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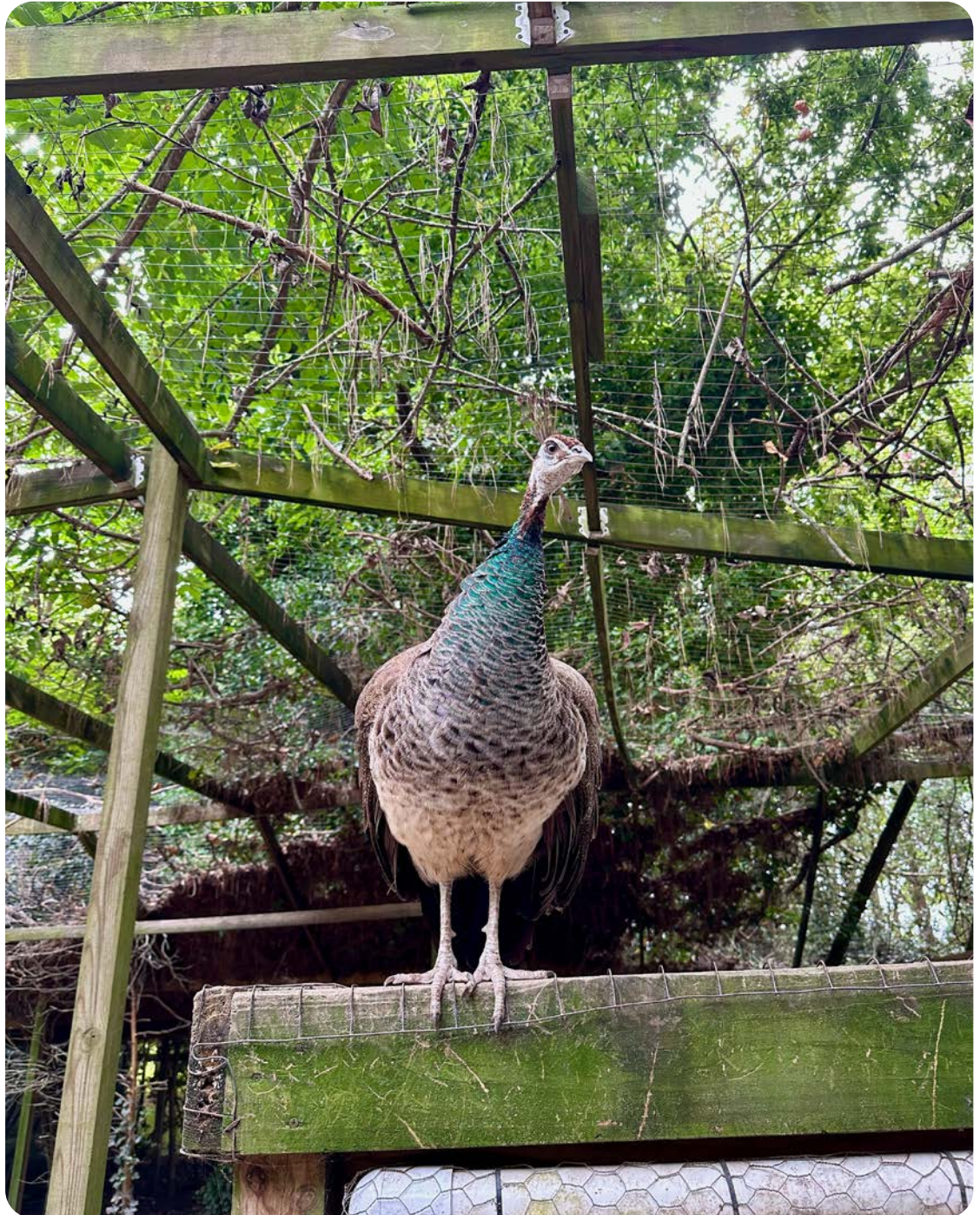


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The Humane Hoax: Essays Exposing the Myth of Happy Meat, Humane Dairy, and Ethical Eggs

Hope Bohanec, Editor

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Review by Karen Davis, PhD, President,
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If I could (gently) shove this book down everyone's throat, to read and digest the information in it, I would.

Each essay in *The Humane Hoax* provides information about a particular facet of "alternative" animal farming with an analysis of the behavior and attitudes toward the animals ranging from smarmy sentimentality to gleeful sadism. Contributors explain how farmers and advertisers manipulate language to reassure the public – and in some cases themselves – that they "care" about the animals and even "love" them as they cut their throats. Or, conversely, how much they despise their victims. There's an audience for that, too.

I don't know who are more repulsive: the sentimentalists who invoke "spirituality" to justify their violence, or the sadists who revel in the violence they inflict and not only the violence but the egotistical euphoria of turning their cruelty, betrayals and killings into narratives about themselves in their "authentic farmer" personas. The "spiritual" killers, including the "Do It Yourself" (DIY) coterie, employ "spiritual language to make killing seem compassionate or benevolent," yet how often do they refer to the animal "being comforted and appreciated" as "it"? (p. 292). To wit, one of the books discussed is called *Killing It*.

Femivore Power!

There's the school of suburban women, known as femivores who, bored with their comforts and resentful that men still dominate the workplace, are eager to show *someone* who's boss.

To remedy their plight, these women decide to "authenticate" and empower themselves by leaving their cushy careers, often as journalists, to reinvent themselves as farmers on a farmstead mucking around in mud and manure after trading their high-heeled sneakers and

jogging clothes for rubber work boots and overalls. One woman describes killing a possum with a shovel: "Caught up in protecting my babies, I had become a savage." Later she carries a trusting white duck into her house, puts him in the bathtub, and decapitates him with pruning shears. "He quacked and swam around for a few minutes. . . . The duck went from being a happy camper to being a headless camper. I plucked and eviscerated him outside on a table" (p. 75).

Such tales, and worse, of female "self-empowerment," and "animal control" are regaled in giggly humor like pubescent girls vying for who can be the meanest bad girl in middle school. Pathology and a malevolent Will to Power abound in these women's stories. But oh if they had suddenly to live alone on a farmstead with no audience, no lucrative book deals and publishing contracts, no opportunity to enthrall themselves and their readers with their "shocking" memoirs, their pleasure in hacking off the heads of baby animals, cutting throats, and "surprising the hell out of" unsuspecting victims and joking about the mothers' display of grief – if all of these down and dirty delights were all they had, day in, day out, their enthusiasm would wane pretty fast. Telling their stories is the thing. The animals, their subjugation, bewilderment and defeat, are the instruments of the femivore's celebrity fulfillment. Moreover, these women's vengeful treatment and mockery of the animals suggest a projection of personal self-hatred onto their victims and a displacement of "getting even" with men by punishing the animals – at last, some justice!

False Love

Femivores parade their contempt for the animals. By contrast, the "spiritual" slaughterers or "honor killers," employ a rhetoric of "love" and "sacrifice" and "respect." In one reverential neighbor's account, a DIY herbalist "sings" to her sheep "and straddles them like she's riding them and then cuts their throat.* "She calls it 'giving death.' I haven't seen her do it," the neighbor admits, "but she says they're always calm and accepting of their fate. She's very clear that it's a gift."



Plenty more of this schlock is quoted in the essay, a key point of which is that these DIY honor killers first absorb the animals into their egocentric abusiveness before absorbing them into their stomachs. In their telling, the victims have no subjective experiences of their own, no agency except that they are “always calm and accepting of their fate” and willing sacrifices. This “spiritual bypass” form of self-confirmation uses language as “an instrument of one’s selfish pursuit rather than a means of overcoming self-centered egotism” (p. 296).

Together, the femivores, the honor killers, and all manner of animal-based locavorism and foodie culture rob the animals of agency, a fact among many others that is “unacknowledged” (p. 252).

Sick Sadism

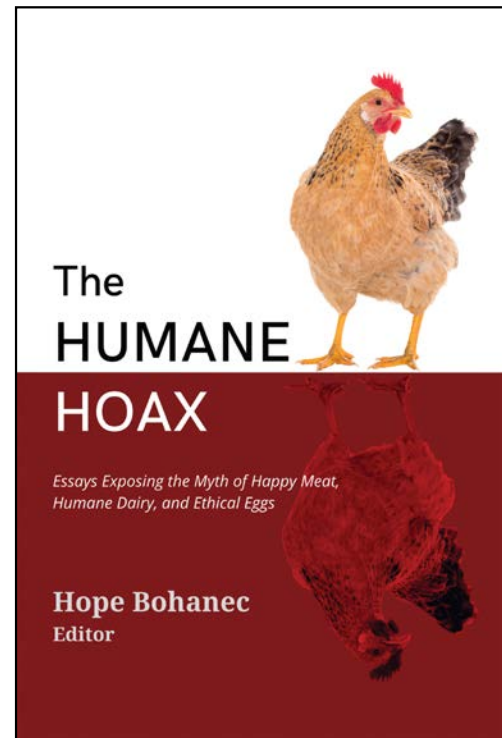
The snarling hatred unleashed by three male foodie celebrities toward animals and animal rights advocates, as depicted in one essay, is so intense as to seem almost a caricature of malevolence. Together, these three men, including the late Anthony Bourdain, sit at a round table at a writers’ festival in 2011 mocking and excoriating animal advocates for perpetrating a “false morality” and misanthropy:

“Well, I don’t care if it’s a false morality, I just don’t agree with it. I also don’t really care if animals suffer. If I’m perfectly honest, I don’t give a shit!”

Environmental Rubbish

Contributors to *The Humane Hoax* have much to say about the primacy of advertising language in persuading the public to believe that pasture-grazing of chickens, pigs, cows and sheep is environmentally “sustainable” and beneficent. The greenwashing of animal farming presents a false public image of the well-being of animals on pasture and the fraudulent notion that, somehow magically, billions of animals can occupy enormous tracts of land to feed billions of animal-product consumers with no down side.

In reality, pasture-raised animals require far more land than factory-farmed animals require. Also pointed out is the fact that the typical pasture does not provide sufficient nourishment for the animals who, without concentrated feed supplements, are more likely to be



malnourished than factory-farmed animals. This is not intended as a defense of factory farming. Rather, the point is that neither pasture-raising nor factory farming benefits the environment or the animals. And many birds sold to upscale consumers, who alone can afford the high cost of pastured-chickens and eggs, are actually raised in “stationary barns on over-grazed feed lots,” just as hens kept for “free-range” eggs are more often than not confined to sheds with maybe an enclosed porch, a “winter garden” – which I witnessed directly and describe in my own essay in this book.

We need to understand that these linguistically-inflated products – “so costly and scarce that they are not even available in the typical grocery store, let alone cafeterias, stadiums, and hospitals – are not ‘sustainable’ compared to consuming plants directly” (p. 127). Nor is it only farmed animals whose real life, and death, is hidden:

In fact, the powerful ranching and farming industries successfully lobby our government to brutally exterminate tens of millions of wild animals every year. None are safe, be they wild horses and donkeys who are “competing” for grazing land and water, or predators such as wolves and foxes who are a threat to livestock. This taxpayer expense is in addition to the billions of dollars of tax-funded subsidies and bailouts that farmers and ranchers receive.**

(cont.) The Humane Hoax: Essays Exposing the Myth of Happy Meat, Humane Dairy, and Ethical Eggs**Pastures of Pain**

In a profound contrast to the portrayal of farmed animals by their abusers, *The Humane Hoax* includes moving stories of roosters and hens rescued from backyard-chicken keepers and abandonment. One essay provides a penetrating look at the backyard-chicken industry and its victims. And then there's the story of a pig named Silver who was betrayed by a farm family who chose to raise her as part of their family and then stuck her out to pasture with the other pigs they were raising for slaughter. The storyteller, a veterinarian, became vegan, in part, to atone for "the suffering I'd taken part in" (p. 42).

When she was moved to the outside pasture and barn, she became a solitary pig. Dislocated abruptly from her human family, the only family she'd known, Silver had no idea how to interact with other pigs. My father wanted to breed her – she refused to even consider it and would fight off the boars and run from the other pigs. If my mother, brother, or I came out to the pasture, she sprinted at breakneck pace to the fence for a glimpse of us, sometimes trying to push her face between the slats, and other times rearing up with her front legs on the fence as she tried to reach us. . . . [I]t took me years to realize how deep our betrayal had been of her love and trust (p. 22).

The Humane Hoax is filled with evidence and details of the human betrayal of animals cajoled into trusting relationships with us only to be savagely turned upon like Silver, whose spirit was broken long before she ended up in the slaughterhouse, never understanding why these terrible things had been done to her. It is excruciating to read this and realize that there is currently an effort underway to defund farmed animal sanctuaries – more betrayal of individuals like Silver.

Focus on Consumers

It is also dispiriting to see certain animal "liberationists" telling the media that the animal consumer is "not the problem," only the industry is, as if these two were not joined at the hip; or that as long as

the animals have a "happy" life and "painless" killing, it is all right to commodify, enslave, and kill them. Adult consumers of animal products are complicit: we bear responsibility for what farmed animal producers, under whatever label, do to these innocent victims for palate and profit. Consumers engage destructively in a "willing suspension of disbelief" in order to absolve themselves of guilt – if they even care enough to do that.

Even the Jains and the Hindus, who claim compassion for cows, milk them, and if they themselves don't butcher the cows for whom they proclaim their compassion, Hindus will sell them to those who do the killing. We might well ask what it is in the human psyche that goes to such elaborate trouble to protect ourselves from the ugly facts when we can nourish ourselves wonderfully without twisting the truth into pretzels.

Editor Hope Bohanec says in her concluding essay that "If the consumers lead, the leaders will follow." For the animals, we who actively care about them must lead consumers *to want to take the path of nonviolence and compassion, and then take it.*

Notes

*This killing ploy is reminiscent of Temple Grandin's support in *Animals in Translation* for having sex with pigs for business purposes. In the section, "How to Make a Pig Fall in Love," she describes men masturbating captive pigs – getting sows to "stand for the man" – and concludes that these pig breeders "respect the animals' nature, and they do a good job with their animals." (p.104).

**Writing this review I'm delighted to note that this year's UN Climate Change Conference (COP28) will for the first time, at the repeated behest of environmental and animal activists, consider animal agriculture's adverse impact on the climate by serving mostly vegan food throughout the conference. It's a start. – Karen Davis

Order *The Humane Hoax: Essays Exposing the Myth of Happy Meat, Humane Dairy, and Ethical Eggs*, edited by Hope Bohanec and published in 2023, from Lantern Publishing & Media at www.lanternpm.org. There you will find a complete list of the essays and their authors along with purchasing options.

Karen Davis, President and Founder of UPC, Has Passed Away

Dear Friends, it is with a heavy heart that we share with you the passing of Karen Davis, PhD. After a long illness, she passed away peacefully on the morning of November 4, 2023 at the UPC sanctuary surrounded by her beloved birds. She has been a leading figure in the Animal Rights movement, passionately, tirelessly and unapologetically advocating for the birds. She has been an inspiration to many of us. We will continue her vision and legacy through our sanctuary at Machipongo, VA, and vegan advocacy work to promote our mission.



Karen Davis & Rainbow

The next issue of Poultry Press will feature tributes to Karen's life and work.

Karen Davis, PhD was the President and Founder of United Poultry Concerns, a nonprofit organization that promotes the compassionate and respectful treatment of domesticated birds including a sanctuary for chickens in Virginia. Inducted into the National Animal Rights Hall of Fame for Outstanding Contributions to Animal Liberation, Karen was the author of numerous books, essays, articles and campaigns. Her latest book is *For the Birds - From Exploitation to Liberation: Essays on Chickens, Turkeys, and Other Domesticated Fowl*.

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UPC Letter in NYT: “Missing element in the article”

“Disease Outbreaks in Animal Industries,” a letter by Karen Davis of United Poultry Concerns, was published July 20 online and in the Friday print edition of The New York Times.

To the Editor:

Re “Risk Seen in U.S. Animal Industries” (Science Times, July 11), about the risk of infectious disease outbreaks:

This article is illuminating, but one element of the crisis is missing: the degree to which animals suffer in these appalling situations.

Consider the complete lack of hygiene to which animals confined in farming operations and live animal markets are subjected without relief until they die, either at the hands of slaughterers or from chronic stress and disease.

I doubt that much will be done to control the animal industries identified in the article until more people speak out against what these animals are forced to endure.

The cruelty and contamination are linked. We might stretch our imaginations to make this connection and act on it.

Karen Davis
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The writer is the president of United Poultry Concerns, a nonprofit that promotes the respectful treatment of domesticated birds.



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Lost in the Vast, Dark World of Gene-Editing



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Originally published on July 21, 2023. Please visit www.upc-online.org/podcasts to listen to this episode of *Thinking Like a Chicken Podcast - News & Views!*

In today's podcast episode, I discuss the plight of chickens and all farmed animals condemned to the world of genetic manipulation, a global industry devoid of ethics and empathy for animals whose bodies are being manipulated for specific culinary traits and who are being experimentally bred to appear not to mind the environmental "stressors" of filth, excessive heat, lack of personal space, disease organisms, brutal handling, and whatever else generates unlimited funding. Please join me. – *Karen Davis*



Transcript

"Lost in a Vast, Dark World"

Hello and thank you for joining me today. I'm Karen Davis, the president and founder of United Poultry Concerns, a nonprofit organization that promotes compassion and respect for chickens, turkeys, ducks, and other domesticated birds. In today's podcast I take a look at how genetics researchers are developing

chickens with "consumer characteristics" and factory-farm "resilience."

The title of this podcast quotes the title of a recent article in *The Washington Post* about a drowned sea vessel with five passengers. The *Post* image summons up the far deeper Abyss in which countless individual animals are submerged, as we humans charge full speed with our plans and projects to subjugate all manner of life on earth to our Will. This is the ultimate, institutionalized, War Against All Anthropomorphism – not the anthropomorphism of appreciative recognition of our evolutionary kinship with the other creatures; rather, it is the anthropomorphism in which genetic engineers intentionally deform, debase, defile – play with – the minds, bodies, and feelings of other animals to reflect researchers' desires, be they ever so trivial, perverse, biologically obscene, and pitiless. And, of course, to maintain the status quo and keep the money flowing. Here is a sample from a May 8, 2023 article in the agribusiness newsletter *Meatingplace* titled "Gene-editing advances win a regulatory nod":

Dr. Oatley discusses advanced research into gene-editing in livestock, a technique that alters an animal's genetic code to focus on desired traits such as muscle characteristics or resilience in specific environments. His team recently received U.S. Food and Drug Administration investigational authorization to create food for humans from gene-edited animals in a process that is akin to traditional selective breeding. Gene-editing could play an important role in meeting the growing global demand for protein over the next few decades.

Dr. Jon Oatley is an agribusiness veterinarian of the type I assume would not oppose the mass-extirmination of farmed birds and pigs with heatstroke to control the highly pathogenic avian influenza virus documented by Dr. Michael Greger, M.D., in his 2006 book *Bird Flu: A Virus of Our Own Hatching*.

The genetics research Dr. Oatley builds on has already produced, in chickens bred for the chicken meat industry, what researchers call the effects of "human controlled evolution." Veterinarian Andrew A. Olkowski and associates state in "*Trends in*

Developmental Anomalies in Contemporary Broiler Chickens that chickens with extra legs and wings, missing eyes and beak deformities “can be found in practically every broiler flock,” where “a variety of health problems involving muscular, digestive, cardiovascular, integumentary, skeletal, and immune systems” form a complex of pathologies unlike anything in the natural world of avian evolution. Poultry personnel, they say, provide “solid evidence that anatomical anomalies have become deep-rooted in the phenotype of contemporary broiler chickens.”

Here is a quick look at two of Dr. Oatley’s gene-editing objectives:

- 1) Altering the chicken’s genetic code to focus on desired traits such as muscle characteristics.
- 2) Breeding resilience in chickens to specific [pathogenic] environments.

Designing Culinary Chicken Muscles

The “desired muscle characteristics” means culinary traits, as in the industry boast of “growing chickens to become pieces.” Such characteristics do not benefit the chickens but deform them even more thoroughly than they already are deformed. With these further culinary traits bred into them, the pathologies already embedded in chickens and other “food” animals will grow worse, because there is no limit to what these types of people and institutions will do to chickens and other animals.

Fitting Chickens to Intensive Farming and Global Warming

“By selecting for chickens that could tolerate the social stress, we also got chickens that could tolerate environmental stress.” —Purdue University poultry researcher William M. Muir on breeding hens who are “better adapted” to battery cages quoted in “Purdue’s ‘kinder, gentler chicken’ moves into real-world test,” *Feedstuffs*, Jan. 16, 1995.

Instead of producers cleaning up their operations to fit the birds’ need for hygiene, less crowding and chronic stress, agribusiness geneticists like Bill Muir at Purdue University say that “adapting the bird to the system makes more sense.” Starting in the 1980s, Muir worked to develop a strain of hens whose normal

pecking behavior would weaken, to eliminate the “need” to debeak hens destined for life in cages. In the course of his studies, Muir said that a power outage in his laboratory revealed that his “docile” hens fared better in the intense heat than his more active hens fared. So he devised a heat-stress experiment which led him to conclude that his heat-stressed hens not only pecked less but had more tolerance for this particular form of intense environmental stress.

(It is a commonplace for poultry researchers to claim that chickens made “docile” by blindness and other debilities in captivity have more “tolerance” for chronic stress, as if the chickens’ abnormally passive behavior meant that they suffered less in their helplessness.)

Meanwhile, global warming has opened up whole new windows of opportunity for heat-stress grants from NIH, USDA and their global counterparts. “*Impact of Heat Stress on Chicken Performance . . .*” states for example:

“The industry is grappling with the effect of climate change which causes heat stress and harms the performance and welfare of the chicken.” Accordingly, “it is necessary to develop newer varieties of chicken, especially heat-tolerant breed lines, in response to climate change and the diverse need of the farmers and consumers.”

Then, it could happen that when these genetically-altered heat-tolerant chickens are involved in the never-ending avian influenza outbreaks, it will be harder to kill them by baking them to death in the sheds, as is now done in the United States by turning the heat up to induce, in the chickens, massive heat stroke.

Conceivably, the industry could then resort to setting chickens and turkeys and other farmed birds on fire to control avian influenza in “constrained circumstances.” “Euthanasia” by fire could be justified as “more humane” than Ventilation Shutdown-Plus-induced heat stroke because, the industry could claim, actual factory-farm fires have shown that exposing the birds to smoke inhalation in a fire is quicker than merely turning up the heat to intolerable levels. Setting chickens on fire to get rid of the “evil spirits” of avian influenza has already been reported by the Associated Press in Indonesia.

(cont.) Lost in the Vast, Dark World of Gene-Editing

One way or another, chickens, turkeys and countless other birds are lost in the vast, dark world we have made for them to live and die in. A 2018 review titled “*Application of Gene Editing in Chickens: A New Era is on the Horizon*” summarizes that “using genetically modified chickens as a model for various research areas like developmental biology, immunology, physiology and neurology is gaining importance in the avian research community.” In addition, “there is an increasing interest to generate genetically modified chickens resistant to specific pathogens, benefiting from the availability of gene manipulation techniques. This review focuses on the advances made in gene editing in chickens and the future perspectives including the generation of specific-pathogen-resistant birds.”

Pathogen resistant, stress resistant, heat resistant . . . the scenarios are endless.

The scenario that is of no interest to the poultry industry and its affiliates, including poultry researchers,

the government, and the American Veterinary Medical Association, is phasing out business practices that inflict agony on chickens and other animals. Poultry veterinarian Simon Shane epitomizes the rejection of even considering the idea of morally driven human evolution in how we treat animals. He told the journalist who reported on “*The bitter civil war dividing American veterinarians*” that he is in the business of feeding people and has no interest in “a fruitless discussion on ethics and morality.”

I hope you have found today’s podcast episode informative and thought-provoking, and that you will share it with others. Please tune in for the next podcast episode of *Thinking Like a Chicken – News & Views!* Thank you and have a wonderful day.

*For more, see *The Experimental Use of Chickens and Other Birds in Biomedical and Agricultural Research* at www.upc-online.org/experimentation/experimental.htm

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New York City Kaporos Report, 2023

By Jill Carnegie, Alliance to End Chickens as Kaporos



The Actions

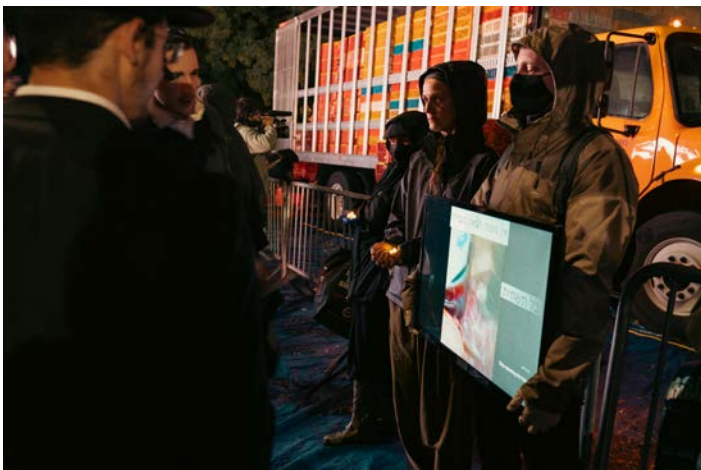
This year, the final and largest night of the Kaporos week landed on Saturday evening September 23rd, culminating 6 days of cruel and unnecessary use of chickens in the Kaporos ceremony that we see in the streets of New York City. Cases of Avian Influenza (H5N1) had been reported in Brooklyn just a few weeks prior, but of course we did not see any representatives from the USDA at any site. The Week of Action was field directed by AECK Co-Founder Rina Deych and NYC Director Jill Carnegie with the assistance of volunteer marshals and strategy partners.

Through the week 15-30 activists were highly visible administering care to the crated 5-week-old chickens left stacked in public spaces: activists provided watermelon, water, and pressed for the surrender of chickens found

to have broken bones or significant injuries or illness. Practitioners of Kaporos could see that the baby animals not only require and are deserving of this baseline care, but that they are denied the fundamental needs of food and water by Kaporos site managers and we were able to negotiate the surrender of sick birds who had been discarded with the dead.

We had maintained a good relationship with members of the NYPD in Community Affairs for one precinct, Officers Melendez and Deboise. This year a Lieutenant joined them as well as a newly-instated Commanding Officer (not on-site) who severely stalled our efforts to provide necessary care. When it became clear that the Lieutenant and C.O. were not going to enforce animal cruelty laws, the activists staged a sit-in at the crates in the street. After over two hours, our rescue team was able to take three birds and administer emergency care. Despite his obstructive methods, the Lieutenant told organizers that he had never seen, “such a focused and organized group of nonviolent activists” in his career and commended the dedication of all involved.

On Thursday the 21st, we took on a new location because the first Kaporos event with chickens on the Upper West Side of Manhattan in over a decade was to take place. The set-up was extremely small and contained to the back of a small van. The practitioners at this location were a mix of Jewish folks, many of them more progressive and more receptive to the efforts of our outreach team. Our visiting sanctuary partner from Oregon, Hadassah of Tikkun Olam Farm Sanctuary, was able to connect with the Rabbi on location and secured the surrender of several birds.



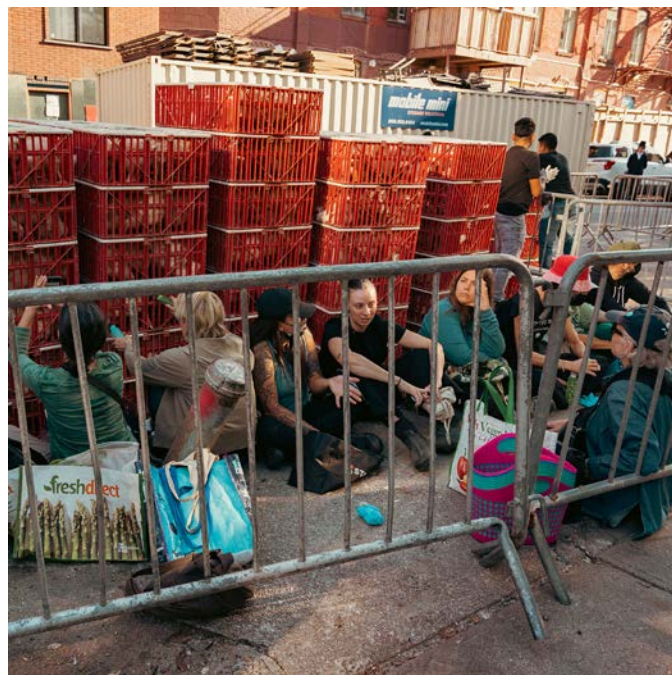
(cont.) New York City Kaporos Report, 2023

On the final night of Kaporos week, we employed new tactics and created a visual impact that could not be ignored by practitioners. Groups of activists were stationed around the infamous massive Crown Heights Kaporos on President Street holding safe-candles and television screens (thanks to activist Rachel Levy Ejsmont) airing realities paying practitioners don't usually see. Theme 1 was the medical care that the rescued Kaporos survivors required due to their awful treatment, Official Rescue Team administering medications and wrapping broken bones, and including a caption in Hebrew that roughly translated to "animals rescued from your community." Theme 2 showed the thousands and thousands of dead birds discarded by Kaporos site managers in garbage bags and being loaded into sanitation trucks to prove that they are not donated to the "poor" as so many Kaporos organizers have claimed. The Hebrew captions for this compilation included the religious mandate declaring "no waste" and also a saying widely embraced by Jewish people that roughly translates to, "A mitzvah (good deed) cannot come from sin." While activists held the television screens, other groups went to the transport trucks to provide a last meal and drink of water to the chickens waiting in the crates. And we had a massive mobile billboard parked on President Street playing our video, literally alongside the line every practitioner waited on to buy their tickets.

The video was edited to resemble the promotional flyers and literature distributed within the Chabad community of Crown. Activists reported that many people in the community seemed impacted by the videos and were then more receptive to conversations. The organizers at this location were enraged by this tactic, but could do nothing to initiate removal of the vehicle/billboard nor the television screens because there was no amplified sound from our devices and there was no permit for their "block party" that would be required to prevent us from parking on the residential street.

The Rescues

Our Official Rescue Team, coordinated by Paola Gavino and Michael Dolling and overseen by Director Jill Carnegie, has continued its incredible dedication to conducting the largest annual animal liberation in the United States with a team of volunteers who have been doing this work for years. We erected a temporary triage hospital which was stocked under the oversight of our partner Tamerlaine Farm Sanctuary and their veterinary partners, coordinated multiple foster locations to quarantine separated flocks of survivors (as per avian flu biosecurity protocols), recruited a team of short- and long-distance transport drivers, and secured permanent homes for over 300 birds through our national network of sanctuaries and private homes.

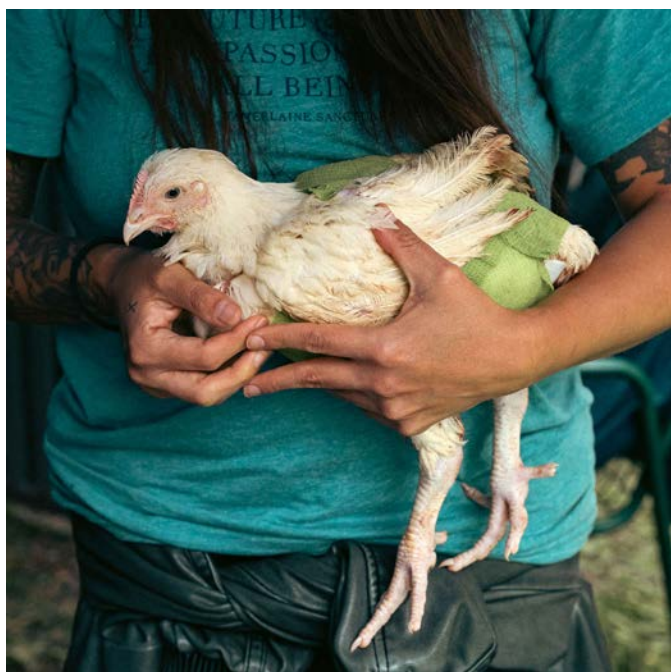


Between the first “delivery night” of birds to Kaporos sites and Thursday the 21st, the Official Rescue Team rescued well over 200 survivors and aided activists in the surrender of over a dozen more. Our carers oversaw the largest number of complex injuries that we have ever experienced: 13 compound wing fractures, three broken legs, a broken beak, six chickens with “splay legs,” two deep wounds requiring stitches, multiple toes broken requiring minor interventions and respiratory illnesses and other injuries that were handled 100% internally by our qualified team of carers.

Cases of H5N1 Avian Influenza had been reported on Thursday the 21st at a slaughterhouse in Union City, NJ. Our fosters were at full capacity, and we had planned to send our first transports on Friday evening to make space for more survivors. Our initial safety protocols that had included 5-day quarantine plus testing had to be abandoned because the supplier of the affected slaughterhouse is also a known supplier to several Kaporos sites and we had good reason to believe that birds who had been newly delivered could be infected as well. Heartbreakingly, we had to cease rescues after grueling assessment and discussion with several experts working with us, based on the best information we had. The Official Rescue Team had no option but to extend the quarantine of the survivors we had in foster to the maximum recommended 21 days. As a rescue effort, we could not be responsible for introducing a single bird positive for the virus into a sanctuary population. A

few individual birds managed to come under our care after the pause on intake was instituted, but numerous activists opened their homes to foster those nine separate birds under the guidance of the Official Rescue Team!

Even with the unprecedented obstacle of H5N1, we rescued over 280 survivors. As of this writing, nearing the end of their quarantine, we are thrilled to report not one case of H5N1. The birds are thriving and we know they are set up for success at their forever homes. The transports start the weekend of October 7th and will continue through the middle of the month, and your support is still needed! Please do consider making a donation to support the rescue, treatment, foster, and transportation of these survivors to their homes.



The total financials for the 2023 Kaporos rescues are:

Triage+Foster expenses.....	\$7,434.18
Medical expenses.....	\$16,265.28
Sanctuary Support.....	\$2,608.01
Transport Expenses.....	\$5,865.53
Total Expenses.....	\$32,173.00
Total Raised.....	\$30,319.97
2022 surplus.....	\$3,047.23
2021 surplus	\$12,000.00

We also incurred \$1,659.15 in other expenses for 25 large custom umbrellas, large truck rental with video screens, one 32” TV screen and harness to supplement the 3 borrowed screens, and electric safe candles.

Thank you for your continuing support!

United Poultry Concerns Annual Report for 2022



UPC outdoor aviary photo by Richard Cundari

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United Poultry Concerns holds that the treatment of chickens, turkeys, ducks and other domestic fowl in the areas of food production, science, education, entertainment, and human companionship situations has a significant effect upon human, animal, and

environmental welfare. We seek to make the public aware of the ways poultry are used, and to promote the compassionate and respectful treatment of these birds and the benefits of a vegan diet and lifestyle. UPC conducts full-time educational programs and campaigns through our quarterly magazine *Poultry Press*, our Website at www.UPC-online.org, and our chicken sanctuary in Machipongo, Virginia.

United Poultry Concerns maintains a permanent office, sanctuary and education center at our headquarters at 12325 Seaside Road, Machipongo, Virginia 23405. We respond daily to Internet and telephone requests for help with bird-care problems, student projects, alternatives to classroom chick-hatching projects, and numerous other communications on the care, treatment and abuse of domestic fowl. We are grateful to all of our members and supporters for enabling us to fulfill our mission in 2022. From all of us at United Poultry Concerns, thank you for support!

Highlights of Our Activities and Accomplishments in 2022

For a complete listing of UPC's action alerts, news, photos & activities in 2022, please visit News Archives 2022 at www.upc-online.org/whatsnew/2022.html.

UPC Sanctuary - 2022

Adopted 18 wonderful chickens in need of a loving home into our 12,000 square foot predator-proof outdoor aviary for the total safety of our rescued birds!



Photo of Lucetta by Rich Cundari, September 21, 2022 at UPC

International Respect for Chickens Day May 4/ Month of May - Celebrating the Life and Dignity of Chickens & Protesting Their Abuse in Farming Operations. For a full view of our 2022 campaign and wide-ranging activities, see www.upc-online.org/respect.

- 🐔 New Podcast Series: Thinking Like a Chicken - News & Views!, April 22.
- 🐔 Prayer Circle for International Respect for Chickens Day May 4, April 26.
- 🐔 Independent Media Institute: On International Respect for Chickens Day, Try Thinking About Them Differently, April 27.
- 🐔 On 4th May, Wire Fence Will Donate 100% of its Profit for International Respect for Chickens Day, www.wirefence.co.uk, April 27.
- 🐔 May 4th is Chickens Day: Reflecting on the Meat Industry, *LA Progressive*, April 28.
- 🐔 Counter Punch: On International Respect for Chickens Day, Try Thinking About Them Differently, April 29.
- 🐔 News Release: International Respect For Chickens Day Celebrates Compassion for Chickens, May 3.
- 🐔 Rachel Schelter - Opinion: 'Chicken Out' May 4 on International Respect for Chickens Day, May 4.
- 🐔 Kerulos Center Beautiful Short Video: Celebrate International Respect for Chickens Day!, May 4.
- 🐔 Poems by Mary Elizabeth Rosa - International Respect for Chickens Day, May 5.
- 🐔 My New Short Video: Saving Everley the Hen from the Chicken Slaughter Line, May 5.
- 🐔 Tabling at The Greenbelt Green Man Festival, May 7 & 8.
- 🐔 Leafletting for International Respect for Chickens Day in front of Gelson's Market in Del Mar, CA.
- 🐔 An Avian Activist's Ideas to Celebrate Chickens and Inspire Compassion, May 17.
- 🐔 Isaac Bashevis Singer: No Evidence that Humans are More Important than Chickens, May 31.
- 🐔 A Loving Tribute to Henry Spira: "Animals Are Not Edibles," May 26.
- 🐔 UPC Literature on Display at Minglewood Bake Shop, May 22.
- 🐔 Beautiful! International Respect for Chickens Gallery of Ideas & Hall of Honor, June 8.

Variety of Campaigns - 2022

Exposed North Carolina State University Heat Stroke Experiments on Chickens

- 🐔 NCSU Student Paper Censors Our Chicken Cruelty Ad, December 6.
- 🐔 UPC Letter to NCSU Chancellor Woodson Regarding VSD Experiments, December 7.
- 🐔 Hold NCSU Chancellor Accountable for Animal Abuse!, December 15.
- 🐔 NewsBlaze Investigates Student Newspaper Censorship of Animal Cruelty Ad, December 17.
- 🐔 Letters RE: *Technician* Rejects Ad Exposing Ventilation Shutdown+ Experiments on Helpless Hens @ NCSU, December 22.

Urged American Veterinarian Medical Association: Stop Supporting Killing Poultry and Pigs by Inflicting Heat Stroke Heat on Them and Baking Them Alive in Avian Influenza Mass Killings.

- 🐔 CONTACT THE AVMA TODAY! One Major Way We Can Reduce the Suffering of Animals Raised for Food, *Independent Media Institute*, July 27.
- 🐔 Ads in *Metro Philadelphia* Urge AVMA to Condemn Ventilation Shutdown-Plus, July 29-August 2.
- 🐔 Why are we accepting the mass slaughter of animals through heatstroke?, *The Washington Post*, July 6.
- 🐔 Condemn Killing Birds Like This, Veterinarians Say to the AVMA – Now!, *OpEdNews.com*, July 2.
- 🐔 The AVMA MUST Stop Condoning Ventilation Shutdown to Mass-Murder Farmed Animals, June 23.

Spoke Up for Emus

- 🐔 Urged Harper's Magazine to Remove Emu-Oil Cosmetic Advertisement, August 20.
- 🐔 Urged DREMU to Stop Selling Slaughterhouse Emu Oil as "Airbrush" Cosmetic Eye Cream, September, 8.

Compassionate Thanksgiving

- 🐔 The "Thanksgiving" Turkey: Object of Sentimentality, Sarcasm, and Sacrifice, *Animals 24-7.org*, Nov. 23.



- ❖ Thanksgiving Day in America: Every day in America, Nov. 23.
- ❖ Karen Davis Presentation: Who are Turkeys & Why Should We Care?, Nov. 22.
- ❖ Leafleting UPC Turkeys brochures at the Encinitas (CA) Street Fair, Nov. 20.
- ❖ No One Came. A Baby Turkey Cries in Vain for His Mom, Nov. 17.
- ❖ Karen Davis Presentation: The Beauty and Sentence of Chickens and Turkeys, Nov. 15.

Live Animal Markets

- ❖ Urged New York State Department of Agriculture & Markets to Close Live Animal Markets Now, Dec. 3.

Alliance to End Chicken Kaporos Campaign - 2022

The Alliance to End Chickens as Kaporos is a project of United Poultry Concerns launched in 2010 to expose and eliminate the ritual of Kaporos in which chickens are abused and killed for “atonement” in many ultraorthodox Hasidic communities. Our legal and other actions and reports, 2010-2022, can be viewed on the Alliance website at www.EndChickensAsKaporos.com. Here are a few highlights from 2022.

- ❖ 238 chickens were rescued and quarantined without a single positive case of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI).
- ❖ Thousands of Chickens Die of Hypothermia During Kaporos in Brooklyn, www.theirturn.net, October 9.
- ❖ Video: Animal Rights Activists Hit with Milk, Eggs & Hot Water While Peacefully Providing Chickens with Food during the Days of Kaporos, October 4.
- ❖ KAPOROS: An Unholy Ritual Webinar with Karen Davis, PhD, Nora Constance Marino, Esq. and Rina Deych, September 26.
- ❖ Alliance Strategy Team Conducted Professional Orientation Workshops Aug. 14 and Sept. 28.

Fabulous Kiosks & Bus Posters for Chickens and Turkeys! – 2022



- ❖ Our Turkey Bus Posters in Pittsburgh, PA, month of November.

- ❖ Bus Ad Portland, OR and Bus Shelter Ad Boston, MA: “Hungry? Choose Animal Free. Your heart will thank you” for the month of May.



Thinking Like a Chicken Podcasts - 2022

- ❖ New Podcast Series: Thinking Like a Chicken - News & Views!, April 22.
- ❖ International Respect for Chickens Day, April 22.
- ❖ Avian Influenza (Bird Flu) – Fiction versus Fact, May 6.
- ❖ Roosters – Their Plight & Delight, May 20.
- ❖ Viva – The Little Chicken Who Changed My Life, June 3.
- ❖ Violated Expectations in the Experience of Factory-Farmed Chickens, June 17.
- ❖ Liberating Our Language for Farmed Animals, July 1.
- ❖ Do Chickens Form Intentions?, July 15.
- ❖ Introduction to Pessimism versus Negativity, July 30.
- ❖ How Does a Farmed Animal Sanctuary Promote Animal Liberation?, Aug. 12.
- ❖ Freddaflower and Mavis – Two Very Special, Very Different Hens, Aug. 26.
- ❖ The Forced Labor of Chickens on the Factory Farm, Sept. 11.
- ❖ Should Animal Intelligence Be Enhanced or Expunged to the Level of Artificial Intelligence?, Sept. 30.
- ❖ The Ethical Deviant as Animal Rights Activist, Oct. 14.
- ❖ Why BURNOUT Cannot Be an Option for an Animal Activist, Oct. 28.

UPC Webinar Presentations – 2022

- ❖ Backyard Chickens: Karen Davis of United Poultry Concerns Speaks for Famous Fido Rescue’s Celebration of Life 2022, Dec. 30.
- ❖ Ready to Watch: Who are Turkeys & Why Should We Care?, November 22.
- ❖ “I relate directly to other creatures - I don’t need any belief system” - Karen Davis, Nov. 19.
- ❖ Restoring “Poultry” from How They are Used to

Who They Really Are: Live On YouTube, Karen Davis, Nov. 6.

Animal Activism Mentorship Presents An Insider's Look at the Modern Poultry Industry by Karen Davis, Aug. 29.

Chicken Webinar Video: UPC President Karen Davis discusses the use of chickens in agricultural research & experimentation to facilitate the poultry and egg industry, May 21.

Liberating & Caring for Chickens, a Presentation by Karen Davis, PhD, March 17.

Podcast: Should Animal Advocates "Pretend To Be More Optimistic"? UPC President Karen Davis Interview by Laurent Levy, host of The Other Animals, Jan. 24.

Additional Community Outreach - Exhibits & Demonstrations - 2022

- Pottstown VegFest, PA, April 23.
- Greenbelt Greenman Fest, MD, May 7-8.
- Lancaster VegFest, PA, June 4-5.
- TAFAs Conference, DC, July 15-17.
- The Animal Liberation March, DC, August 20.
- Richmond Vegfest, VA, Sept. 17.
- Slaughter Free Network Protest at National Chicken Council conference luncheon, DC
- Peaceful demonstration for Turkeys, Olney, MD, Nov. 13.

Hampton Road VegFest, Nov. 6

Financial Report - 2022

United Poultry Concerns Fiscal Year: January 1 - December 31, 2022

Revenues.....	\$366,868
Public Support.....	364,216
Expenses.....	\$342,370
Programs and Education.....	314,980
Organizational Management.....	27,390
Net Assets/Fund Balance at End of Year.....	\$1,083,018

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Vegan Recipe Corner

Thai Red Curry Lentil Soup

Recipe from Savoryonline.com.

With just 5 ingredients, this easy and flavorful soup comes together in under 30 minutes. Rich coconut milk and store-bought Thai red curry paste make this recipe a breeze to whip up.

Ingredients

- 2 tbsp Thai Red Curry Paste
- 1 (13.5 oz) can unsweetened lite coconut milk, shaken well
- 2 medium sweet potatoes
- 1 cup red lentils
- 1 (5 oz) pkg baby spinach

Instructions

1. In a large pot on medium-high, combine the curry paste, coconut milk, and 6 cups water. Season with salt and pepper. Bring mixture to a boil. Meanwhile, peel and cut the sweet potatoes into 1-inch pieces.
2. Add the lentils and sweet potatoes to pot and return to a boil. Season with salt and pepper. Reduce to a simmer, cover, and cook 15–18 min., until potatoes are tender. In batches, stir the spinach into pot and cook 1 min., until wilted. Serve immediately.

*For more great recipes, go to
www.upc-online.org/recipes!*



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- "Viva, the Chicken Hen / Chickens Raised for Meat"
- "Jane-one tiny chicken foot"
- "Starving Poultry for Profit" (forced molting)
- "Poultry Slaughter: The Need for Legislation"
- "The Rougher They Look, The Better They Lay" (free-range egg production)
- "Intensive Poultry Production: Fouling the Environment"
- "Philosophic Vegetarianism: Acting Affirmatively for Peace"
- "The Rhetoric of Apology in Animal Rights"
- "Providing a Good Home for Chickens"
- "Chicken Talk: The Language of Chickens"
- "Celebrate Easter Without Eggs"
- "Chicken for Dinner: It's Enough To Make You Sick"
- "Guide to Staffing Tables: Do's & Don'ts"
- "Henny's New Friends"
- "Avoiding Burnout"
- "The Life of One Battery Hen"
- "Bird Flu - What You Need to Know"
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- "Japanese Quail"
- "The Use of Birds In Agricultural and Biomedical Research"
- "Free-Range' Poultry and Eggs: Not All They're Cracked Up to Be" - New & Revised!
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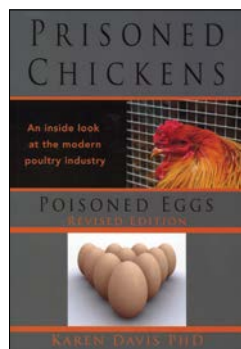
**Prisoned Chickens, Poisoned Eggs:
An Inside Look at the Modern
Poultry Industry**

By Karen Davis

This newly revised edition of *Prisoned Chickens, Poisoned Eggs* looks at avian influenza, food poisoning, chicken suffering, genetic engineering, and the growth of chicken rights activism since the 1990s. Presents a compelling argument for a compassionate plant-based cuisine. "Riveting . . . Brilliant."

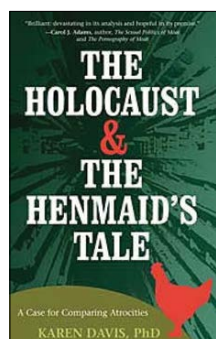
– *Choice magazine, American*

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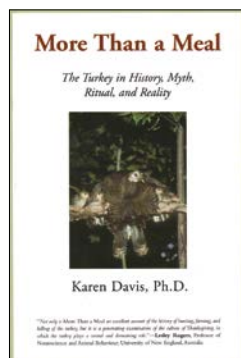
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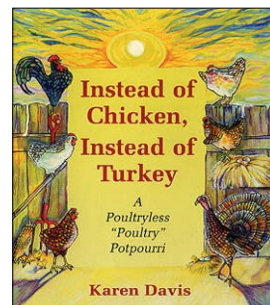
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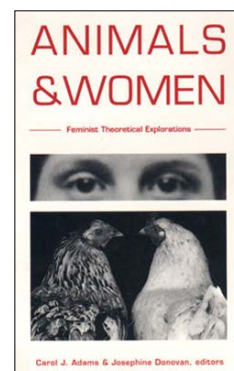
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**Animals and Women:****Feminist Theoretical
Explorations** Edited by Carol J.

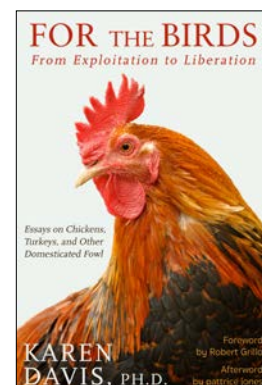
Adams & Josephine Donovan

"Karen Davis's brilliant essay [Thinking Like a Chicken: Farm Animals and The Feminine Connection] brings together the book's central concepts, leading to conclusions that rightly should disturb feminists and animal advocates alike." – Review by Deborah Tanzer, Ph.D. in *The Animals' Agenda*. \$16.95

**For the Birds:
From Exploitation
to Liberation**

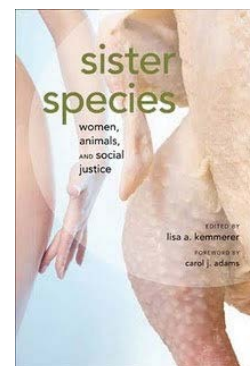
Essays by Karen Davis

FOR THE BIRDS "Can Only Be Described with Superlatives" – *Animal Culture Magazine*. \$20

**Sister Species: Women,
Animals, and Social**

Justice Edited by Lisa Kemmerer,
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Sister Species presents the experiences of fourteen women activists who are working on behalf of non-human animals and a more just and compassionate world. \$14.95



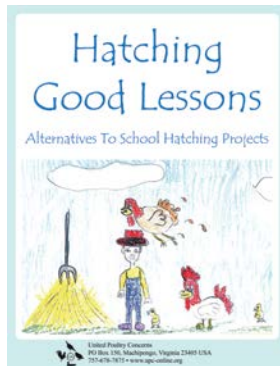
CHILDREN'S BOOKS & EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS

Hatching Good Lessons: Alternatives To School Hatching Projects

By United Poultry Concerns

A guide booklet for elementary school teachers and other educators including parents. 16 pages of information, storytelling, classroom activities & color photos. Grades K-6 (some activities are designed for K-12). \$2.50 per booklet. 5 for \$5. It can be viewed and printed out at

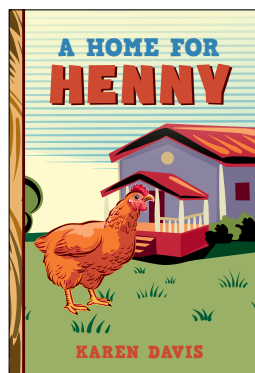
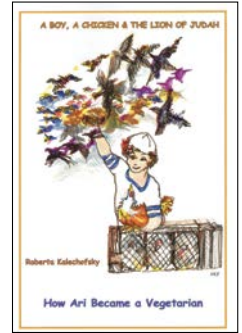
www.upc-online.org/hatching.



A Boy, A Chicken and The Lion of Judah – How Ari Became a Vegetarian

By Roberta Kalechofsky

This wonderfully gifted children's story, set in modern Israel, is about a young boy's quest for moral independence. An intelligent book for all ages. Winner of the Fund for Animals "Kind Writers Make Kind Readers Award." \$10



A Home for Henny

By Karen Davis

Melanie is a 3rd grader who is excited about a chick hatching project in her class at school. The project seemed like a good idea at first, but unexpected problems arise and the whole class learns a lesson in compassion. When the project is over, Melanie adopts one of the chicks she names Henny. *A Home for Henny* explores the challenges and concerns with school hatching projects

while evoking the lively personality of Henny and her loving relationship with Melanie. \$6.99



Dave Loves Chickens

By Carlos Patino

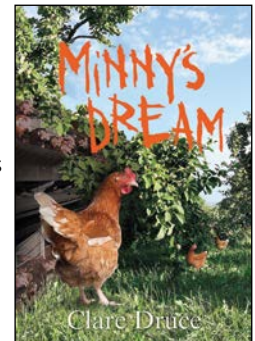
Dave is a quirky monster from another planet who loves chickens and all animals on Earth. He encourages people to share his love and not eat any

animals! Filled with fun and bold colors, this book is perfect for young children to learn compassion for chickens and all animals in a sweetly told, lovable story. \$10

Minnie's Dream

By Clare Druce

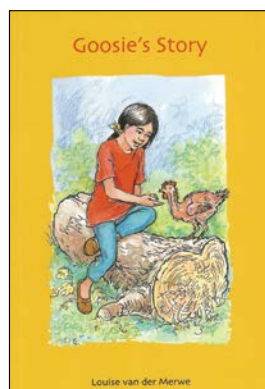
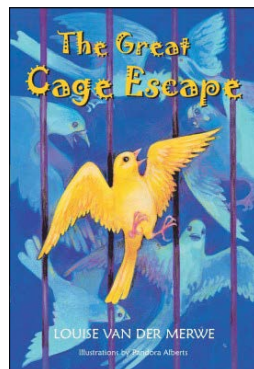
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The Great Cage Escape

Grades 4-7. By Louise Van Der Merwe

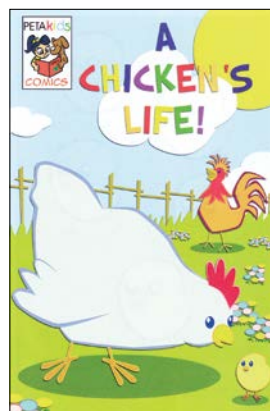
The birds in a pet shop think they are happy until a brown box punched full of air holes is left overnight on their front door step. The creature inside looks very weird at first. But as his feathers begin to grow, his true identity becomes apparent, and the stories he tells inspire the pet shop birds to pull off a Great Cage Escape. This is a story that encourages respect for all forms of life and helps learners realize that heaven can be right here on earth if we choose to make it so. \$4.95



Goosie's Story

By Louise Van Der Merwe

A touching story about a "battery" hen who is given a chance to lead a normal life – a happy life. This moving book will be warmly welcomed and shared by children, parents and teachers, highlighting as it does the concern and compassion we ought to feel for all our feathered friends on this earth. \$4.95



A Chicken's Life!

Grades 4-6. PETAkids Comics

This cute comic book illustrates a group of children visiting an animal sanctuary where they meet a flock of chickens and learn all about them including the differences between Nature's Way and The Factory Farm Way. "Are these chickens really your friends?" they ask. "I've never met a chicken before." *A Chicken's Life* includes a puzzle for elementary school students to unscramble

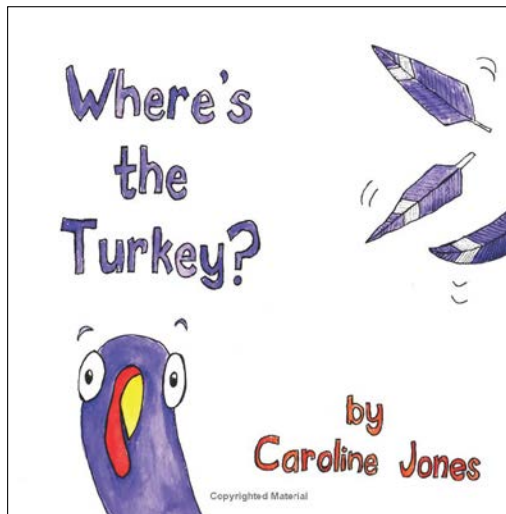
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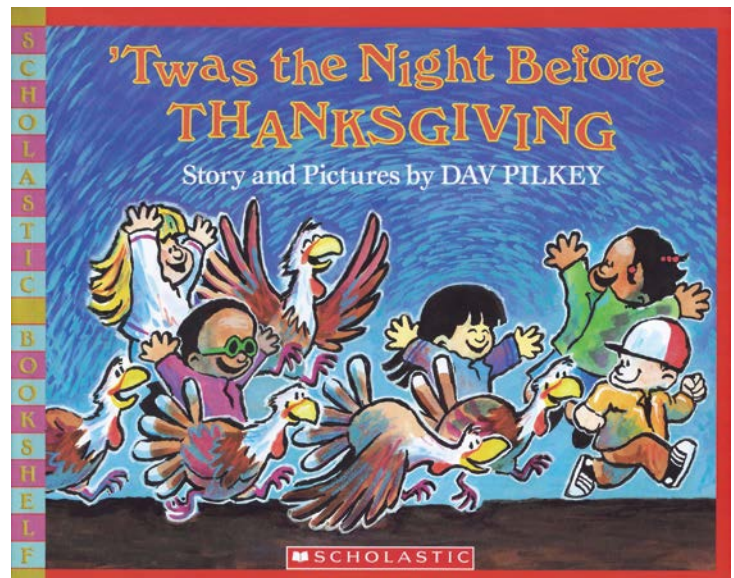
Where's the Turkey?, by Caroline Jones, is a charming and adorable book for young children. The child is engaged in a journey, with visual clues in the illustrations, toward discovering where the turkey is, which is not on the table. Young children love the "look-and-find" challenge page by page. I recommend this book most highly. It illustrates a Happy Thanksgiving with the whole family and a delicious Thanksgiving feast for which the turkeys themselves can give thanks for enjoying the day in their own happy "turkey" way. \$6.99

– Karen Davis, United Poultry Concerns

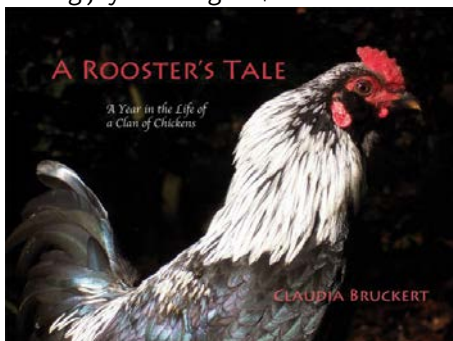
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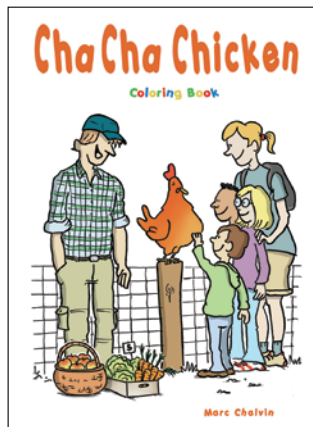
by Claudia Bruckert, transports readers to the fascinating world of Change, who tells the real life story of his chicken family during his first year of life. Enchanting experiences and intriguing facts, chronicled and photographed beautifully over the course of one year, convey deep insights into the daily life of chickens. Grades 3-12 and a reading joy for all ages. \$20

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By Marc Chalvin

Narrated by Cha Cha the hen, this book invites children to visit Green Farm sanctuary and learn about the happy animals who live there.

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By United Poultry Concerns

This vibrant video shows chickens at the United Poultry Concerns sanctuary accompanied by lively music, with brief explanations of what the chickens are doing throughout their daily activities into the evening as, one by one, they hop up to their perches for the night. Narrated by a young child. 10:04 minutes. DVD. \$5. \$12.50 for 5. Watch: <http://vimeo.com/13210456>



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Photo by PeTA

Full-color poster vividly captures the truth about factory chickens for the public. Vegetarian message. 18"x22".



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Walking to Freedom After a Year in Cages

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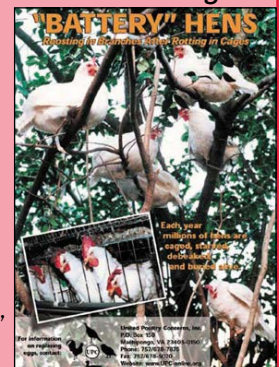


"Battery" Hens

Roosting in Branches After Rotting in Cages

Photo by Susan Rayfield

This beautiful color poster shows the rescued Cypress hens at UPC. Perfect for your office, your home, your school. 11.5"x16".



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