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What Can I Do?

Urge the Chandler Chamber of Commerce to cancel the ostrich races and make the festival a positive event that respects the life and feelings of all creatures. Just as Chandler's evolution to a high tech center has benefited the town, so the Ostrich Festival can evolve to a lucrative attraction in which ostrich races and their like are relegated to a past that no longer reflects the evolving consciousness of today's society toward animals. Respectfully request a written reply to your concerns.

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