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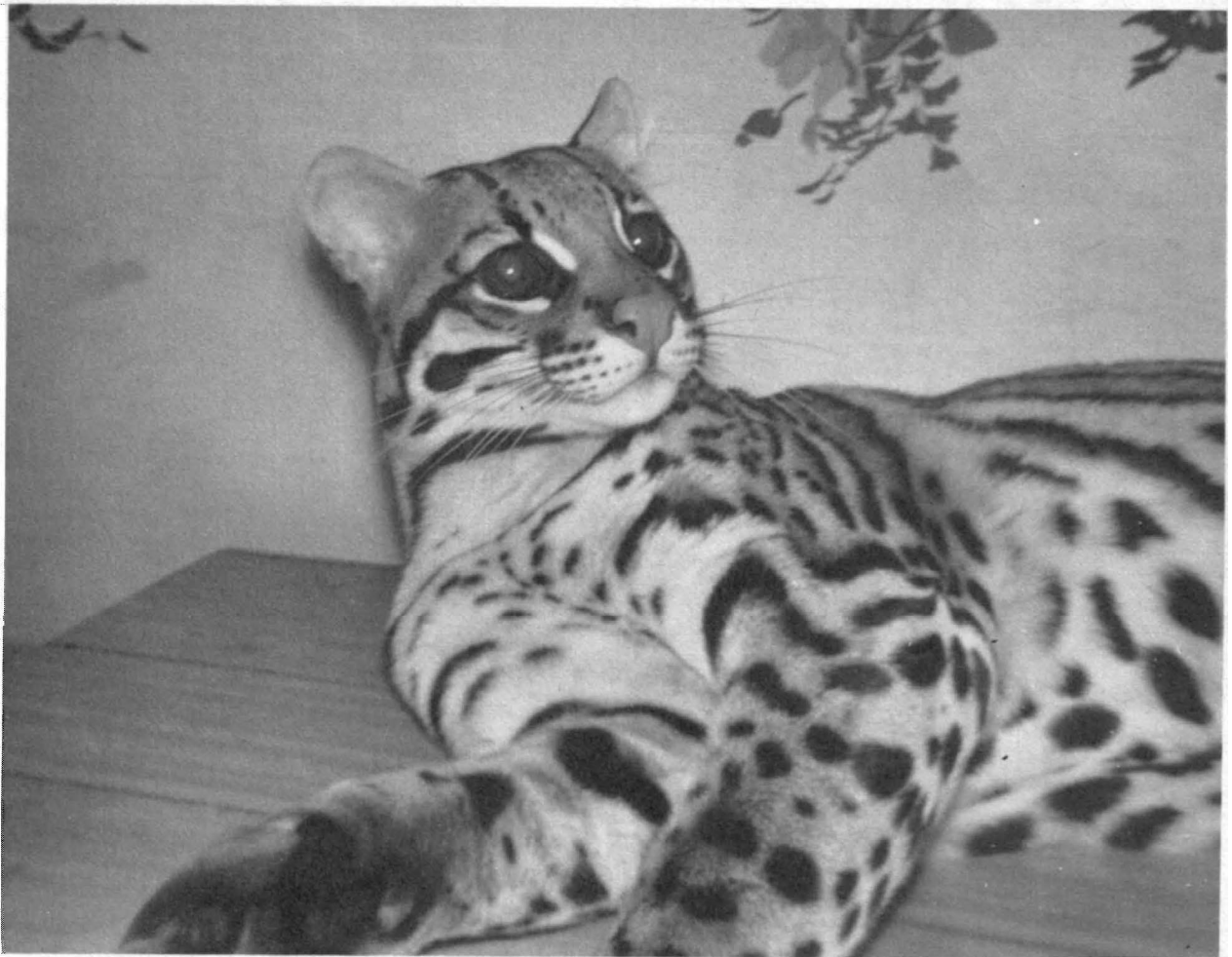
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Especially during this time of the year we like to remember old friends. Shown above is one very special friend who, although no longer with us, will never be forgotten - BRUTUS 1962-1971. Brutus is immortalized through Mike Balbo's drawings which illustrate so lovingly the every facet of the pets we love. Thank you Mike and Brutus for sharing this love with us.



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We'd love to hear from you.

*Shirley*

# And Now Tina

Hi, my name is Socorro. I'm just an ordinary, everyday, run of the mill cougar. But, in many ways I'm very special. At least my human parents, John and Rebecca Duke, think I am.

I live in a large chain link cage surrounded by trees and bushes, and I even have my own swimming pool. Yes, life is pretty easy.

You see, about two years ago, the Dukes decided they wanted an exotic cat and, after much debating on which kind, they adopted me. I was only five weeks old and don't really remember being loved and cared for and being given everything a growing cougar needs. Although I never realized just how lucky I was until a little while ago.

Then, my human daddy was paging through one of the local newspapers when an ad caught his eye. It read: For Sale, one ten month old female cougar - \$900.00 and a phone number.

Thinking that the day would soon come when I would need a mate he decided to give them a call. We found that Tina lived in a small neighboring town and that her owner had decided to move into an apartment and no longer wanted her. After talking to them awhile, my daddy told them the price was too high but gave them our phone number.

About a week later they called us and asked us to take her; so Tina moved in with us. She wasn't the strong healthy cougar we had been told about....she was really in sad shape.



Socorro & Rebecca



Tina & John

Tina came to us weighing about thirty pounds. She limped as she walked and she couldn't jump. You see, Tina had also been adopted into a human home when she was only a small cub. Only her owner didn't know how to properly care for her. He didn't realize that a growing cougar needs lots of vitamins and calcium. So, instead of growing up healthy and strong, Tina has been sick and has a bad calcium deficiency...almost to the point of rickets. Every time Tina tried to jump she hurt her back legs. In fact, our vet said it looked as though her hips had been broken several times.

Tina has spent the last few months in the house where she could be watched extra close, and given lots of extra love. We have also been giving her Vitamieson and calcium glutinate. Slowly she seems to be pulling through.

Of course, her hips will always show where the broken bones healed incorrectly, but she feels better and is running and jumping without much trouble now. In fact, she just moved into her new cage - right next to mine.

We spend lots of time talking through the chain link fence dividing our cages and maybe, someday, if the vet says it won't hurt her we may have cubs.

Until then we would appreciate hearing from anyone who has had experience with calcium deficiencies or knows anything that might help speed Tina's recovery.

The Dukes,  
Socci, John & Rebecca and Tina too!

# LEGISLATIVE REPORT

## USDI CLARIFIES ENDANGERED SPECIES PROHIBITIONS

The following is reprinted from a release of the Department of the Interior dated October, 1974.

The Endangered Species Act of 1973 places new restrictions on the taking and trafficking of certain animals. At this time there are no "threatened species" designated and all statutory restrictions apply to those animals listed as "endangered species" under previous legislation. **Such list may be found in the regulations of 50 CFR, Part 17.** This sheet briefly outlines the exclusions, prohibitions, and permit procedures under the Endangered Species Act of 1973. More specific information may be obtained from the statute itself.

### EXCLUSIONS

Endangered species (live or products, such as coats, rugs, hunting trophies, curios) which were held in captivity or in possession on December 28, 1973, and not held in the course of a commercial activity are exempt from the Act and may be freely traded throughout the lifetime of the animal or product. Commercial activities include trades and barter, as well as direct sales.

Endangered species held by a public zoo (municipal, county, state or Federal zoo, or nonprofit institution) on December 28, 1973, will be considered to be excluded from the prohibitions unless, on that date, the animal was the subject of an agreement to sell, barter, or trade. However, endangered species held on December 28 by commercial zoos (those operated for profit) are all subject to the prohibitions.

All progeny of endangered species held on December 28, 1973, are covered by the Endangered Species Act and the prohibitions apply. Progeny for this purpose includes animals born after December 28, 1973.

When the endangered species (live or products) which are exempt from the prohibitions of the Endangered Species Act by virtue of the above exclusion are transferred or shipped interstate, documentary evidence supporting this exclusion should be included in the shipment or made readily available.

### PROHIBITIONS

The Endangered Species Act of 1973 prohibits, among other things, the following activities with regard to endangered species covered by the Act:

(1) importation, (2) exportation, (3) taking (under certain circumstances) and if an animal is illegally taken - possessing, selling, delivering, carrying, transporting, or shipping, and (4) commercial activities in interstate or foreign commerce, including delivering, receiving, carrying, transporting, shipping, selling, or offering for sale.

### ACTIVITIES NOT PROHIBITED

Interim policies have been adopted to clarify the above prohibitions. These are reflected below:

(1) In relation to (4) above, the prohibition applies only if interstate or foreign commerce is involved and it is in the course of a commercial activity. Although it is extremely difficult to resolve, except on a case by case basis, what constitutes "interstate commerce" or a "commercial activity" there are several situations which are clearly not interstate commerce or commercial activity, and therefore are not prohibited. These are:

(a) Shipment of endangered species in interstate commerce where the purpose of such shipment is to place the animal on loan to another individual or institution. If the receiver later obtains a permit under the Act, the animal may be legally purchased by the receiver at the time he receives the permit.

(b) Shipment of an endangered species in interstate commerce where the purpose of the shipment is to make a bona fide gift to another individual or agency without any assurance or any gain or profit by barter, credit, or any other form of compensation whatsoever. This is permissible even if at some future time in a totally unrelated transaction, the original receiver ships a different animal to the original donor as a gift, and again there has been no assurance of any gain or profit by barter, credit, or other form of compensation. This must be, however, two separate transactions, neither of which took place in the course of a commercial activity.

(c) Shipment, sale, transfer, or transportation of an endangered species where all aspects of the transaction take place entirely within one State.

(2) The Act prohibits the sale, or offering for sale, of endangered species. However, the sale of an endangered species in interstate or foreign commerce would be legal if a permit was obtained prior to the sale. Therefore, endangered species may be advertised for sale provided that the ad contains a statement similar to the following: "This offer for sale of an endangered species of wildlife in contingent upon the receipt by the purchaser (or the seller in the case of exports) of a valid permit for the transaction issued by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service."

### PERMITS

For an endangered species covered by the Act a person must have a valid permit in order to engage in an activity which is prohibited. Permits may only be issued for scientific purposes or to enhance the propagation or survival of the affected species. No permits may be issued for purely display purposes. In addition, certain transactions may qualify for a permit under the economic hardship provisions of the Act; however, this only applies to newly listed species.



Permit applications should be submitted in accordance with Federal regulations contained in 50 CFR Parts 13 and 17. New regulations are being developed, but in the interim you may refer to those regulations in Part 17 designed for the Previous Endangered Species Conservation act of 1969. Until final regulations are implemented, it will provide guidance as to the nature of the information required.

Permit applications must be complete in order to be processed. In addition, permit applications must be published in the Federal Register, and a public comment invited for 30 days. Therefore, it takes approximately 60 days to process an application and issue a permit once a complete application has been received by the Service. In some instances a longer time period is required.

In order to offset the administrative expense entailed in the consideration and issuance of permits, a \$50 permit fee must be submitted for endangered species permits.

Continued. ➡



Who should apply for the permit? Where the situation is a multi-party transaction, and all of the parties are within the jurisdiction of the United States, the certified application must come from the party who is going to utilize or purchase the animal. If a permit is issued for the transaction, the authorization within the permit will name the seller as authorized to sell and to ship in interstate commerce the animal which is the subject of the permit. This avoids unnecessary duplication of permits.

In the export situation, we only accept applications from the party within our jurisdiction, that is, the exporter. The exporter is required to provide all such information from the foreign party as is deemed necessary to make a judgement on the issuance of the permit. Because of the possible complication of checking information from foreign sources, the processing of applications for export transactions may take substantially longer than a normal permit.

#### CALIFORNIA PASSES NEW LEGISLATION ←

California's SB 1766 (The Behr Bill) in the final form is drastically different from the original proposal reports Shirley Nelson. Shirley reports that the original fee of \$3.00 was changed to "Fee in the amount to be determined" which is unreasonable since all other Fish and Game permits have a specified fee. It covers "any animal which is not normally native to this state as determined by the Commission". It covers entry, transportation, keeping, confinement or release of any and all wild animals which will be or which have been imported into the State, and the possession of all other wild animals. The Department MAY issue a permit to import, possess or transport wild animals upon determination that the animal is not detrimental or that no damage or detriment can be caused to agriculture, native wildlife, to public health or safety or to the welfare of the animal.

It is interesting to note that "the welfare of the animal need not be a determining factor in the issuance of a permit if the animal is expressly used for research purposes at a recognized biomedical research facility" WHY NOT?

Payment of a nonrefundable application fee is required in an amount to be determined.

Owners shall mark all animals to the satisfaction of the Department and shall not transfer such animals or progeny to any other person without prior approval of the Department. It appears this will have to be amended or an amendment to the Endangered Species Act will be of little use in California.

None of these provisions shall prevent any City or County from enacting ordinances relating to the possession or care of wild animals provided such ordinances are MORE restrictive.

Enforcing officers shall from time to time examine the conditions under which such species are kept and report to the Department any SUSPICION or knowledge of any disease or violations of the conditions of the permit. The enforcing officer may order the transfer of the animal to new owners or the correction of the conditions.

In Santa Clara County, California the District Attorney refused to prosecute the case involving the keeping of a mountain lion wherein the County had refused a permit - He advised them to issue a permit.

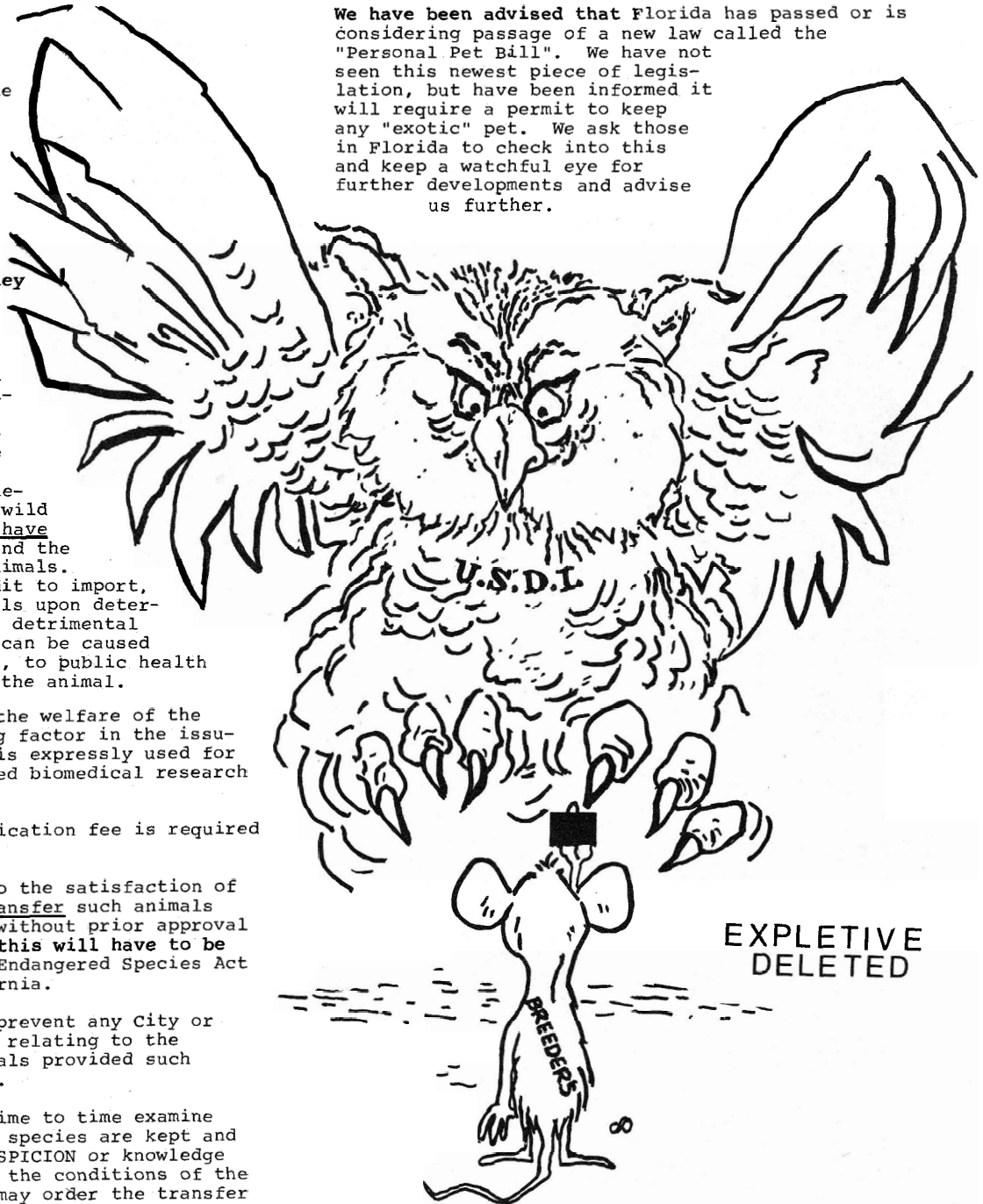
In Union City, California, the Council advised animal control to refrain from any further action in the case of two persons owning mountain lions wherein the City Manager had refused permits although the ordinance specifies the requirements under which a permit was to be issued and these requirements had been met.

In Mountain View, California, the City has refused to allow exotic pets in certain areas of the city and action is still pending on this case.

The ACLU (American Civil Liberties Union) has won a case in California concerning the keeping of kinkajous against the wishes of the Fish and Game Department. This is a good source of help if your rights are being infringed.

#### NEW LEGISLATION IN FLORIDA

We have been advised that Florida has passed or is considering passage of a new law called the "Personal Pet Bill". We have not seen this newest piece of legislation, but have been informed it will require a permit to keep any "exotic" pet. We ask those in Florida to check into this and keep a watchful eye for further developments and advise us further.



**\*\*THANK YOU** to Shirley Nelson for the detailed information on legalities going on in California and to B.J. Lester for calling our attention to the pending Florida legislation.

# Christian

BY KIM & JANE BAETJER

It all started when I lost my 8 month old male ocelot Tippy Two Toes (see Tippy's story in Vol. 16-#5 and Vol. 17-#1) from brain damage. Every possible thing had been done from him, but I truly believe that he was not meant to live. I had to have another ocelot and this directed me straight to Charles & Sadie Douglas in Orlando, Florida, who had a week old little male. We rushed up to Orlando to see him and couldn't leave without knowing he was ours so we left a deposit. Five weeks later we went back and picked up Christian.

Christian was on solid food which included ground beef with fortified calcium and Vionate vitamins, chicken hearts and gizzards, egg yolks, etc. I was aware of the dire need for calcium in exotics so I gave it to him each mealtime. As time when by Christian grew, and grew, and grew, and I knew he was going to be an exceptionally big ocelot. His daddy "Mike" was a beautiful 50-55 pounds. When Christian was six months old he weighed 18 pounds, which was far above normal for a domestic born ocelot that averages 2 pounds a month. He



was six months old when one morning I noticed he would not eat, was having difficulty in urinating and when he did, it was pink. We immediately rushed him to the vet and he diagnosed it as cystitis. Cystitis is a bladder infection caused by numerous factors including bacterial and viral infections, diets containing high mineral concentrations low water intake, vitamin A deficiency, etc. Any and all of these factors can contribute to a urethral obstruction causing death in as little as 8 hours unless proper medication is administered. There are three classes

of drugs which account for the generally agreed upon treatment of cystitis.

First, since it is impossible for most exotic owners to perform a urine culture, a broad spectrum antibiotic might be administered in the assumption of a bacterial infection.

Secondly, there are several drugs available to lower the pH of the urine and make the environment of the urinary tract less suitable for bacterial growth, and thus minimize crystallization. Such products include: Ethylenediamine Dihydrochloride (Chloretamine - Pitman Moore), Methionine, and Vitamin C. Chloretamine is our choice as it seems less toxic and less irritating to the stomach than the remaining two.

A third medication may also be desirable if the cystitis may have gone unnoticed for a period of time, that is, one of the available drugs used to relax the urethral to help pass calculi.

These three categories of drugs are meant to be used collectively and not individually as neither one constitutes a completely sufficient treatment.

In case of severe blockage catheterization is a must, and the choice of anesthesia is even more critical if the possibility of impaired renal function exists. Such choice should surely be left to the veterinarian.

In 24 hours after medication, Christian was back to his normal mischievous self again, but was kept on medication for ten days. Six months later Christian came down with cystitis again and was treated with the same medication as the first time - Hetacin, Renzol, Chlor-Ethamine. The medication has always proved effective in Christian's case (knock on wood). We also noticed that the two times he came down with cystitis we had moved our residence, and feel the stress possibly could have influenced the cystitis to flare up. We have also cut out the fortified calcium as he gets enough calcium in his chicken necks. Since we cut out the fortified calcium supplements, Christian has not had cystitis in a year.

I would like to mention that if you suspect your exotic might have cystitis, put a clean, white paper towel in his potty pan each day to check the urine color and catch it immediately. This helps if you are not able to watch your cat closely at all times. We also do urine tests to test acidity of his urine regularly.

Christian is now a beautiful 47 pounds at two years of age and has just recently moved outside into an enclosure with our other 11 exotic children.



## Silver Springs Expanding

Silver Springs in Ocala, Florida has a small zoo in connection with their reptile institute. They are now planning a naturalistic habitat along the Silver River for other wildlife where the animals will be behind a specially designed fence so visitors can see them in the actual Florida woods. It is a lovely setting, I visited it behind the scenes recently.

Friends of the Gray Whaleys might be interested to know that their cougar from Canada named "Pu", a very large male, is now living at Silver Springs. Pu lived with Dave Salisbury for a while, then was donated by the Whaleys to "Wild Kingdom" which went bankrupt. The cougar was bought from Wild Kingdom by ABC Corporation which has been operating Silver Springs for eight years. For more information on Silver Springs write Tom Cavanaugh, c/o Silver Springs, Ocala, Florida.

B.J. Lester.

## Missing Issues?

If, in the move from Somerville to Mobile, we have misplaced your membership, please let us know. You should have received 5 Newsletters to date this year. If you are missing any issues please let us know and we'll be glad to send you those you may have missed.

Write: Pepper Perry  
1536 Dearing Road  
Memphis, Tennessee 38117

She will be glad to check on your membership and advise if there is a problem and let you know quickly what needs to be done to rectify the problem if there is one. We value each and everyone of you and want to make sure you each receive the Newsletter promptly this will keep you informed and give you the opportunity to act quickly on issues before us.

# KENYA

## Study of Feline Diseases Proposed

By Shelley Starns

Kenya is a serval. He is 1½ years old and this is his fourth and final home. With his arrival a wish of the past has come true. Since the moment I first saw a picture of a serval, I knew that I must someday have one. Now my hopes are that we will be able to get a mate for Kenya. Kenya has more than fulfilled every expectation we may have had.

For the past year we have become accustomed to the whims and wishes of a bobcat named Demetreus. Now we're "learning the ropes" of a serval. At this point they're as different as day and night.

Kenya, with very long, slender legs is much larger than a bobcat. He weighs about forty pounds and stands about 24 inches tall. His ears are very large, larger than the average exotic's. Kenya "talks" very little, but occasionally makes little groaning noises. He is extremely playful and very strong.

There are many signs that point to the fact that he will probably be very affectionate and kind to all people when he finally adjusts from his life in a game farm to life in the Starns household.

We would like to hear from other members who have servals. There are so many things we have to learn and at this point one month of life with a serval is the only experience and references we have.

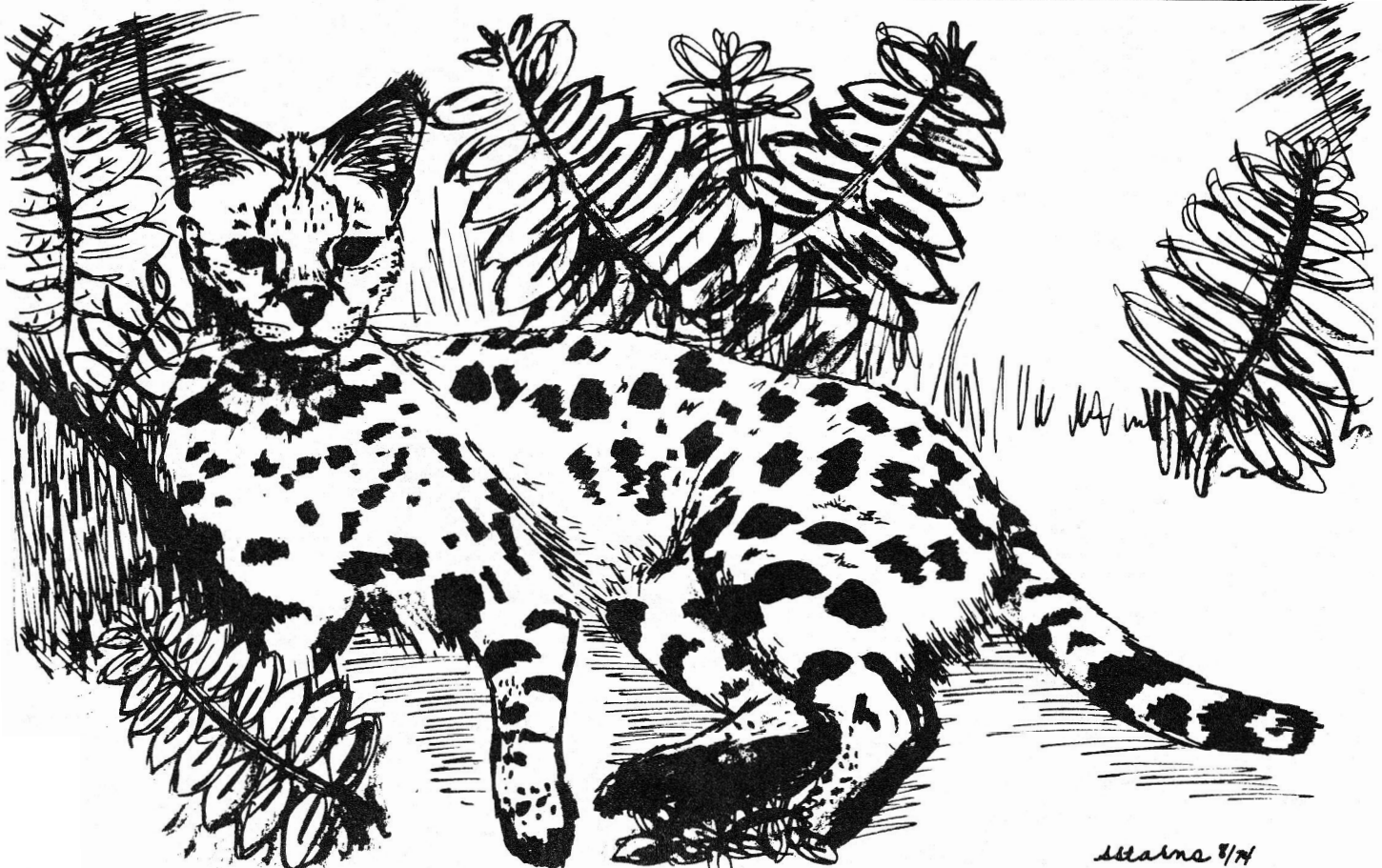
Shelley & Terry Starns  
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Tacoma, Wa. 98409

"A free leaflet is available on feline diseases from the Morris Animal Foundation, 531 Guaranty Bank Building, Denver, Colorado 80202" reports B. J. Lester.

Much research is being done by this foundation on felines. A feline upper respiratory disease panel is planned for their annual meeting in June of 1975. Upper respiratory infections in cats are of great concern because they are easily spread wherever cats gather, and they may defy treatment. The Foundation will gather vets and scientists from around the country who are familiar with the problem to formulate a plan for combating these diseases.

Solutions to other cat diseases such as picornaviruses, cystitis (urolithiasis) and distemper virus (panleukopenia) are also being studied. One approach in prevention of cystitis was taken at Colorado State University where scientists performed a pilot study for a broader study to use alanine as a means of preventing calculi in cats. However, funding for the cat diseases projects is needed by them (and the Morris Animal Foundation before all studies can be completed.

**KNOW  
YOUR  
VETERINARIAN'S  
TELEPHONE NUMBER**



"KENYA"

# Readers Write

Dear Shirley,

Seems as if I've put off writing when I've questions, so I'm going to hit you with everything at once.

I was re-reading the Newsletter for July/August today and noticed something I had missed before, a letter from Jean Huber suggests the use of vitamin C for cystitis - terrific! I hope it works. Unfortunately, she failed to say that the symptoms she described also apply to bladder stones, or urinary blockage, then giving vitamin C and waiting 3-4 days for results will harm your cat - quite possibly kill it. Please clarify this in the next Newsletter.

I know that our exotics are in danger when put under anesthetics, but there are many different kinds of anesthetics and wonder if it has been found which types were used in both successful and unsuccessful instances? I work as a veterinary assistant and the vet I work for told me he had been advised to use the normal amount of Ketaset for anesthesia on siamese and exotics but to add Acepromazine (one part for each 10 parts Ketaset). Supposedly, this was only to relieve the stiffness the Ketaset produces in these cats - I was wondering if there were other favorable results noted from this combination. This was the first time I had heard siamese and exotics grouped together and now I am wondering if their bodies react alike in one way under anesthesia. Siamese are not noted for dying under anesthesia any more than is the ordinary domestic.\*\*

I have some original needlepoint designs that I have made from drawings of exotics. I have done our two ocelots, an ocelot belonging to a friend and an African lioness. I work from graphs or "charts" and wonder if you think it a good idea to see if any of our members would like to purchase a copy of the charts plus instructions with the money to go to the Legal Fund?

There is always the "Booster Time" reminder in the Newsletter, but so many owners I know seem to think the only booster they need is distemper. Could you also remind them of the other boosters & vaccines which are needed. I vaccinate for both distemper and pneumonitis and have begun their shots for rhinotracheitis. The drug salesman told me that once a year is sufficient but the company pamphlet recommends every six months - I intend to follow the latter course.

Sincerely,  
Jo Sullenger

**\*\*EDITOR'S NOTE:** We'll be discussing ketaset (also known as ketamine) in the next issue. If any of you have had experience with this drug please let us hear from you. Also see the the request for record keeping on page

Dear Shirley,

It has been some time since I have written anything to be published in the Newsletter but here I am with an update on my ocelot Tigrea.

During last winter, Tigrea had put on a considerable amount of fat, due to not having as much exercise as he normally has. He reached 65 pounds and really looked terrible. I put him on a diet, one that would take time for him to lose the extra weight, yet not hurt him and his health. I fed him six days a week and on the seventh day he would not get anything at all except his roughage. Now I have him back to his normal 50 pounds and he sure looks better. I learned a lesson which I believe I will never forget as I almost lost Tigrea to his weight problem.

This winter, I have started feeding him half of what he normally eats during the more active months seven days a week. So far, his weight has not changed and on his last check-up he got an excellent health report.

Judy Reynolds.

## NATURAL TOYS

Dear Shirley,

Like everyone else, I'm always searching for "toys" for our exotics. I have finally found a solution to the problem.

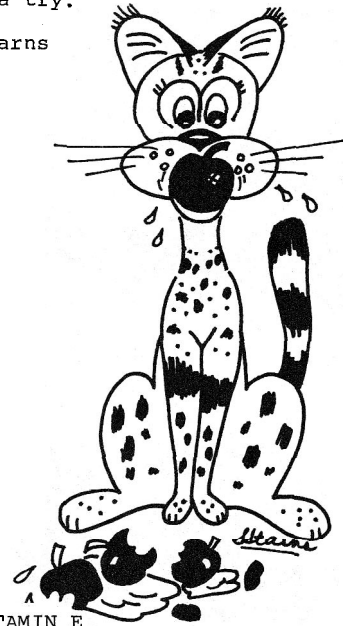
I have always been worried when I supplied our bobcat Demetreus and our serval, Kenya with toys - even supposedly "safe" ones - the chances of them eating them was a cause for concern.

One day they solved the problem. I was freezing apples and the basket of apples was being robbed blind! They loved to play and snack at the same time. Then it was a crate of potatoes. While the bobcat got a lot of exercise and didn't really eat much the serval would completely demolish the potato.

If you don't mind a little temporary mess, I have found they like most all uncooked fruits and vegetables including: apples, carrots, cucumbers, corn on the cob, potatoes tomatoes (what a mess!) and celery.

Its worth a try.

Shelley Starns



## MORE ON VITAMIN E

Dear Shirley,

In regard to Jean Hubers article, I would like to relate my experiences with Vitamin E.

To begin with I did a little research on my own. Knowing several domestic cat breeders, having over 100 cats, I asked their opinion.

Surprisingly enough, their claims were fantastic:

- a. E will produce easier delivery (if given before)
- b. E will make tissue heal more completely.
- c. E will bring male testicles down.

I decided to experiment on my domestics first. After several litters I felt an improvement was apparant.

My main objective as to have a bobcat with both testicles down, large and functional. My reason being that, from what observations I have made, those bobcats that were lacking were not potent breeders.

I started with 500 units a day and worked up to 1,000 units in four months. At five months Jakes (my bobcats) testicles were both down. I should like to add, my Vet was a little shocked to say the least. Jake has not sired a litter yet, but not because he hasn't tried (everything). Of course Jake was given large doses of all vitamins.

My feeling is that this is just one experience and that when trying anything new, one should proceed with caution.

From the owner of a very sexy kitty,  
Ginger Bordwell



Dear Shirley,

A short notice for you that I have succeeded in stopping two hobby fur-farmers here in Germany (one case still pending.)

Unfortunately, I did not succeed because they were fur-farming the ocelots, but only because they were keeping and feeding the cats so badly. What is proper care here is decided by the local zoo director.

There is nothing one can do about the big fur farm here in Germany. You can, as probably all over the world, fur farm any animal here in Germany, they also do it with brown and red tabby domestics!

My own ocelot, Pardelino, is from this farm; he was one of those males who did not have the right markings and colors - these are sold as pets. They are careless as is any professional animal dealer in the choice of homes for the kittens, so you just do not know which is better, to be sold and die due to bad treatment or to be slaughtered at the age of two years. I spontaneously took him with me when I visited the farm to see what they were doing with the cats I love so much. He was five weeks old then. I hope you and the cats are all well.

Sincerely yours,

Heidi-Marie Fahrenholz  
Ringweg 10, Germany

Dear Shirley:

I received my first copy of the Newsletter today, and wanted to let everyone know how happy I am to be a new member.

I am a licensed exotic cat trainer and have worked for several zoological gardens and private parties for many years. I have always worked primarily with the larger species but recently I became the owner of Sam a 2½ year old margay and reading other members' experiences with margays has already helped me to understand him better.

I wanted to know if there are any members in the southern California or L.A. area with a female they wish to breed. Sam is always ready. He is really a beautiful animal and in good health. If so, you may print my address and telephone number.

Thank you very much,  
Freda Bozurich  
Torrance, California  
(213) 542-2836

Hi Shirley,

I'm prompted to write regarding the "flea problem" by Shelley Starns in the last issue. We were just simply going crazy with the same problem this past summer. Our vet suggested that we take the regular flea collars and air them out for several days before placing them on the cats. We used a typical three month collar, opened the foil package and hung it up for about a week and put it on our margay, oncilla and persian. Fia had a reaction so we took hers off for a week and then replaced it. After three months, I'm happy to report NO FLEAS and no side effects. Applause to Dr. George Reed.

Sincerely,  
Donna Taylor

\*\* Editor's Note: Our vet reports the No Pest Strips can be used also - allowing them to dissipate for a week or ten days before placing them near the cat's quarters but of course safely out of reach. We do caution against using either the collars or strips around pregnant cats or young kittens.....there are suspicions that this may cause brain damage in some cases - better safe than sorry!



## Books

### Cheetah

By Randall L. Eaton

This book offers no plot and no cute or even entertaining story line. It does offer an examination of the cheetah and the forces that threaten its survival. The author has used his own experience with the cheetah both in the wild and in game parks as well as carefully documented studies of others to draw his conclusions. It is a factual book on the life history, ecology, conservation, social behavior, reproductive and captive behavior. Although it certainly is not light reading, it is a thorough study of this fascinating animal and is well illustrated with photos and graphs clearly depicting all related studies.

Van Nostrand Reinhold Company  
450 West 33rd Street  
New York City, New York 10001

Price \$12.50

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### Hope for Eastern Cougar?

A recent article in the Washington Post by Charlton Ogburn, gives us hope for the Eastern Cougar. The cougar was pronounced extinct east of the Mississippi around the turn of the century with the exception of about 100 in the wilds of Florida. Since 1966 however, there have been several sightings in the Appalachians. It was pointed out that although hunting of the western cougar is still permitted in the western states it is now listed as a big game animal and kills regulated rather than being listed for bounty.

Sightings of eastern cougar in the last five years have come from Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Maryland, Missouri, North Carolina, Pennsylvania and Virginia. Should the cougar make a comeback in the east, we are sure to see laws permitting shooting them to protect livestock. An official of the Fish and Game Department of a New England state commented on the comeback of the cougar this way, "If the status 'endangered' was decided on as the cougars' official status in the northeast, it would not guarantee his future here if he does exist. The last cougar, without question, would be shot without ceremony and the shooter would become a celebrity."

# HODGEPODGE\*

## Animal Immobilization Record

Investigator \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 SPECIES: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Wt. (pounds) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Free Ranging \_\_\_\_\_ or Captive \_\_\_\_\_ Animal Condition \_\_\_\_\_  
 Purpose of Immobilization: \_\_\_\_\_

Treatment:  
 Drug: \_\_\_\_\_ mg. Dose: \_\_\_\_\_ Dose vol: \_\_\_\_\_ Route: \_\_\_\_\_ Site: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Injection Time: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

Visual Drug Effect from time of first Injection:  
 1. \_\_\_\_\_ Min. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ Min. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. \_\_\_\_\_ Min. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_ Min. \_\_\_\_\_

Time of Immobilization: \_\_\_\_\_ Analgesia: \_\_\_\_\_

Sedation Reflexes:

Corneal: \_\_\_\_\_ Pedal: \_\_\_\_\_ Auditory: \_\_\_\_\_ Muscle Relaxation: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Sweating: \_\_\_\_\_ Body Temp: \_\_\_\_\_ Pupil Dilations: \_\_\_\_\_ Salivation: \_\_\_\_\_

Comment on Drug Effect: \_\_\_\_\_

Reversal of Drug:

Drug: \_\_\_\_\_ mg. Dose: \_\_\_\_\_ Dose vol: \_\_\_\_\_ Route: \_\_\_\_\_ Site: \_\_\_\_\_

Injection Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Reversal Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Condition of Animal: \_\_\_\_\_

Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

Olympic Game Farm, Sequim, Washington

## OESTRUS & BREEDING CHART

**FEMALE:** Species \_\_\_\_\_ Name or No. \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_  
 Primigravida \_\_\_\_\_ Multigravida \_\_\_\_\_ Unknown \_\_\_\_\_ Captive \_\_\_\_\_ Hand-reared \_\_\_\_\_

**MALE:** Species \_\_\_\_\_ Name or No. \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_  
 Proven \_\_\_\_\_ Non-proven \_\_\_\_\_ Unknown \_\_\_\_\_ Captive \_\_\_\_\_ Hand-reared \_\_\_\_\_

First Date of Oestrus \_\_\_\_\_ Last Date of Oestrus \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Date M&F Put Together \_\_\_\_\_ Date M&F Separated After Mating \_\_\_\_\_

Date 1st Obs. Breeding _____	No. of Matings _____	a.m. _____ p.m.;	Ejs. _____ a.m. _____ p.m.
Date 2nd Obs. Breeding _____	No. of Matings _____	a.m. _____ p.m.;	Ejs. _____ a.m. _____ p.m.
Date 3rd Obs. Breeding _____	No. of Matings _____	a.m. _____ p.m.;	Ejs. _____ a.m. _____ p.m.
Date 4th Obs. Breeding _____	No. of Matings _____	a.m. _____ p.m.;	Ejs. _____ a.m. _____ p.m.
Date 5th Obs. Breeding _____	No. of Matings _____	a.m. _____ p.m.;	Ejs. _____ a.m. _____ p.m.
Date 6th Obs. Breeding _____	No. of Matings _____	a.m. _____ p.m.;	Ejs. _____ a.m. _____ p.m.
Date 7th Obs. Breeding _____	No. of Matings _____	a.m. _____ p.m.;	Ejs. _____ a.m. _____ p.m.
Date 8th Obs. Breeding _____	No. of Matings _____	a.m. _____ p.m.;	Ejs. _____ a.m. _____ p.m.
Date 9th Obs. Breeding _____	No. of Matings _____	a.m. _____ p.m.;	Ejs. _____ a.m. _____ p.m.

Date 1st Signs of Pregnancy Noticed \_\_\_\_\_ Date Litter Born \_\_\_\_\_  
 No. Born \_\_\_\_\_ m \_\_\_\_\_ f; No. Born Alive \_\_\_\_\_ m \_\_\_\_\_ f

Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

## Records Vital to Research

Without accurate record-keeping it is impossible to make valid observations on our animals and those things that affect their welfare over a long period of time.

The Olympic Game Farm has long kept accurate records on their animals and feels that this has greatly contributed to their breeding successes. In an effort to obtain information from a broader range of animals and thereby broaden our knowledge in number of species and individuals thus adding to the whole, we ask that you cooperate with them in their task.

Of foremost importance to us all is a safe, effective means of sedating our cats for operations or other medical reasons. Shown at left is the Immobilization Record the Game Farm uses. If you find it necessary to anesthetize your cat please ask your veterinarian to keep the information on this form for the Game Farm. By compiling such data we can learn much about how the various species react to the different types of anesthetics. Your cat's reactions to the medication used will be invaluable in establishing a guideline for others.

For breeding research, the Oestrus & Breeding Chart can be used. Bill Hodge will keep us informed on products of this information. These forms are available by writing to him at Rt. 3, Box 903, Sequim, Wn. 98382.

By helping Bill, we will be helping ourselves in that mortality rates from anesthetics should decline with our increase of knowledge. Bill is asking zoos and other game farms to report their procedures also, thus giving us even a broader base of information on which to base our conclusions.

For those of us who have been lucky in our breeding attempts, Bill asks that we keep a record of the kitten's weight, and body temperature and other pertinent information, such as whether or not it was hand raised and if so with what formulas. This will give us a good idea of norms for the various species and which formulas obtain the best results.

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\* We have been receiving so much valuable information from Bill Hodge and the Olympic Game Farm, that we felt they were entitled to a column head-all their own. HODGEPODGE will be a regular thing in the Newsletter thanks to the efforts of this dedicated bunch and the great work they are doing.



## MID ATLANTIC STATES BRANCH

### MEETING REPORT November 17, 1974

The November meeting was held at the home of Erik and Dee Stevenson, with a total of 19 members attending. Dee read her response from Senators Clifford Case and Harrison Williams concerning the Endangered Species Act. It will not go to the Senate floor til next year due to other pressing bills before the Senate.

The minutes of the September meeting were read and accepted. Also, rules and regulations for Mid-Atlantic States Branch were read and accepted by the branch members. A copy will be sent to our President, Ken Hatfield. It was agreed that all guests attending the meetings should sign a release form releasing the home owner and L.I.O.C. of any responsibility at the time of the meetings.

Rules and laws by the State of New York and New York City were distributed by member Betty Human from Connecticut.

A local veterinarian who is very interested in exotics attended and members felt free to ask professional advice during the day.

An eleven week old cougar named Jo-Jo dominated the meeting with his adorable antics. Ocelots Sheena, Moka and Mala II took the entire day as a mere passing of time, but their beauty and elegance was admired by all guests.

Menu of the day consisted of Ziti with meat sauce, oven fried chicken, baked ham, salads and a delicious home made clam chowder.

Plans for the next meeting to be held in January in the South Jersey area were made. Members will be notified in the usual manner.

Plans for the yard sale was discussed, it will be held in June. Coordinator, Dee Stevenson asked all members to get together any items that would be saleable. A raffle was held and won by Ellen Neuhauser.

The meeting was closed and the members sat about talking cats for the rest of the day. The attendance was quite a welcome sight and goodbye's were difficult as usual.

Respectfully submitted,  
Henrietta Largmann

## Antibiotics in Urinary Tract Infections

General principles of antibiotic therapy should be used, however certain factors that have a profound influence on antibiotic effectiveness in urologic infections should be emphasized.

Urine pH modification is a must on some antibiotics for the best results. Sodium bicarbonate given orally can modify pH toward alkalinity, and ammonium chloride given orally to increase acidity. The pH of fresh urine can be determined by the use of a pH indicator paper one can get from any drug store for around \$2.00 a roll that also has a color chart.

Some antibiotics are greatly concentrated in the urine as compared to blood levels (100 to 200 X). These are the most desirable drugs to use. If the concentration is not great, any increased fluid intake will give an increased urine volume and may dilute the antibiotic concentration below the level of efficiency.

The following table of drugs is made up of drugs in which the pH is very important. These drugs are highly dependent on the pH levels.

ANTIMICROBIAL DRUG	pH	5.5	6.0	6.5	7.0	7.5	8.0
Erythromycin	o						+
Neomycin	o	+	+				
Nitrofurantoin	o		+				
Streptomycin	o					+	+
Chlortetracycline	o		+				
Chloramphenicol	•					+	+
Cephalothin	•						
Sulfonamides	ø					+	+

- o - pH is very important
- - pH is not important, but is not the best
- ø - pH is not important except as it affects solubility
- + - Indicates optimal range

### In My Opinion....

Catherine Cisin, the founder of L.I.O.C., started it to be of help to ocelot owners and I'm sure this is the way it should still be. However, a few would like it to be otherwise.

I do not believe anyone who belongs to L.I.O.C. and does not attend Branch meetings or has missed two meetings in a row should be dropped from the Branch mailing list. It may be that they no longer wish to go to drinking parties where the social end is more important than the feline end. I also believe that each branch should have a vote on any branch by-laws, etc. I hope I'm not making anyone mad by expressing these views, but Branches should be put back into the hands of the members and not in the control of a select few, to the detriment of the majority of dedicated members. This is of course aimed at the Cascade Branch with the hope it will stop and think and do a better job in the coming year.

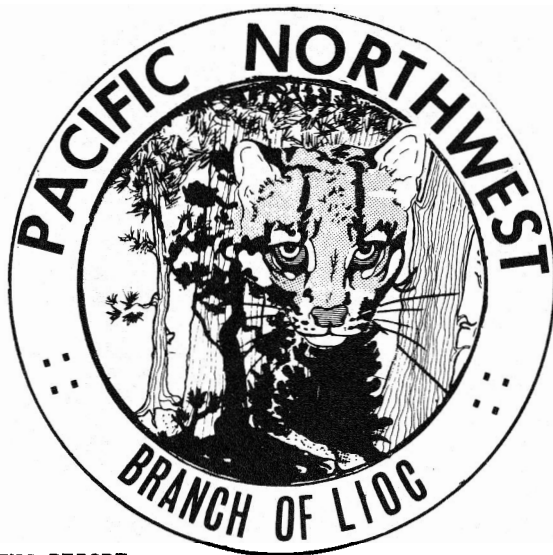
*Bill Hodge  
Olympic Game Farm*

Remember the  
Ocelot Census  
It's IMPORTANT



Report your ocelots and any kittens  
you may have bred to Ken Hatfield





#### MEETING REPORT September 15, 1974

Our September meeting was held at the home of Ginger and Wally Bordwell in Shelton, Washington. It was a beautiful day and a beautiful drive. Members from Portland to make the trip were Linda Morse and Larry Palmer with Teddy Bear cougar, Kay and Jim Franich with Aaron cougar, Gayle, Clem, & Pat Schaecher with Skeeter ocelot, Ethel Hauser with Punkin (Skeeter's sister), Theresa and Richard Johnson, Len and Pat Parker, Vivian Twigger, and Herb and Barbara Wilton. It was also nice to see Shelley and Terry Starns from Tacoma.

Gayle read the minutes of our previous meeting and gave the treasurer's report. It was noted we made a \$250.00 donation to the legal fund after the convention expenses were paid. Shelly read us the minutes of the last Cascade meeting.

Most of our discussion was on feeding tips, etc. We learned at Convention. Everyone felt that the work involved for the convention was well worth it for the information we received and the friends we finally got to meet.

We discussed several money making projects so we can make some contributions to both the legal fund and the Game Farm.

We wish to thank Shelley Starns for the beautiful pastel drawing of a lion she brought for our raffle, which netted us \$16.00 and was won by Ethel Hauser.

Fried chicken and corn on the cob furnished by Ginger and Wally really made the day.

Our next meeting will be for election of officers and we are hoping for a big turnout.

Respectfully submitted  
Barbara & Herb Wilton  
Co-Coordintors

#### MEETING REPORT

Our November meeting was held in the home of Herb and Barbara Wilton. Even though we had horrible weather outside, we had a good turnout. It was a very important meeting as it is the time of year for the election of new officers.

We had five new members attending for the first time: Guy Elliot, Andrew Gjesdal, Linda Hauser, and Allan and Kathy Maulding. Allan and Kathy are the only new members with a cat - they have a domestic Toy Leopard kitten named Freckles. He's eight weeks old and a doll.

One of the main topics was having Club insurance. We feel that we need something since our Branch does display our cats at Bake Sales, Yard Sales and lately we have been taking the cats to different schools at least once a month and giving the children talks on

the different cats we take. The children are so pleased and excited with the different species. Right now, we are in good shape as we have many kittens in the group.

Cats going to different schools are: Max, adult ocelot with his two kittens Punkin and Skeeter, Tiki, female adult margay, Tara, female bobcat kitten, Aaron, male cougar kitten, Keele and Kelo, male and female lion cubs, and Freckles, male toy leopard kitten.

Of course there is still talk of the tragic thing that went on at the Olympic Game Farm a few months back. A Mr. Brown in our area who is not a member, is trying to get a fund started to help them out. Our branch is unable to do anymore than what we are already doing, but we decided to put our Branch behind the fund that Mr. Brown is starting. We donated a third of our treasury to this cause.

Among our guests were Robin and Pam Hood with their eight month old female cougar. Kitty is so very small and if we get them join it will be nice to have another cougar around.

Linda Morris gave a talk as to Teddy Bear, cougar, being the mascot of Doernbecker Hospital. It is one of the largest children's hospitals on the West Coast.

There are a couple of members that are having trouble with the City of Portland in obtaining permits to keep their cats in the City. I'm sure we will have trouble, but have been working quite hard in getting things changed in our favor. We think that with the public appearances we have been making with the cats we might have a chance.

We elected new officers and they are:

Ginger Bordwell - Coordinator, Ethel Hauser-Public Relations Chairman, Gayle Schaecher-Secretary/Treasurer, Marvin Happle-Ethic Chairman, Linda Morris-Ways & Means Chairman, Barbara Wilton and Linda Hauser-Historians.

After the meeting was ajourned, we sat down to a potluck dinner of steak and dumplings with all the trimmings.

Respectfully submitted:  
Gayle Schaecker

# STOP HR 16458



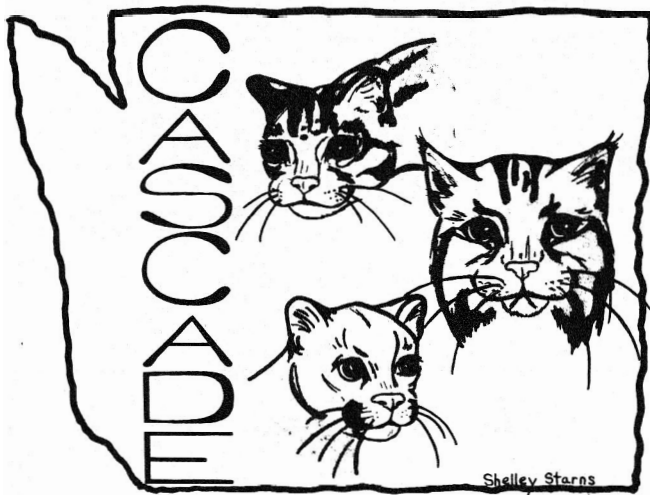
#### Meeting Announcement

Our next meeting will be held in Dallas on January 25th, 1975. Since this is our winter meeting we will be indoors and are looking forward to our speaker, the director of the Dallas Zoo....hopefully accompanied by one of the new white leopards born there in September. Notices will be mailed to all members with directions, time, etc. If you are not a member of SW but would like to visit with us as we start the new year off contact:

Rebecca Duke  
Secretary S.W. LIOC  
3022 Mayhew  
Dallas, Texas 75228

Phone: (214) 279-8864





#### MEETING REPORT October 27, 1974

The October meeting of the Cascade Branch was held at the home of a new member, Lila Dahl, who lives in Bothell, Washington. We had our first full day of rain in quite some time and the majority of the members apparently decided to stay in the dry comfort of their homes! It was a no cat meeting, but T.R. (Trouble), a five month old cougar baby, who belongs to Steve & Barbara Knowles made an appearance.

Before the meeting started, we were introduced to two guests; they were: Mary Hilleck of Seattle and Eva Kenis who made the trip down from Canada.

We had two new members, Carol & John Ellis from Surrey, B.C. who have a 50 lb. male ocelot. Welcome to Cascade!

Bill Boyle (our Coordinator) couldn't make it to the meeting so I was nominated "coordinator for a day". Because of the few members attending, we didn't attempt to complete much business.

Liz read the Treasurer's report and told us that we made approximately \$58 at our September meeting for the Legal Fund. We decided that the monies we earn for the Fund will be sent to Ken on a quarterly basis.

Proposed insurance for the branch was discussed, but we decided to wait to make a decision until more of the membership was present.

A letter from the makers of Zu/Preem was read concerning the availability of Zu/Preem in Canada. The letter stated that it could be purchased from: Pitman-Moore, Ltd. 15 Greenbelt Dr., Don Mills, Ontario, Canada. Also, if vets carry Hill's Prescription Diets, it can be bought from them.

We had no more urgent business, so we adjourned to Bingo and a wonderful lunch prepared by Lila and her Daughter, Barbara Knowles.

Those attending were: Liz Ghent, Mary Hilleck, Melvina Hakanson, Richard & Evelyn Dyck, Carol & John Ellis, Eva Kenis, Terry & Shelley Starns, Lila Dahl, Steve & Barbara Knowles, and Pete Dykstra.

Pawsitively Loving Purrers,  
Shelley Starns, Secretary

**ARE ALL MEMBERS REFRAINING FROM  
CASTRATING OR SPAYING THEIR EXOTICS?  
TO KEEP YOUR CATS WHOLE IS TO CON-  
TRIBUTE IN A SMALL WAY TO CONSERVATION.**



#### MEETING REPORT

The Central States Branch held their December meeting early. Our meeting was in a restaurant where we made reservations and had dinner together then got down to business.

We decided to send our second donation to the legal fund. Members passed around their latest pictures of the cats while we discussed business. We discussed how we were going to use the pine cones sent us by the Hatfields and keep the price of the finished product to a minimum. We also discussed starting a second project soon after the first of the year. This was a short discussion as we can't think on such short notice where to begin.

Kenneth Ebling is interested in owning golden cats and would consider a trade with his huge cougar - one of the largest any of us has ever seen and a really beautiful cat.

Respectfully submitted:  
Ilene Mashev

#### VOICE OF NATURE

Once upon a spring morning  
Beauty filled the air.  
Melodies of the forest birds  
Happily sung with care.

Whispers of the bear,  
Whispers of the deer,  
Whispers of the tiny animals,  
Here, there, and everywhere.

On cold winter nights  
And warm summer days  
They come and see me,  
And this is what I say.

Come my little children,  
Come and lay by me,  
For I am they mother  
That once cuddled thee.

For I am thy mother,  
Who protected thee from man,  
Who burned our homes and houses  
Who burned all our land.

Who hunts us for food,  
Who hunts us for sport  
Many we mustn't trust  
For he destroys us.

And He'll destroy thee  
Like he's almost destroyed me.

By Vonda Hodge, age 11  
Daughter of Bill & June Hodge  
Olympic Game Farm  
Sequim, Washington



# Outside Looking In

BY: Dottie Mulford

Kay Cisin and I met via a phone conversation - an appointment was made for Harry Cisin with the dentist and the call finished with a discussion of cats! I detected the sound of tears in Kay's voice and I inquired why. She explained the recent loss of their great love, Carlotta. My heart went out to her with a great understanding for I had just lost a beautiful blue maltese tabby, age 22 years. He was a very lovable cat named Patrick.

Kay's empathy for exotics and their owners, and would be owners can never be put in print because it is so deep and I do not have the words to express it.

I became acquainted with cats, large and small at the LIOC annual picnics at the Cisin's home, always held in September. It was great fun and an informative gathering with loads of good things to eat - especially Kay's deviled clams. I found these great people very outgoing and friendly with sincere pride and concern for their cats.

Through my association with Kay, I have been privileged to attend several branch meetings around the country and have met some truly great people. Among the unforgettable is Roger Harmon and his beautiful Safari; Dave Salisbury and Sultan, who I met at Convention I in Dallas; Ken Hatfield our present President and his many lovely animals. Ken has a saying which is my favorite when applied to all exotic owners - "We're all a bit tilted."

I have met so many wonderful people in LIOC and although I am a bit prejudiced but a non-owner all the same, I feel there is something very special about all the folks who have dedicated their lives to these beautiful animals. They are dedicated with a true concern for the animals who share their lives.



MARGAY.....

.....A JUNGLE JEWEL  
OF SPARKLING SPOTS  
AND SHINY STRIPES  
AGLOW IN THE DARKNESS  
OF A TREETOP TIFFANY's.

By B. J. Lester



# New Members

1923-1174 Roseann McKenna, Norco, California  
1924-1174 Larry Tavis, Union City, California  
1925-1174 Freda Bozurich, Torrance, California  
1918-1174 Don Matthews, Flint, Michigan  
1926-1174 Dr. Sidney A. Smith, Dallas, Texas  
1919-1174 Danny Demonbrun, Pearland, Texas  
1922-1174 Elmer L. Morgan, Farmers Branch, Texas  
1920-1174 Larry & Barbara Hall, Conroe, Texas  
1921-1174 Gary Williams, Dallas, Texas  
1927-1174 Linda Marchando, McMurray, Pennsylvania

WELCOME FOLKS!

# Before Surgery...

The National Cancer Institute still needs your help in collecting tissue samples from the exotic cats to help in their research programs. If you are anticipating surgery please contact them first. A tissue sample taken from your cat (it won't hurt him) may be vital in saving someone's life through this research.

Please contact them prior to surgery at the address below or call collect identifying yourself as a member of the Long Island Ocelot Club. It won't cost you anything but a minute of your time and it may be invaluable to their cause....please help.

Contact: Marie Purdy  
National Cancer Institute  
Viral Leukemia Branch  
Landau Building, Room C-306  
Bethesda, Md. 20014  
(301) 496-6135

# FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Has it ever occurred to you that in our social system the politician is enabled to reach a position of responsibility without ever having any training?

He serves no apprenticeship. He masters no course of study. He need pass no examination as to ability. He receives neither diploma nor a license to practice. The veterinary who doctors our cats is required to show more careful preparation for his calling than is the politician who seeks to assume the RIGHT to direct not only our industrial but much of our personal life.

**Booster  
Time?**

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

B. J. Lester recently checked the Endangered Species List for us and reports the following felines are still listed there: Tiger cat (oncilla, little spotted cat), cheetah, eastern cougar, jaguar, leopard, Formosan clouded leopard, snow leopard, Asiatic lion, Spanish lynx, margay, ocelot, Florida panther, Barbary serval, and the tiger.

This list is available from the Department of the Interior free of charge. There is a general info section, prohibited acts and restrictions as well as permits in the front of the list. It take about two weeks to arrive.

# Tercera's Tumor

While I probably have mis-spelled it, her veterinarian reports that Tercera's pathology report indicated "Epulis" -- which purports to be another way of saying a benign tumor.

It all started before Friday, September 27th when the area between her lip and jawbone erupted like an abscess emitting pus. Additionally, she had had blood in her stool which would be indicative of infection. She was hospitalized that Friday. The next day, Dr. John Andresen of Riverhead Animal Hospital, Riverhead, New York, performed the surgery which removed the tumor. After she was anesthetized (a long familiar experience)\* the doctor x-rayed her once again, finding one lung normal while the other, once again, showed a shadow. Again, he tapped the lung. He inspected her teeth which appeared "sound". Judging from the way she crunches chicken necks, I'll go along with that statement.

On Sunday, September 29th, Tercera came home, somewhat thinner and with all indications of cough and of discomfort gone. Her appetite was enormous. In three days, her coat was once again beautiful. By her eleventh birthday, October 13th, she had regained her matronly weight. Regardless, she gets her full quota of Zu/Preem and raw chicken necks. Her birthday treat was the meat from cooked turkey drumsticks.

*Catherine Cizin*

\*Tercera was anesthetized the first two times when she was a year old for the removal of her claws. Since the job left something to be desired, the next two or three "trips" were under the guidance of Dr. Theodore Zimmerman of Mt. Vernon, N.Y., who attempted to relieve the infections which developed in her toes, probably from claw regrowth. Bill Engler anesthetized her in 1969 in Florida to rectify the original faulty surgery by total removal of the first phalanx in each offending toe, restoring her feet to comfort. Dr. Andresen "put her down" twice recently as mentioned above.

## Gift Subscriptions for Christmas

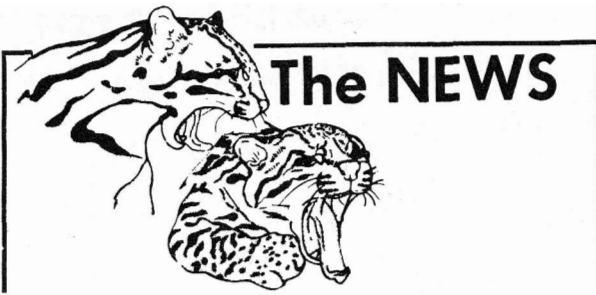
Christmas is almost upon us and in order to help you with your shopping we're offering a gift subscription to the Newsletter for \$7.50. We are combining this offer with our new membership drive - therefore this offer is available only to NEW members.

Please make sure you mark your application as NEW MEMBER and send them to Pepper Perry. This is a great way to introduce someone to LIOC and help the sagging budget.

Memberships are available for your government representatives at a cost of \$5.00. Please include an alternate representative's name when ordering such a membership as we're sure to have duplications and would like to cover as many of those in Washington as we can.

Applications go to:

Pepper Perry  
1536 Dearing Road  
Memphis, Tennessee 38117



### THE WORLDS CATS - VOL. II

This second volume, edited by Randall L. Eaton, covers biology, behavior and management of reproduction in the wild cats of the world. It is based on the proceedings of an International Symposium held at World Wildlife Safari, Winston, Oregon, during 1973. It is available at \$12.50 from:

Feline Research Group  
Woodland Park Zoo  
5500 Phinney North  
Seattle, Washington 98103

### COUGAR FOR A PRICE

Sports Afield carried in their October, 1974 edition an advertisement for hunting mountain lions in Arizona. For \$300 Mr. Weldon Hopman will provide the hounds and horses and the hunt, "\$500 when you kill your lion". It seems the season is open year round for puma in Arizona. Mr. Hopman operates from 1800 Meadowridge Rd. Prescott, Arizona.

Along these same lines, many members report seeing similar adds in local papers around the west, several guarantee a kill. We ask those of you breeding and selling cougars to check very carefully on prospective buyers in order to make sure these cats don't end up as a "guaranteed kill".

### LION COUNTRY SAFARI IN TROUBLE

Lion Country Safari officials in Atlanta, Georgia say the company has been forced to default on a seven million dollar bank note according to a recent Associated Press release. A spokesman blames a drop in attendance at Safari parks in Florida, Georgia, California, and Texas. The parks offer a drive-through look at wild animals. None are expected to close.

### A ROSE BY ANY OTHER NAME.....

Members on the west coast are reporting a new breed of cat, in fact two - toy leopards and toy snow leopards. The deal is similar to the old chinchilla ploy where you buy a "franchise" and are given a pair to start you on the way. The asking prices for these "toys" are in the neighborhood of \$500 to \$700. And what exactly are these new breeds? They are a cross between the leopard cat and domestic. The toy leopard is an offspring of a domestic shorthair and the toy snow leopard is the offspring of a domestic longhair, more commonly known in our circles as bengal cats.

### FROM THE JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA ZOO

The Jacksonville Zoological Park has a pair of jaguars. The female is spotted but the male is black. In the past year they have produced four black kittens. The babies were hand raised by zoo personnel. Their pair of ocelots is also producing and have just produced their second litter of kits - a male and a female, which the mother is raising. Rumors have it that these kits are available.

## L.I.O.C. NEEDS YOU!



SEASON'S  
GREETINGS