


2013 ANNUAL REPORT



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Kibou and Dr. Capaldo

President's Message

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Quotes, poetry, and lyrics give us something, like wise teachers. Every year, as one ends and another begins, I remember what words inspired me and which ones will guide me in the new. In 2013 these words did not come from someone particularly famous or powerful. Instead, what captured what matters to me – and what I want NEAVS to be – came from a popular song flooding the airwaves – "Brave," by Sara Bareilles. Here's a bit of it:

*Everybody's been there
Everybody's been stared down
by the enemy
Fallen by the fear ...
Bowed down to the mighty ...
But I wonder what would
happen if you ...
Say what you wanna say
And let the words fall out
Honestly, I want to see you be
brave ...*

In 2013, by my mother's side, I saw how big her brave was as she met the last nine days of her nearly 92-year life. I listened as people I love recoiled from their rightful needs from fear of ... something. I experienced frustration as I watched others step back from a harder line on behalf of the animals we served. In 2013, I realized with a bolt both shattering and empowering that if the animals need anything from us, they need us to be brave.

We can only serve animals in the war that sacrifices them, if we are brave. Soldiers need to be brave. Worrying what people think or how we might jeopardize our popularity can never work. Advances in social justice happen because of the bravery of those who refuse to bow to the "mighty." I am not talking about violence or aggression. It is something far more powerful than such counterproductive measures. I am talking about the power that comes from saying NO – not accepting the rhetoric, lies, half-truths which cost animals dearly.

"Brave" directs, "Let your words be anything but empty ..." As such, I must be certain my 2013 message is not of empty words. While 2013 had many successes for animals in labs, by year's end events threatened to stall the accomplishments for chimpanzees. For one, we cannot accept NIH's position that it cannot pay for sanctuary construction, which would lead to keeping its retired chimpanzees in labs unless sanctuaries find miracle money to build. We cannot rest with a message that sounds like, "Only if you build it, will they come." For decades, sanctuaries have cleaned up messes created by government-sanctioned institutions profiting from animal suffering. NIH, and all federal agencies, must accept their responsibility without further burden on sanctuaries. In our math, NIH is responsible for construction costs and to retire

chimpanzees to sanctuary. We must meet the new year with the possibility that NIH is falling short of its moral mandate to chimpanzees. We must meet the new year resolved to not allow NIH to absolve itself of responsibility to get its chimpanzees out of labs and into sanctuary.

In 2013 we won major victories for chimpanzees and the scientific arguments against their use – victories that will serve all animals in labs. However, a brave heart leaves no casualties. We can declare our chimpanzee campaign a success only when we have assured every chimpanzee that every day holds new freedoms, an abundance of fruits and vegetables, and the safety of never again being separated from a chimpanzee friend.

I promise you, whose support makes our work possible, 2014 will be a year of continued effort for all animals and one day soon every chimpanzee still held in a U.S. lab will wake and know today is a better day. Our words, will never be empty. Our work on animals' behalf – always strong and informed. In short, please remember you can count on NEAVS' brave.

Theodora Capaldo, EdD
President



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We bring you NEAVS' 2013 Annual Report – a sampling of what we've accomplished the past year.

Join thousands of others and follow us on Facebook and Twitter for up-to-the-minute posts on what's happening. Please share with friends to help spread the word!

Where does hormone replacement therapy come from?



Talk to your doctor about plant/synthetic alternatives to animal suffering.

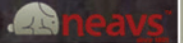


According to the Council of Councils:

"The majority of NIH-owned chimpanzees should be designated for retirement and transferred to the federal sanctuary system. Planning should start immediately."



It's time.
Let's get them all out.



"What good does it do you to test something in monkey? ...then you test it in humans and you realize that humans behave totally differently from monkey so you've wasted five years."

— Mark Feinberg, PI
AIDS research



If you care about the environment...

...think about where the toxic chemicals and body parts from classroom dissections end up.



Did you know...

Beagles are commonly used in labs, not because they are the best scientific model, but because they are friendly, trusting, and the "right size."



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2013: Breaking Common Ground

Another Major Success for Chimpanzees!

For nearly a decade, NEAVS' primary focus has been our groundbreaking campaign Project R&R: Release and Restitution for Chimpanzees in U.S. Laboratories (visit releasechimps.org). While we continued with initiatives promoting non-animal research, testing, and education, and fighting science with science through scientific papers, Project R&R remained a priority. Despite early naysayers who thought focusing on one species was not strategic and that we wouldn't win the scientific debate, we launched what we knew would be a major step forward for all anti-vivisection work.

Chimpanzees are humans' closest genetic relative. What better species to demonstrate the ineffectiveness of using animals for human health research? If our most biologically similar "animal model" led to bad science, how could any species be a good model?

Soon, other national organizations got on board providing high-octane fuel to get the job done. NEAVS' science papers showed why using chimpanzees is not good science. Our advocacy pressured the scientific community, caught the ear of elected officials, and inspired millions of supporters. Finally, in 2013 the U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH) announced it would retire some 90% of its chimpanzees from research. See our 2012 Annual Report for a summary of all the other steady advances made for chimpanzees since Project R&R's launch.

Unfortunately, much remains to be done. NIH is holding 50 chimpanzees for "potential future use." There are hundreds of privately owned chimpanzees still not retired. And NIH claims it has no funding for needed sanctuary expansion. We now run the risk of retirement in place – in the same labs they have lived for decades – an unacceptable conclusion. If this happens, "The chimps won't know it is a new day,"



In memory of beloved Dana (1960-2012), left, and Pepper (19 had the privilege of providing lifetime care (Pepper by Daniel

says NEAVS' president. "If they are forced to remain in labs – retired or not – we have not finished our work. NEAVS has plans for 2014 to make certain this doesn't happen." We have come far and remain determined to see all who have languished in labs living the rest of their lives in the safety of sanctuary.

Beyond Chimpanzees

Scientifically, chimpanzees are a cornerstone argument against animal use. Removing them from research has implications that can crumble all animal models. Building on this momentum, in 2013 NEAVS launched new campaigns that will continue to dismantle an industry based on inexcusable suffering and faulty science. We named it **Common Ground.**



70 -2012), right, the first chimpanzees for whom we Vincent Bernard).

Common Ground will secure new and powerful allies by showing how animal use is causing more harm than good, not unlike environmental pollution and the oppression of women. It links advocacy for animals with environmentalism, and supporting women in science (where discrimination keeps many down, while surveys show women are more likely to “oppose animal use”). Compassion for issues such as these translates to those of NEAVS and the importance of supporting our mission.

Common Ground includes:

- **Animal Research is Hazardous Waste** – Our investigations show animal use assaults the environment through disposal of millions of dead bodies, generation of toxic waste, incineration of carcasses and by-products, and the devastating impact of removing animals from natural habitats. Our data provides evidence for environmentalists who may not yet consider the impact of animal use.
- **Fellowship Grant for Alternatives to Animal Research in Women’s Health and Sex Differences in Research** – Partnered with the American Fund for Alternatives to Animal Research (AFAAR), this one-year postdoctoral award supports a woman committed to developing, validating, or using alternatives to animals. Along with our white paper, the Fellowship opens discussion on how research results differ between men and women, bolstering arguments of how unscientific relying on data from other species is.



Safe and Sound in Sanctuary

NEAVS remains committed to supporting those too few animals who make it out of research alive. It is the part of our work that always brings us immeasurable joy! These lucky ones suffered far too much and deserve comfort, respect, and care for the rest of their lives.

Our Sanctuary Fund assists rescues and sanctuaries caring for animals. It is the animal protection community's privilege and duty to help support the sanctuaries who carry the burden created by labs. We maintain strong relationships with the sanctuaries we support. Since 1980, NEAVS has contributed some \$4.5 million to sanctuary.



Shima (Animals Asia)



Theo (Fauna)



Job (Jungle Friends)



Drs. Jocelyn Bezner and Erin Ferris with STC's Polaris, dedicated in memory of Dana

In 2013, our funding included:

Animals Asia

Lifetime care of Shima, our adopted moon bear rescued from medicinal bile farming

Beagle Freedom Project

To purchase a rescue utility van

Born Free USA Sanctuary

To support nine baboons retired from a lab

Chimp Haven

To explore housing options to speed transfer of NIH chimpanzees

Chimps Inc.

To help with storm damage

International Primate Protection League (IPPL)

To support global efforts to end primate use, breeding, and capture, and for the care of IPPL's gibbons from labs

Jungle Friends

For rescue of capuchins and tamarins from research, and lifetime care for the capuchin, Job

Kerulos Center

For the rescue of tortoises from conservation research

Lockwood Animal Rescue Center (LARC)

Lifetime care of horses Dante, Tara, and Tie, rescued from the drug industry (see pg 8)

North American Primate Sanctuary Alliance

To provide scholarships for annual training conferences

Save the Chimps (STC)

To purchase a Polaris transport vehicle for medical emergencies

For the Ghosts

In 2013, we were honored to be invited to introduce *The Ghosts in Our Machine* at its Toronto premiere (visit theghostsinourmachine.com). The film, directed by Liz Marshall, exposes the myriad ways humans exploit animals by seeing their world through the lens of photographer Jo-Anne McArthur. In addition to promoting the film, which brings the plight of animals to new audiences around the world, and supporting McArthur's work to photograph animals rescued from research, NEAVS is sponsoring a Boston-area screening. Mark your calendar and watch for information on tickets.

The Ghosts in Our Machine

Kendall Square Cinema
Cambridge, MA

May 8, 2014 at 7 p.m.

Beagle Freedom Project van mock-up image – watch for the real thing!



Setting the Stage for 2014

Within this Annual Report's thumbnail review, we want to share a peek at how 2013 set us in motion for a productive 2014!



NEAVS VP and LARC co-founder Dr. Lorin Lindner with Tara (l) and Tie (r).

What About Monkeys?

While our years of hard work showing why chimpanzees are not an effective model for human research resulted in the Institute of Medicine declaring them “unnecessary” and NIH retiring the vast majority of their chimpanzees, this was not our only goal. It was, however, a major step.

Why would other primates be any more suitable for human health research than chimpanzees? One example of our pending work to bring public attention to monkeys comes from NIH's decision to set “minimum” conditions chimpanzees need in labs. Why shouldn't such humane criteria also apply to monkeys? It is time to appeal to the U.S. Department of Agriculture to add needed teeth to the Animal Welfare Act's provision for the “psychological well-being” of monkeys in labs. As it stands, AWA language and USDA enforcement amounts to mere rhetoric.

Empowering Women and Doctors to Help Horses

Hormone replacement therapy (HRT) drugs are a more than \$1 billion market in the U.S. However some are derived from pregnant mare urine (PMU), creating rampant suffering for horses kept continuously pregnant

NEAVS in the News

As part of our outreach, in 2013 NEAVS continued to advocate for animals through conference and event appearances, interviews, educational ads, and publishing a number of pieces. Here is a sample (for full copies contact Nate at nleskovic@neavs.org):

The Scientist blog post
January 3, 2013

“Teaching Science Without Harm”

Toronto Star
January 14, 2013

“U.S. moves toward curbing research on chimpanzees”

BBC radio interview
February 14, 2013

NEAVS president on trauma in chimpanzees.

in cramped stalls for up to a dozen years. Female foals replace “spent” mothers or are sold for slaughter with almost all male foals and exhausted older mares.

There are numerous plant/synthetically derived HRT drugs to replace the cruelty of PMU. HRT sales plummeted in the 2000s, but are coming back. New PMU facilities are opening. We are committed to exposing this industry and promoting alternative drugs. As ambassadors for our advocacy, we recently adopted Dante and funded for rescue of mother Tara and daughter Tie (horses at LARC).

One More State!

We are directing our attention to New Hampshire, the only state left in New England without a law protecting students’ right to choose alternatives to animal dissection. In 2013 Connecticut

enacted dissection choice law, leaving only New Hampshire to make New England “100% Dissection Choice.” If compassionate students who refuse to use animals are to one day change the face of science, we must protect and guarantee their right to choose not to dissect.



***The Ghosts in Our Machine* Spring 2013**

NEAVS president featured as Animal Ambassador and introduces film at Toronto premiere; guest blog post “Why Chimpanzees?”

***New York Times* letter April 30, 2013**

“Closing of [New England] Primate Center”

***Boston Globe* letter July 29, 2013**

“Industries that profit from testing stand in the way”

***Our Hen House* October, 2013**

Featured on popular animal advocacy podcast; guest blog post “Fighting Science with Science.”

In Memoriam

*In loving memory of friends
who died in 2013:*

Kitty, chimpanzee
Black Beauty Ranch

Romeo, beagle
Fauna Foundation

**Dorothy, Gromek, Jeb,
Oliver, Stella, Shakey,
Tanya, Roxy**, chimpanzees
Save the Chimps

Gussie, cinnamon capuchin
Jungle Friends Sanctuary

Maggie, chimpanzee
Chimps Inc.

Clare Haggarty
*National Anti-Vivisection
Society director of
programs and
communications*

Josephine R. Capaldo
Dedicated volunteer



The Many Faces of NEAVS

NEAVS is the “home base” from which we launch diverse campaigns and programs covering numerous approaches to our anti-vivisection mission to maximize impact. When you see any of the following, recognize us as NEAVS!

Project R&R



Project R&R: Release and Restitution for Chimpanzees is NEAVS' national campaign to end the use of chimpanzees in biomedical research and provide them permanent release and restitution in sanctuary. Project R&R is leading to the first non-human species being protected from harmful research.

Leaping Bunny



NEAVS is a founding member of the Coalition for Consumer Information on Cosmetics (CCIC) and its Leaping Bunny certification program, your best assurance that

companies and suppliers use no animal testing in any phase of production.

The American Fund for Alternatives to Animal Research



NEAVS' sister organization AFAAR provides funding to researchers worldwide to develop, validate, or implement superior alternatives to animal use in all areas of science.

Ethical Science Education Coalition



NEAVS' educational affiliate ESEC affirms the right to cruelty-free science education, providing students at all levels support for their right to non-animal alternatives.



Thank You to Our Supporters

NEAVS' good work summarized in this 2013 Annual Report was possible because of committed supporters like you. You care about animals in labs. And, you care that status quo animal research holds back scientific progress for human health. NEAVS is positioned to one day push the accomplishments of the anti-vivisection movement to the critical mass needed to tip the scales. But as a 501(c)(3) non-profit with no government funding, we cannot fuel this momentum without you. We rely on the generosity of new and longstanding supporters – extraordinary people like you who carve out time in their busy days to be informed and help.

All donations inspired by what we do matter, regardless of the amount. Please consider returning our envelope with a gift at a level you are most comfortable. Nonprofits need steady, annual commitments donors can easily make and feel good about. We can even help you set up an automatic monthly or quarterly donation via credit card in amounts of \$10, \$30, or your choosing. When you make a gift you are more than a contributor. You are a team member working for the animals we serve, and an ambassador for NEAVS in your community. Please reach out to us with questions, requests for literature, or advice about other ways you can spread our shared message. Your steady annual gift to help NEAVS tackle all we need to do makes you and NEAVS invaluable to the animals depending on us.

Thank you to all and a special thank you to our Leadership Circle who support NEAVS annually at \$500 or more. To learn more about this and the benefits of joining, or for any other questions about gifts, please contact Karen at 617-523-6020 ext. 12 or kbeach@neavs.org.

Year-end Financials*

2013 Operating Expenses

• Programs	80.90%	.....	\$698,276
• Development	12.18%	.....	\$105,122
• Administrative	6.92%	.....	\$59,753
			<u>\$863,151</u>

2013 Contributions & Income

• Investment Revenue	55.77%	.....	\$973,781
• Contributions	9.41%	.....	\$164,284
• Bequests	34.81%	.....	\$607,880
• Other	0.01%	.....	\$211
			<u>\$1,746,156</u>

*Audited financials for 2013 available May, 2014

Leadership

NEAVS is comprised of experts in genetics, law, sociology, psychology, toxicology, great apes, veterinary medicine, and other areas. We bring credible evidence and effective strategies to our hearts' work on behalf of animals in labs. For information on NEAVS and Project R&R's boards and advisors, visit neavs.org and releasechimps.org.

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A sampling of gratitude for NEAVS

I can't tell you how much I appreciate your support of NAPSA – from the very beginning ...

-April Truitt, Primate Rescue Center

I am impressed with the way [your Project R&R] information is put together on your website in a sensitive but not sensational manner. On behalf of the 83 chimpanzees we have "R&R'ed" in Nigeria and Cameroon, thank you for your good work!

-Liza Gadsby, Limbe Wildlife Centre

... [With] a major new initiative to combat the bear farming industry, this year is especially challenging. Your funding is super well-timed. Thank you for being so kind to the bears.

-Jill Robinson, Animals Asia Foundation

Thank you for your dedicated support, generosity, and all you do for chimps everywhere.

-Triana Romero, Save the Chimps

We cannot thank you enough for your extremely generous donation ... I have long been an admirer of yours and feel so honored.

-Shannon Keith, Beagle Freedom Project

Many times this past year I have received inspiring messages seeking to convey the great opportunity humans beings have to realize ... some sense of their connectedness to all life ... None put it more eloquently than your message.

-Dr. Mark Schufman, member

When Dr. Capaldo gave her endorsement of the film on stage at our World Premiere, I was very moved. It is so beautifully written – so soulful, and such an honor to receive.

-Liz Marshall, The Ghosts in Our Machine director

Congratulations of the highest order to you for the years and years you have spent in your unrelenting and passionate advocacy for research chimps. It's miraculously paying off!

-Carol McPherson, member

I so appreciate your recent analysis of the [research] differences between the sexes ... Your detailed comments are – as usual – original and profound.

-Georgiana Morrison, member