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What You Can Do:

- Set a date
- Invite Participants
- Enlarge Graphic Photos at Copy Center
- Hold a Poster-Making Party
- Contact Local News Media

Illustration by Nigel Burroughs
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CONTACT: Richard Griffin at 617-262-5761.
E-MAIL Richard at: bravebos@aol.com

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Protest "Poultry Slam"

The "Annual Poultry Slam" is a heartless, insipid, unfunny radio show that needs to be cancelled. Aired nationally on NPR in 1996 and 1997 as part of a weekly series called This American Life, the "Poultry Slam," produced and hosted by Ira Glass, uses the Thanksgiving-Christmas holidays to bash birds from various viewpoints ranging from Glass himself to poultry farmers to puppet theater directors. If the poultry slam is a mirror of ourselves, we need a new reflection. The message: Humans are clever, neat and superior; chickens and turkeys are dirty, stupid, and pathetic. They deserve our abuse and it's fun to abuse them physically and verbally.

"Chickens are actually very dirty birds... They have no individual personality"... "They don't know the things they're laying are eggs"... "They brought out the bully in a 10-year old boy"... "I'd kick them out of the way"... "Turkeys are that stupid"... "Nothing about a turkey except a meal... just basically a living dinner"... "Chickens can't even meet the 'standard of perfection'. We dominate every aspect of their life and they're still lacking"... "They're inhuman, on a continuum with plants and insects we have no remorse about killing."

[This story about a South African "good luck ceremony" is supposed to be funny.] You take a chicken to a mountain, you dig a hole, you poke out the chicken's eyes with a sewing needle, you bury the chicken in the hole. You leave the blinded bird to suffocate in the hole.

A speaker recalls his farmboy days. You cut off the chicken's head. The chicken starts to "explode and spaz out." The headless chickens would do evasive maneuvers, as if they could tell you were there. We'd throw the headless birds into a 5 gallon drum. They'd bang around inside. When my father swung a chicken around his head to kill it he got a line of chicken shit across his glasses. [You're supposed to laugh.]

"What Can I Do?"

Contact This American Life, National Public Radio, and the Corporation for Public Broadcasting which funded this show in 1996 and 1997, and tell them to drop the "Poultry Slam." It never should have run, and it's run its course. If possible, send Ira Glass a brief, positive story about your personal experience with a chicken, turkey, or duck and request a show featuring your voice. Request a written reply.

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"Chickens and turkeys more than any other animal are mirrors of ourselves. When we talk about modern poultry we're talking about ourselves."

- Ira Glass, "Poultry Slam '97," This American Life 12/5/97, WBEZ Chicago

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Complaints about a chick incubation and hatching exhibit at the Museum of Science and Industry, which is located near the University of Chicago on the south side of Chicago, led UPC to investigate. We wrote to the Museum and were told: "This exhibit has been a popular highlight at the Museum since the 1950s, helping the Museum fulfill its mission of promoting science education by giving visitors real, memorable experiences with real scientific processes and science information. In answer to your question, after hatching at the Museum of Science and Industry, the chicks are taken to the 'Farm in the Zoo' at the Lincoln Park Zoo in Chicago."

To learn more, UPC member Jim Dunn visited the Museum, talked to staff, took pictures, then wrote to UPC: "The exhibit gets approximately 8000 to 8200 fertile eggs a year from Phil's Egg Company in Forreston, Illinois. The chick hatchery, which was started in 1954, is in the section titled 'Food for Life.' In one corner of this section is the hatchery. From the photos you can see that the hatchery is a 2-part affair. On one end is an incubator in which, according to a sign, they place eggs scheduled to hatch that day. After the chicks hatch, and their feathers dry out, they are moved to the other end of the hatchery. The chicks peck their way out of the shells and lie there alone on the metal grate."

According to the Museum's hatchery manager, the Lincoln Park Zoo picks up the chicks once a week.

UPC wrote to the Lincoln Park Zoo: What happens to these chicks at the Zoo? The General Curator wrote back: "While some chicks received at Lincoln Park Zoo become participants in educational programs, most are utilized as nutrition for reptiles in the collection."

The Museum of Science and Industry is misleading the public about the use and fate of these birds. The "science education" consists of conditioning visitors to view chickens mechanistically by placing them on display in a mechanical setting as they struggle from their shells. The "Food For Life Baby Chick Hatchery" masks an economic arrangement between
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the Museum and the Zoo. The purpose of the hatchery, in addition to promoting the use of poultry & eggs, is to feed captive reptiles while programming thousands of visitors to think they're having a "real scientific experience" with baby chicks who are going to the Zoo's "farm." Both children and adults are being misled.

"What Can I Do?"

- If the Museum is feeding its exhibit chicks to the reptiles at the Lincoln Park Zoo, it has an obligation to say so in writing at the exhibit site and in its fundraisers. The Museum solicits public funding. Express your concerns to:

  DR. JAMES S. KAHN
  President-CEO, Museum of Science and Industry
  57th St. & Lake Shore Drive
  Chicago, IL 60637-2093
  Ph: 312-684-1414; Fax 7141
  E-mail: jskmsi@mcs.com

  LETTERS EDITOR
  CHICAGO TRIBUNE
  435 North Michigan Ave.

- If you are in Chicago, visit the Museum of Science and Industry and complain about the Hatchery Exhibit as well as the Museum's heavy promotion of animal products – an outdated program dating from the 1950s. Call Chicago-area newspapers, magazines, radio and TV stations and ask them to do a story. Suggest that they contact United Poultry Concerns for comments, information, and interviews.

- If you are a contributor to the Museum, stop donating and tell them you won't resume until they eliminate the Hatchery Exhibit and start promoting a healthy "Food for Life" diet based on vegetables, nuts, fruits, and grains. As The Washington Post Health Section reported in "Meatless Wonders" on February 3, 1998, "Well-planned vegetarian diets are increasingly endorsed by doctors, researchers and organizations such as the National Cancer Institute, American Heart Association, U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and, most recently, the American Dietetic Association."

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Starving Hens For Profit Has Got to Stop

by Karen Davis, Ph.D. and Nedim Buyukmihci, V.M.D.

Recently a woman described the shock she experienced while touring an egg factory in Pennsylvania. When the lights were switched on in one of the blacked-out houses, the voices of the hens inside “rose to a cacophony, accompanied by the sound of thousands of beaks pecking on metal. The hens stuck their heads in and out of the cages, pecking at the feed trays, which were empty.” The manager explained that this was the first day of a seven-day “fast.” The hens were upset because they expected to be fed; by the end of seven days they would be quieter. After losing up to 30 percent of their bodyweight, demuded of feathers, starved, and deranged by fear, they would be stupefied or dead.

If the average person decided to withhold food from their dog or cat for days or weeks, that person would probably be charged with cruelty to animals and the news media would take the story and run with it. Yet, each year the egg industry intentionally deprives millions of hens of food for up to 14 days. But the cameras aren’t rolling on the hens’ behalf and no one is going to jail. This speaks volumes about the way our society views animals used for food. These animals are unprotected against the cruelest practices. Only consider that 98 percent of hens used in egg production in the United States are painfully debeaked and crammed into cages so small they can’t assume a single normal body posture.

The practice of starving hens for profit is known as forced-molting. Molting literally refers to the replacement of old feathers by new ones. In nature, birds replace all their feathers in the course of a year to maintain good plumage at all times. A natural molt often happens at the onset of winter, when nature discourages the hatching of chicks. The hen stops laying eggs and concentrates her energies on staying warm and growing new feathers.

The egg industry exploits this natural process by forcing an entire flock to molt simultaneously. This is done to manipulate the marketplace and to pump a few hundred more eggs out of exhausted hens when it is deemed cheaper to “recycle” them rather than immediately slaughter them after a year of relentless egg-laying on a calcium-deficient diet.

To trigger the physiological shock of the forced molt, a University of California poultry researcher (Donald Bell) recommends the removal of all food for no less than five days and as long as fourteen days. Survivors may be force-molted two or three times, based on economics. At any given time over 6 million hens in the U.S. are being systematically starved in their cages, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Dr. Peter Dun, an animal scientist from Scotland, said hens are force molten in the United States “until their combs turn blue.”

Forced molting should be banned in this country as was done in Great Britain in 1987. In addition to being cruel and inhumane, it causes disease. Forced molting is a major cause of Salmonella poisoning. USDA studies reported in Poultry Science show forced molting in combination with a Salmonella infection created an actual disease state in the alimentary tract of tested hens. Prolonged food deprivation wrecks the hens’ immune system, making them prey to the poisonous bacteria that infest the packed confinement buildings in which they lay their eggs.

Currently, there is not a single federal law in the United States to protect poultry from the most outrageous forms of abuse. For this reason, two nonprofit animal advocacy organizations, United Poultry Concerns and the Association of Veterinarians for Animal Rights, have developed a petition urging the egg industry to take immediate steps to eliminate the cruel practice of forced molting. To date, the industry relies on the notion that Americans couldn’t care less how a farm animal is treated. Public pressure is crucial. Readers wishing to receive more information, including a copy of the petition to stop the forced molting of laying hens, are encouraged to write to United Poultry Concerns, PO Box 59367, Potomac, Maryland 20859; and the Association of Veterinarians for Animal Rights, PO Box 208, Davis, CA 95617.

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One of the best ways to reach people is through your local newspapers. A big-city paper isn’t the only place to go. Many smaller papers are eager for interesting stories, letters and op-ed pieces, and have many readers. Call or visit the editorial-page editor of your local paper and ask the editor to run Starving Hens for Profit Has Got to Stop. UPC can provide the editor with a 3.5” disk on request or a shiny camera-ready reprint if preferred. Or the article can be printed or retyped directly from page 8 of this issue. Encourage the editor to contact UPC for more information including a color photo of hens in battery cages.

✓ Contact Your State & Federal Representatives

Find out the names of your legislators at state and federal levels.

Sample Letter ➤

The Honorable ___________
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative ___________

I strongly urge you to introduce a bill to ban the forced molting of laying hens. Forced molting – prolonged starvation of laying hens for one to two weeks without any food – is so cruel and stressful it destroys the birds’ immune system and infests them and their eggs with salmonella. Eggs are the number one cause of salmonella poisoning and forced molting is a major cause.

Based on the findings, USDA immunologist Peter S. Holt says farmers should find less stressful ways to produce eggs than starvation rations.

Please introduce legislation to ban forced molting in the [State of ___________] United States, as was done in Great Britain in 1987.

Most respectfully yours,

Name
Address

NEW! AS PROMISED!

In Spanish!

UPC is pleased to announce that our brochure, Live Poultry Markets, is now available in Spanish as well as English. We wish to thank Marion Zinowski for her translation and Patricia Vandenbergh (the illustrator of A Home for Henny) for her artwork. If you are in an area that has a live animal/poultry market, please order our brochures and distribute them. Live poultry markets are cruel and a major source of avian influenza virus.
UPC wishes to thank everyone who wrote to the American Veterinary Medical Association urging the AVMA to revise its Animal Welfare Position Statement to oppose the forced molting of laying hens. Because the AVMA is heavily involved in the poultry industry, it rationalizes many cruel practices. An example is the letter the AVMA is sending out which falsely compares the starvation of hens with "the natural brooding cycle."

Reality: The Natural Brooding Cycle of Hens

A hen with a clutch of eggs leaves her nest for ten to twenty minutes each day to forage for food, drink water, defecate, and stretch her wings. Artificially-incubated eggs must be cooled for 15 to 20 minutes a day to match the time the hen is away from her nest. During the approximately 3 weeks that a chicken is incubating her eggs, she does not deprive herself of food and water for several days while on the nest. Moreover, she is bodily and mentally engaged in a highly structured holistic activity that is meaningful to her and bears no resemblance to the alien and frightening experience of being arbitrarily deprived of food. The body language, vocalizations, state of the feathers, and overall appearance of a brooding hen manifest a condition that is totally different from the appearance and behavior of a force-molted hen.

An article on Animal Anorexias in Science (February 22, 1980) states that when animals fast in nature (hibernation, incubation, natural molting, migration, etc.) they evidently lose appetite (experience anorexia) because they are "engaged in other important activities that compete with feeding" and all the evidence indicates that "fasting is physiologically different from starvation."

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“Induced moulting is a form of starvation” – British Poultry Science (1992) 33:165-175. Comparing the removal of vital nutrients or all food from a hen to her natural, highly motivated experience of brooding and hatching her young is like arguing that depriving a defenseless person of food is the same as, or not much different from or worse than, a person’s voluntary decision to go on a diet or to fast. However, a whole different set of feelings and internal mechanisms is involved in each case. Contrary to the egg industry’s terminology designed to disguise the cruelty of forced molting, one creature cannot “fast” another creature. Fasting proceeds from an inner directive affecting one’s own body as a reflection of one’s own purpose be it maternal, migratory, political or some other internally-motivated project. I can starve you but I cannot “fast” you.

Unlike animals fasting in nature, force-molted hens have been shown to lose their natural immunity and to develop and spread diseases as a result – “In conclusion, induced moulting did exert a substantial effect on the immune system of the fasted [sic] hens .... Cellular immunity was significantly depressed during food deprivation.” Br. Poultry Science (1992) 33:165-175.

What Can I Do?

- Write to the American Veterinary Medical Association. Urge the AVMA to stand up for the hens instead of an industry that profits from their misery. Tell the AVMA to oppose forced molting and stop comparing it with motherhenhood. Contact: American Veterinary Medical Association, 1931 North Meacham Rd, Suite 100, Schaumburg, IL 60173.

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While avian flu virus can be found in wild birds, Diseases of Poultry notes the critical difference: "In contrast to domestic or confined birds, free-flying birds typically do not experience significant disease problems due to influenza virus."

The ecological cause of avian influenza and other contagious diseases is confinement and severe overcrowding of living creatures. Concentrated confinement of humans, birds, and other animals leads to contaminated air, build-up of feces and sewage, immune-system breakdown, bad sanitation, and disease. The poultry industry in Asia, Europe, and the U.S. is breeding infectious diseases like salmonella, campylobacter, and avian influenza. As microbiologist John Avens told a poultry meeting, "Infection of animals will occur more frequently and affect more individual animals as concentration of confinement increases."

As long as people demand billions of birds and other animals to be confined, slaughtered and consumed, infectious diseases will flourish, mutate, and jump species barriers. Disease organisms now link chickens, turkeys, fish, cattle, sheep, pigs, monkeys, and humans — "mad cow," salmonella, campylobacter, pfiesteria, listeria, avian flu, AIDS...

Illustration by Nigel Burroughs

In addition to the daily slaughterhouse slaughter, the mass extermination of birds who are infected, or possibly or potentially infected with the inevitable transmissible diseases of mass-confinement, goes on all the time around the world. For example, last year in Pennsylvania over a million chickens believed to have the Avian Flu virus H7N2 were "buried" within a 75-mile area of Lancaster County. In Italy, 40,000 hens linked to salmonella were killed on a battery farm in Giuliano — a tiny glimpse of the daily routine. "$I can't turn on the television without getting nauseated by the insensitivity of people, and now those millions of chickens from China slaughtered any old way. I saw one on TV tonight. Someone had hacked all its feathers off its neck and head but it was still alive, rocking back and forth."

Mass consumption of chickens and pigs has spawned pfiesteria piscicida from the poultry and pig manure on the eastern United States seacoast. This "microscopic monster" (producing in humans "pain, narcotics, disorientation, nausea, fatigues, vomiting, memory loss, immune failure and personality changes") eats the menhaden fish that are fed to poultry as fish oil and fishmeal. (What happened to all those half-eaten writhing fish they showed on TV last summer?) The Potomac River is polluted with poultry feces and coliform bacteria from West Virginia, setting the Potomac River clean-up effort backward. More and more poop is being turned into feed pellets so there's a perpetual cycle of captive "food" animals eating and excreting their own excrement. Recycling may not always be a great idea. The Center for Science in the Public Interest reports: "Eggs have become the number one contributor to food poisoning outbreaks with hundreds of thousands of Americans getting sick or dying each year."

The only healthy sickness in all this is a severe attack of guilt and nightmares like those "post-poultry blues" reported in The Wall Street Journal February 3, 1998: "For Hong Kong's Chicken Killers, The Guilt Is Hard to Stomach."

"Truckloads of clucking Chinese chickens in orange plastic crates crossed into Hong Kong yesterday, ending a six-week ban imposed to contain a deadly 'bird flu' epidemic among Hong Kong's people."

— The Washington Post, February 8, 1998
UPC Inspires Improvements at Frying Pan Park

Last September, UPC visited Frying Pan Park, a self-styled preservation of traditional rural life located in Fairfax County Virginia outside Washington D.C. Phone calls from concerned citizens prompted this visit. There, we saw debeaked, huddled chickens, wretched turkeys, and an overall impoverished environment for the birds. (Frying Pan Park is where the Thanksgiving turkey, “pardoned” each year by the U.S. president, goes with his backup to live out the rest of his life.)

A poor environment is not only bad for the health and well-being of the birds; it perpetuates the false public stereotype that chickens and turkeys are naturally “dirty” and prefer squalor to cleanliness. UPC immediately wrote a letter to the Fairfax County Park Authority and was pleased to receive in December, as promised, a report outlining significant improvements in the keeping of the birds including the discontinuation of debeaking.

Recently, UPC revisited the Park and was glad to see alert, fully-feathered hens and roosters enjoying a dustbath in fresh woodchips, tree-limbs to perch on, fresh greens and a much more cheerful atmosphere than before. The little house with four male turkeys was brighter and so were the turkeys. They too had the fresh greens that chickens and turkeys thrive on.

"What Can I Do?"

Visit the Park. It's free and open to the public from 10 AM to 6 PM 7 days a week. Take along some fresh kale, broccoli, and lettuce to give to the birds, and talk to them and the other animals and the staff at the Park. Express your appreciations, suggestions, and concerns to the Fairfax County Park Authority, 12055 Government Center Parkway, Suite 927, Fairfax, VA 22035. Ph: 703-324-8728; fax: 3989. You can call the Park directly at 703-437-9101.

HUMANE SLAUGHTER

HUMANE SLAUGHTER takes the viewer into poultry slaughterhouses to witness the horrendous suffering endured by chickens and turkeys. The video contains undercover footage obtained by Farm Sanctuary investigators of standard poultry slaughter operations, where terrified chickens and turkeys are slowly bled to death - sometimes on the slaughterhouse floor.

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