Sent by Natalie Jarnstedt

them, or how much “cleanly” hit animals suffer for the sake of “recreation” [wreck creation]. Exactly what happens to the animals who are hit and not retrieved is anyone’s guess, but there are four possible scenarios: a few survive the attack and live compromised, shortened lives; some run off and die relatively soon after hiding themselves well enough to go undetected; others have their skin heal over

the wound and a massive infection develops that causes a lingering, painful death; while others are attacked by predators and in their weakened state are unable to flee and have no chance for survival.

As I began writing this article, I browsed several hunting message boards and websites to see what hunters have to say about wounding animals and not being able to retrieve them, and about what happens to animals after they are shot.

What did I find out after doing a little research on the prevalence of wounded animals among hunters? I learned that wounding happens far more often than hunters will admit to us, and even more often I thought. It truly is a nightmare for wildlife during hunting season.

In an article published on the website of the *Sun Journal* of southern Maine on November 9, 2014 (Outdoors in Maine: Dealing with wounded deer) V. Paul Reynolds, editor of the *Northwoods Sporting Journal*, wrote **“Most deer hunters will sooner or later in their hunting careers wound a deer and not recover it. It happens.”**

In his monthly column for the *Northwoods Sporting Journal*, Wildlife biologist Mark McCollough tells us that because no studies of crippling loss have been done in Maine, the Maine Inland Fisheries and Wildlife department relies on a 1964 estimate from Chet Banasiak (a former Maine deer biologist), that crippling loss represented 15% of the kill, and poaching was 20% of the kill. With numbers like 15% and 20% of animals being crippled by hunters, any of us would rightfully be disgusted and outraged. **But McCollough went on to say that, nationally, studies of wounding from archery and firearms are more in line with 50% and 25% of the legal kill limits. This clearly shows how barbaric hunting is, especially bow hunting, which on account of these numbers alone should be immediately banned nationwide. If the public understood this truth there would be much less support for hunting and greater opposition from those who normally do not speak out for animals.**

Most of this horror takes place deep in the woods where few are there to witness it, but every so often the public is given a glimpse of the cruelty and savagery of hunting.

An article from the *Daily Camera* (Boulder, CO) from September 8, 2014 entitled “Wildlife officials: Moose shot by bow hunter at Brainard Lake was legal, ‘clean’ kill” contained a graphic description of what happened to an animal who was “quickly” killed by a hunter. Describing a case where a bull moose was shot by a bow hunter near Brainard Lake, Colorado Parks and Wildlife spokeswoman Jennifer Churchill said it was “the cleanest kill you can hope for.” **After hearing a cow call that he later realized was a hunter calling the moose in for a shot, an eyewitness to the “cleanest kill you can hope for” described it this way:**

“Then the calls stopped and I heard this kind of blood-curdling, moaning scream sound and tree branches breaking,” Clark said. *“Then (the moose) was running full speed toward us with another bull coming right behind it. We had a second or two to decide which direction to run. At that time, I saw blood coming out of the side and kind of connected then that he had been shot.”*

A “blood-curdling, moaning scream” from a bleeding moose running full-speed is as clean as a hunter can hope for.

Writers to hunting websites have a lot to say about what happens when animals are shot. On the website www.wiredtohunt.com, a hunter talks about gut-shooting deer: *“Typically when you hit a deer in the gut, it*

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will hunch up and walk or trot away in a strained position. These animals are lost of (sic) the hunter pursues them as they will run for miles though mortally wounded." A deer who runs for miles after being shot will not be



Photo sent to C.A.S.H.

retrieved, and if she was gut shot it is a near certainty that she will die of a massive infection.

When hunters tell you that they do not cause animals to suffer they are lying, possibly in an effort to make what they enjoy seem acceptable or necessary in some way or to make them not look like the monsters they are. Despite the lies that are commonly told to us, members of *Field & Stream's* online forums talk candidly when they don't think C.A.S.H. is reading their words. From a thread posted to <http://tinyurl.com/fld-nd-stream-hit-him>, here are the words of three different hunters:

- "I shot a buck this morning at 30 yards, broadside, when i hit him he went down right away spun around in circles. after he stumbled back to his feet and drunkenly ran off he made three of these death moan sounding noises that i have never heard, i called my ol' man and a few other fellow archers and they said they have never heard these noises before. it was like a extremely loud buck grunt that lasted for 5-10 seconds. "

- "I shoot my first doe at 40 yards with a muzzle loader and dropped her in her tracks. I was young and waited and from my stand and I herd the same sounds you describe except the last one had a blood gurgling in it. I shot her just behind the shoulder and got both lungs but she was still able to vocalize for 4 minutes before she past. Those sounds will not fade from memory."

- "When I was a kid I shot a big doe with my slug gun that made the sounds that you describe. The hit was poor and I missed both lungs. It was gut shot. The sound the deer made is very unnerving and you will not forget it."

Hunters posting to

<http://www.archerytalk.com/vb/showthread.php?t=408864> had this to say:

- "A few years back, I shot a doe with an old black powder rifle and hit her in the spine way to far back. She let out several screams that will always stay with me."

- "I shot a mature doe 3 yrs ago that let out a blood cur-

dling scream when I dbl lunged her, damndest thing I've ever heard."

- "several years ago i shot a squirrel with my bow. as it tried to climb back up the tree with my arrow hanging out, it was screaming loudly like a woman,"

- "I have heard the most awful noise come from a deer. kinda sounded like a dieing rabbit. Its one of things that make you contemplate quitting"

Archerytalk.com is a good source for hunters talking candidly about the horror of their "sport". Take these comments for example, from a thread about the death moans of bears posted to

<http://www.archerytalk.com/vb/showthread.php?t=1229135>:

- "I shot one this year that only went 30 yards and did the moan when he expired. Boy do they bleed a lot when they're hit well."

- "I don't know anything about it except that I don't really enjoy hearing it. Maybe if I shot the bear and it was a sure sign that I made a good shot it would be different."

- "I've seen elk, deer and antelope make that same type of bawling sound when they were dying. In every case, it was a situation that required a finishing shot."

But it's not just bears, elk, squirrels, and deer who scream and cry when shot. Coyote hunters had this to say on

www.jesseshunting.com/forums/showthread.php/235529-Coyote-Hunting-Shot-Question

- "Yeah they can cry like a dog when wounded or with a fatally hit. It is not good for coyote hunting to post videos like that, but we who shoot coyotes have some of them. If you shoot a coyote and it starts crying shoot it again and wait for another one to show up, many times another coyote will show up to what happened. Also if you shoot a coyote and it drops to the ground and starts rolling around flailing its legs shoot it again or it might jump up and run off. That's because the coyote does not know what happened and it starts to fight the shot as if something is directly attacking it. And if you shoot a coyote and it starts crying it can attract unwanted attention, so try to make all shots bang flops. I have to respect coyotes because they are one of the toughest critters compared to size and weight. **I have seen them surviving with only a half a jaw and on two legs.**"

There is no doubt – hunting is a vile, barbaric, disgusting sport and those who willingly take part in it are disturbed. Only a sociopath or psychopath could enjoy themselves when needlessly subjecting animals to such cruelty, horror and torture. C.A.S.H. is pushing for the day when all hunting is outlawed and when those who hunt are locked in jail. It's the only place they deserve.

Joe Miele is President of C.A.S.H.

Teatown Lake Reservation Directors Must be Censured for their Cruelty

Marilyn Leybra, a wildlife rehabilitator in NYS wrote, “*Knowing myself that deer don’t die from an arrow, but from running for however long it takes to bleed to death. Knowing also that many are never found when tracked, and that crippling losses are estimated as being as much as up to 50%, I’m frozen from reading about the Teatown Lake Reservation kill (cull).*” (See page 11.)

Teatown Lake Reservation uses bow hunters to kill deer after baiting them.

A veterinarian, **Bruce Hoskins**, who lives in the area of Teatown and who is opposed to bow hunting described the suffering of a deer he had encountered 12 years before. He wrote in www.lohud.com:

Of the choices available to Teatown to control their deer numbers, I find the decision to use bow hunters particularly abhorrent. A deer struck by an arrow fired from a bow will experience pain and suffering. This is true regardless of what part of the deer’s body is penetrat-



ed by the arrow. Upon entry the arrow will pierce skin, subcutaneous tissue, muscle and blood vessels. A deer’s chest and abdominal cavities are lined with abundant nerve endings. ... Approximately 12 years ago, my wife, young son and I came upon a deer wounded by an arrow at the conclusion of our hike in the springs area of Long Island. The deer had collapsed at the back of a building near the trail head and an arrow was protruding from the animal’s chest. The animal was struggling for breath and its gums were pale and its eyes were wide with fright. No hunter was in sight and it was not clear how long the deer had been there.

Hunting Perpetuates a Violent Society

A letter to the editor

As a long-time reader of the *Valley Advocate* — I look forward each week to the latest edition — I have to tell you how disappointed and offended I am to learn about your love of killing innocent creatures (“Why I Hunt” by Tom Vannah Dec. 4, 2014). Clearly, you have bought into the hunting myth, but it is obvious to me that in order to kill someone who has done you no harm and posed you no threat, you have to completely desensitize yourself to another’s feelings, as well as close down your

own. This is usually done by objectifying and commodifying that being in one’s mind instead of viewing him/her as a sensitive, thinking, feeling creature who wants to live no less than you do. **This process is what perpetuates a violent society, and shooting an unarmed other, is a bully’s act. I am truly sorry that you have revealed yourself to be a bully and a killer.**

Batya Bauman
Amherst, MA

Four-Letter Words

Guns
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Maim

Moms
Dads
Kids

Fear
Guns
Kill
Maim

Deer
Bear
Wolf
Bird

Fear
Guns
Kill
Maim

Mate - Hate - Fate

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Guns
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Maim

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BY JOHN CANNON

Vassar College announced their third cull today as students were leaving for winter break! Reported 12/19/2014 by Vassar Animal Rights Coalition (VARC).



LAW ENFORCEMENT IS NON-EXISTENT IN IOWA DURING HUNTING SEASON

BY MERLE WILSON

Two years ago, a deer hunter trespassing on my property threatened to kill me. I first tried to call a DNR warden, but he was not on duty, so I called the sheriff. The office would do nothing.

Iowa has two shotgun deer seasons in December. The first one is five days long, the second one is 10 days

long. During these seasons the DNR wardens take time off, so if you need help, you won't find it. You will get their phones with recordings that tell you to call the state police.

I called the state dispatcher last year about illegal hunters and the dispatcher told me if I can find a DNR officer, I will have him call you. 95 minutes

later, a warden called me and said, "Well, I'm in your area, but I don't see anyone."

This shows clearly that Iowa's DNR, as well as the sheriffs' departments, have given hunters here favorite son status.

THE HEAVY HAND OF GOVERNMENT WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AGENCIES GIVES SUPPORT TO BRUTAL AND THUGGISH BEHAVIOR

We are clustering the next four articles to show how the heavy hand of wildlife management steals joy and even land, and in the latter case, especially from women. The problem is not merely localized, as you will see. Rather it's pervasive and ingrained in the agencies and their clients – the hunters and trappers – across the country. From the farms of Iowa to the rural south, and to the suburbs of New York, the cruel decisions to kill the wildlife that belongs to all prevails above the voices and legal rights of those who try in vain to protect wild animals and their own property. As wildlife is pushed into more populated areas, there are more witnesses and more human victims as well. We know that you will find these exposes appalling. We urge you to contact cash@abolishsporthunting.org if you have a story to share, and/or if you would like to help bring these abuses to an end.

ROBBED - Again

BY LINDA CONTE



I have been robbed twice in the last eight months.

Last January, I was robbed of my feelings and experiences of the Teatown area as a peaceful, beautiful, quiet place where nature and people lived together in peace. A location eagerly sought, containing old stone walls, huge trees and lots of good memories - the whole Teatown area was robbed.

In February, in the late afternoon, near the red house on the corner of Spring Valley and Blinn Roads, a lone deer, beautiful between the trees, posed in the woods.

On the way down Blinn Road, toward Ossining, at about 6 p.m. that night, we were reminded again of how precious and poignant the area is, when we followed, slowly and at a distance, three young deer, beautiful, majestic and vulnerable, down the road, and watched how difficult it was for them to find a place to get off the road, a place where they could navigate the deep snow and icy conditions, to get into the woods, supposedly to safety.

Shortly after we arrived home that night at about 9 p.m. everything

changed.

On that night, thanks to Teatown "Nature Preserve", there was secrecy, trucks plowing through Teatown trails, and people in camouflage uniforms and carrying rifles. Deer, baited by Teatown during last years' difficult winter weather during an especially hard time to find food, wandered into familiar land which recently had boasted "deer snacks, pristine areas familiar to the deer as resting places, suddenly turned into deer-killing fields.

The police were called.

Later, a Teatown Lake Reservation administrator was out in the road taking pictures of the cars passing in the street and threatening local neighbors, Teatown members and supporters.

We didn't know then how many deer lost their life that night. (The shooters wouldn't talk.) We didn't know how many young deer, lost and orphaned, were suddenly alone during the monumental storm and difficult weather that followed.

We didn't know how much blood and gore was covered by the many pure white snowfalls which followed.

We did later learn that during the prolonged hunting period, eleven deer lost their lives - not the 75 deer per year that Teatown has permission to kill through 2019.

Today I was robbed again.

When I drew up to my regular dog

walking location, where I have walked our dogs year round with family, friends and new acquaintances for over ten years, in all kinds of weather, I was greeted at the park entrance by a hunter in full hunting regalia, getting ready to go hunting at the Bald Mountain Park/John Hand Park Westchester County Park entrance on Blinn Road in Croton, near Teatown Lake Reservation.

At the kiosk, he was signing in. On the ground was some equipment, including arrows.

Working with Teatown Lake Reservation, Westchester County has opened the park for hunting from 4:30 a.m. - 7 p.m. on Monday through Friday from today, October 1st through December 31st. No longer will I be taking my dog for his favorite walk; no longer can I enjoy the bird chatter and the changing landscape in the woods as Autumn arrives.

After years of enjoying the quiet and serenity of a walk through the woods, enjoying the beautiful leaves and their vibrant colors as Fall progresses, today I have been robbed of this opportunity from Monday



Please see **ROBBED** Story, Page 12

ELIZABETH O'NAN – LANDOWNER ABUSED BY HUNTERS, THE FOREST SERVICE, AND THE NORTH CAROLINA GAME AGENCY

Elizabeth O'Nan has been bravely fighting hunters on the ground and in court for many years.



Our precious Goldie, eaten alive by bear dogs

Her experience shows that laws must change and the law enforcement agencies must be held accountable as well

as the hunters.

Elizabeth reports that loose bear dogs [dogs used by hunters to tree bears] have trespassed on her property for years killing her pets. **Due to a lack of protective laws, no one can be held legally responsible for the damage.** See just some of her photos here.

Then a horrific incident occurred on public lands in North Carolina, and Elizabeth turned her attention to stopping the use of bear dogs on public lands as well. She said, *"No one should be endangered by guns or dogs when they visit our national forests."*

On the morning of Oct. 13, **Kadie Anderson** was packing up her tent to leave Nantahala National Forest in Graham County, NC, when the attack happened. About a dozen bear hounds approached the camp. Anderson had heard them coming and grabbed both



Poor, food-starved and affection-starved bear dogs on my property

of her dogs by their collars. About half of the hounds participated in the attack, Anderson said. **She thought the hunters would be close behind the dogs, but it would be 45 minutes before the men arrived!** "I kept thinking they would be here soon, but it just kept going on and on," Anderson said.

"It was pretty terrifying.

<http://www.citizen-times.com/story/news/local/2014/10/20/charges-hunting-dog-attack-graham-forest/17623053/>

The NC Wildlife Resources Commission bear biologist, said, *"I've never run into this type of situation. Bear dogs are generally interested in bears, and that's it."*

Kadie Anderson said that she suffered bite wounds to her hands and legs to protect her two Australian shepherds.

The Forest Service said *"No federal laws were broken. It's an unfortu-*

nate accident and it's sad that it happened." The Catch-22 started when Kadie reported the incident to the Graham County Sheriff's Office, they told her that any charges would have to be brought by the Forest Service.



This photo is of one of two poor little dogs who was attacked by the dogs.

Elizabeth O'Nan said, "Until we start to address the North Carolina exemptions for hunting dogs nothing will be able to be done to hold hunters responsible for their dogs' welfare or to ensure the safety of others and their pets."

Elizabeth posted this petition. **Please sign:**

<http://tinyurl.com/no-lose-bear-dogs-petition>

Petition update:

<http://tinyurl.com/bear-dog-petition-update>

Also see:

<https://www.facebook.com/justiceforkadie>

ROBBED

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through Friday until 2015. Although the park is officially still open, I cannot imagine exposing my dog and myself to possible harm, and the possible horror of finding the blood stains and the remains of a deer in the park. And, frankly, I am not anxious to visit deer killing fields ever.

Today I was robbed of the years of wonderful experiences and beautiful nature memories.

ROBBED - FOREVER!

Linda Conte has led the fight to stop the Teatown Lake Reservation culling of deer.



CONTINUING HARASSMENT AND INTIMIDATION

REPORTED BY KATHY ANDREWS



As you know, I and other property owners filed for a restraining order against a hunter. I have been terrorized by this individual and his family with gunfire around my home, the killing of my pets and farm animals, as well as the harassment at my workplace, where I had all 4 tires flattened.

This hunter called the President of the University, to have me fired and all because I wanted to live in peace on my farm without the fear of getting shot by this man and a family of hunters who have been terrorizing African Americans in Pamplico, a small town outside of Florence for years.

We lost our case in this small, rural area, and to further cause us damage, the judge ruled that we needed to pay the hunter's attorney's fees of \$7,000.

When I did not come up with the money due to this unfair ruling, a process server harassed my parents by telling them they would sell my land if I didn't pay.

I feel that the process server had no business threatening my elderly parents who have health problems, telling them that she would sell my land. The Florence County Sheriff's Dept. told me they would not reprimand her because according to this woman's "recollections," she did no wrong!

In addition, the attorney for this hunter, John David Whisenhut of Florence, wrote a harassing letter saying that he would buy the land himself if I didn't pay the money plus interest and the sheriff's fees. I sent that letter to the state disciplinary counsel for attorneys. **I did pay the \$7,000, which has only emboldened them.**

Recently I found an empty box of shells (shotgun) in my parents' mailbox. I'm sure it was just another warning to me since I was home that weekend, and the hunters are always watching my parents' house.

The hunters are still running dogs through our property! Our sign has been torn down!

[C.A.S.H. Note: **Kathy Andrews** has been bravely and single-handedly trying to keep the hunters and their dogs off of her land. She has put up with abuse by hunters and law enforcement in Florence County, SC for years. If there are attorneys who can practice in South Carolina and can help Kathy, please contact C.A.S.H. at wildwatch@verizon.net

HUNTING CLUB ILLEGALLY POSTS ON PRIVATE LAND

BY GAIL D'ALESSANDRO



Here is a photo of a tree stand that is right alongside my property line in upstate NY. It belongs to a hunting club on my eastern property line. As you can see, my surveyor tied a pink ribbon around the tree and **the club put their orange posted sign a few feet into our property** (my yellow posted sign is on the other side of the same tree)!! **Their tree stand is about five trees to the left side of my pink ribbon.** They have 60 acres of their own but it's mostly wooded, so fewer deer, whereas my property is mostly open fields because it was a former dairy farm. I worry about a

very special deer named "Socks." Notice the stripes on her feet!



Socks

ASK UNCLE JOE



BY JOE MIELE

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Dear Uncle Joe:

I follow you guys on Facebook and the thing that strikes me is that you're missing the part about hunting that makes it like nothing else. I'm a father of two adult children, one hunts with me and the other is not interested. I have been hunting with Harlon for almost 20 years and I can still see the love of the outdoors and of doing what has been passed down through thousands of generations from father to son. When we hunt he still looks like the 10-year-old wide-eyed child I took on his first hunt years ago.

We're conscious of the obligation we have toward wildlife now and in the future. We are also safety conscious and nothing happens if it does not happen safely. We both know that we will not always take home a deer, and that's OK with us.

We're responsible, respectful, and mindful of the role we play in managing the balance between nature and civilization. We're not the mindless Neanderthals you write about and we're not decimating the deer population. Just like you we're trying to make the world a little better, we just do it in a different way. Hopefully you'll be able to see one day that some of us actually care about nature.

*Michael,
Smyrna, DE*

Dear Michael:

We understand the way hunting can be a bonding experience between father and son, but for us it always comes down to the devastating effect hunting has on wildlife and habitat. You and your son are but a tiny part of the larger issue, which is that state-sponsored "wildlife management" is abusive by its very nature. Assuming you're not the kind of hunter who leaves garbage all over the place, and who doesn't trespass on private property, your impact is little. By yourselves you're not affecting the wildlife population much (though you're needlessly destroying the lives of individuals, and that is inexcusable), but when your actions are combined with those of thousands of other hunters you become a significant problem that needs to be stopped. We know that many hunters care about nature and habitat, but you're missing the most important thing – that habitat itself doesn't mean much without the life it supports. Individual lives do not matter to hunters, but individual lives are what wildlife and habitat protection is all about. It's about the mother who

cares for and raises her kits, or the lone adult who enjoys the sunshine and goes about his day doing the things he does. Hunters do not see individuals as having any value, and that's why it's so easy for you to destroy them. Hopefully, you'll be able to see one day that individuals do matter, since without individuals there is nothing. The next time you see the love of the outdoors in your son's eyes, think of the love of the outdoors that each individual animal has as well.

Sincerely,
Uncle Joe

Dear Uncle Joe:

I'm a conservationist who knows that hunting is not the problem, urban sprawl is. One of the worst things for wildlife is the game of golf. Now you probably support golf because golfers do not kill animals (trying to use your terminology here) but golf is bad for the wildlife and the environment. Golf courses are 150 acres or more of clear cut property, sprayed heavily with pesticides and aside from the animals that are present in the early morning hours before any Tiger Woods wannabes show up it's a huge area that is no good for anything. Local governments love golf courses because country clubs pay taxes but conservationists despise them because we see habitat that has been destroyed and turned into playgrounds for the rich. So Joe, why does your Committee not campaign against golf?

*Jack,
Augusta, GA*

Dear Jack:

You're right – golf courses are not wildlife-friendly areas, and we've actively opposed the efforts of golf clubs that have instituted extermination campaigns against geese and coyotes. Golf courses do take land away from wildlife as does development, and they do contribute to the toxicity of the soil. **Golf is not, however, a sport whose purpose is to kill as is hunting.** There's hope that one day golf courses will go "green," and provide better and cleaner habitat, but **there's no hope that hunting will modify itself to stop killing.**

Sincerely,
Uncle Joe

Dear Uncle Joe:

Humans have been hunting forever and unless you don't believe in evolution or natural selection you have to acknowledge that we're

been a part of the natural world since the time when land animals crawled from the sea. The wildlife you see today while camping is here because of hunters' stewardship of the land and its animals. I get it – you don't like seeing animals hurt. Neither do I. But we're a part of this web of life and like it or not wildlife is here because we've protected it and nurtured it to be here. Sportsmen benefit wildlife. I wish you could understand that.

*Markus,
West Fargo, ND*

Dear Markus,

We were here when land animals crawled from the sea? Did we get pictures?

Yes, it's clear that humans have played a hand in how wildlife has evolved over the last 10,000 or so years, but that's not necessarily a good thing. Let's think about how hunting techniques have changed, and let's look at how that has changed wildlife.

When people were hunting animals with rocks and spears, animals who were fast afoot and ran quickly and boldly through open spaces often survived. Quick moving targets are difficult to hit and wind gusts through open spaces changed the trajectory of thrown stones and spears.

But with today's high-powered rifles and bows, animals that speed off in the open do not have the advantage they once did. Those who are shy and timid hide more and often elude hunters.

Now, for a study in the Proceedings of the Royal Society B. [Simone Ciuti et al Human selection of elk behavioural traits in a landscape of fear], researchers outfitted 122 elk with GPS collars, and tracked their movements. They found two different 'personality' types: "bold runners" and "shy hidlers."

"Shy hidlers" were more likely to avoid hunters and survive, but they were at a distinct disadvantage when hunting season ended. Because of their shy and secretive nature, they became easy prey for wolves and grizzlies. So when human hunters kill off the fast and bold animals, they leave those to breed who are likely more vulnerable to their natural predators.

The moral of the story is that hunters interfere with the natural process and do not benefit wildlife in any way.

Sincerely,
Uncle Joe

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PETER'S HUMOR? C.A.S.H. apologizes if you are not amused

By PETER MULLER, V.P. C.A.S.H.

What do you call 50 hunters standing ear to ear? A wind-tunnel.

☺☺☺

What do you call a hunter with half a brain? Exceptionally gifted!

☺☺☺

In Utah --where the death penalty is by firing squad -- an environmentalist, a hiker, a hunter were sentenced to death for walking around the state without a compass. The environmentalist was going to be the first executed. The officer in charge of the firing squad asks him if he has any last words. The environmentalist yells, "Earthquake!!" Everyone is startled and starts running in all directions; the environmentalist manages to escape in the ensuing general confusion.

Once back to duty, the guards then bring out the hiker. The officer in charge of the firing squad asks him if he has any last words. The hiker yells, "Tornado!" Everyone runs for cover and the hiker also manages to escape in the general confusion.

The guards now bring out the

hunter. The officer in charge of the firing squad asks him if he has any last words. The hunter yells, "Fire!"

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A recently published article entitled "Ten Etiquette Tips For Hunters" includes the following advice:

1. Never take a beer to a job interview.
2. Always identify people in your yard before shooting at them.
3. It's considered bad manners to take a cooler, a rifle and a tree-stand to church.
4. Even if you're certain that you are included in the will, it is still considered bad form to drive a U-Haul to the funeral home.
5. While ears need to be cleaned regularly, this is a job that should be done in private using one's OWN truck keys.
6. Dating should be done mostly outside your immediate family.
7. When sending your wife down the road with a gas can, it is impolite to ask her to bring back beer.



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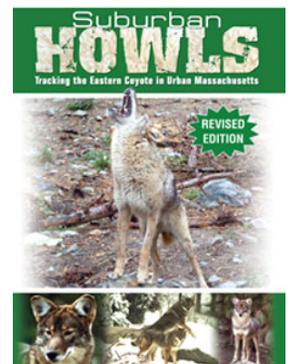
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by Jonathan G. Way, PhD With foreword by Marc Bekoff, PhD



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