

HSUS : Taking Away Our Rights

Humane Society Of The United States (HSUS)

"What comes to mind when you hear the words "humane society"? Likely your local animal shelter that takes in stray, neglected, and abused cats and dogs, promotes their adoption to new homes, and runs spay/neuter programs so that fewer unwanted animals will end up mistreated or euthanized. That's exactly what the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) is banking on. This intentional misdirection has made HSUS the richest animal-rights organization on earth. **HSUS has over \$85 million in assets. It raises enough money to finance animal shelters in every single state, with money to spare. But it is not affiliated with any local "humane societies," nor does it operate a single animal shelter.**" [1.]

"Florida legislators took funds from the state's "friends of animals" license plate away from the radical Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) after they discovered the **ultra-rich HSUS doesn't operate any spay/neuter programs.**" [3.]

"HSUS assimilated dozens of staffers from PeTA and other animal-rights groups, even employing **John "J.P." Goodwin, a former Animal Liberation Front member and spokesman with a lengthy arrest record and a history of promoting arson to accomplish animal liberation.**" [1.]

"Goodwin also fielded press inquiries after a Petaluma, California, slaughterhouse arson in February 1997, and shocked the public with his comments on the March 1997 arson at a farmer's feed co-op in Utah. **Referring to a fire that caused almost \$1 million in damage and could easily have killed a family sleeping on the premises, Goodwin told the Deseret News: "We're ecstatic."** [2.]

"Even seasoned animal-rights veterans raised their eyebrows in April 2000 when the Humane Society of the United States sent John "J.P." Goodwin as its emissary on an anti-fur junket to China. **Goodwin was not just any animal-rights zealot: he was an avowed member of the terrorist Animal Liberation Front (ALF).** Less than a year later, he would be formally identified as an HSUS legislative affairs staffer." [1.]

More Quotes From HSUS Officers and Members

J.P. GOODWIN: "We have found that **civil disobedience and direct action has been powerful** in generating massive attention in our communities ... and has been very effective in traumatizing our targets." National Animal Rights Convention '97, June 27, 1997. [6.]

WAYNE PACELLE, V.P. HSUS: "If we could **shut down all sport hunting** in a moment, we would." (Quoted in "Impassioned Agitator," Associated Press, Dec. 30, 1991) [5.] Also said, "Our goal is to get **sport hunting in the same category as cock fighting and dog fighting.**" (Quoted in Bozeman Daily Chronicle, Oct. 8, 1991) [5.]

HSUS CEO JOHN HOYT: "Don't **breed dogs, don't buy, don't even accept giveaways**" in a 1991 speech [5.]

DR. MICHAEL FOX, HSUS: "The **life of an ant and the life of my child** should be granted equal consideration" Dr Fox "inhumane society" Fox publications [5.] Also said, "Humans are different. We are not superior." **There are no clear distinctions between us and animals.**" in a 1990 interview [5.] Also said, (Expressing opposition to use of bug sprays) "Only a **few of the million you kill** would have bitten you." (Returning to Eden, Fox publication) [5.]

Animal Rights Organizations in the News

"Authorities in Ahoskie, North Carolina dropped a disturbing bombshell yesterday with the news that they had **charged two employees of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PeTA) with 31 felony counts of animal cruelty.** PeTA's Andrew Cook and Adria Hinkle were arrested late Wednesday night after police saw them dump bags containing seven dead puppies and 11 other dead animals in a grocery store's dumpster. Their PeTA-owned van, seized by police, contained another 13 animal bodies." [6.]

Recommended Websites and Internet Articles

Jim Powlesland's Hunting Page: <http://www.acs.ucalgary.ca/~powlesla/personal/hunting/rights/>

"PeTA/ HSUS the Real Story": <http://www.arbreptiles.com/extremists.shtml>

"The Trojan Horse of Animal Protectionism": <http://www.netcat.org/trojan.html>

"Animal Rights... in the Words of it's Leaders": <http://www.huntfacts.com/AR%20Dark-side%20Quotes.htm>



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