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GUEST EDITORIAL



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Dr. Steven Best, PhD

"There is a specter haunting the world," Karl Marx proclaimed forebodingly in the mid-nineteenth century, "the specter of communism." The communist "menace" has come and gone, a bureaucratic train wreck that ran through the twentieth century, derailing long before it could reach destination Utopia. Today a new specter haunts society – direct action struggles for animal rights and the environment.

Realizing that "nonviolence" against animal exploiters in fact is a pro-violence stance that tolerates their blood-spilling without taking adequate measures to stop it, a new breed of freedom fighters has ditched Gandhi for Machiavelli and switched principled nonviolence with the amoral (not to be confused with immoral) pragmatism that embraces animal liberation "by any means necessary."

Liberationists want change through peaceful and legal means as much as anyone, but they differ in their belief that mainstream tactics alone can never win animal liberation and that more confrontational approaches also are required. Moral progress does not work through gentle nudges or ethical persuasion only. Change is blocked by the corruption of the powerful and the apathy of the powerless. Sometimes justice has to be forced past the barricades of ignorance and complacency by the most enlightened people of the time. Within this framework, direct action and civil disobedience are key catalysts of progressive change.

The animal rights movement needs to stop acting like it's in a conversation instead of a war. Dogmatic Gandhians are beholden to the codes of animal oppressors that dictate terms of struggle favoring their position. But like a Roman gladiator contest between a hapless slave and hungry lions, the change-through-legislation game is rigged from the start.

Oppressors spill oceans of animals' blood and sleep in peace knowing their opposition will do little more than light a candle and that their doors will not be battered down.

SHAC has changed all that.

Human supremacists finally are getting a taste of the fear they dole out to animals every day. Whereas both enemies of animal rights and mainstream animal welfare/rights advocates see tactics of sabotage and intimidation as symptoms of desperation and irrationality, the truth is that direct action represents a newfound strength and shrewd political insights.

Pacifist arguments assume that "nonviolent" methods of resistance can solve all major social conflicts (they cannot) and that a human life has absolute value (it does not). What kind of "absolute value" does psycho-killer Ted Nugent have in comparison to the victims of his bloodlust? In what sane universe is Nugent's "right" to kill privileged over an animal's right to life? A single deer's life has far more value than Nugent's life — or even a billion bastards like him.

We cannot beat animal oppressors when playing by their own hypocritical rules that mire us in the dead-end of a legal system created by and for the corporate-state complex and that sanctify their terrorism while shouting "Terrorist!" at us. We desperately need the kind of creative and confrontational tactics pioneered by SHAC.

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This is a guerilla war, fought by ecowarriors in both underground and aboveground movements. As evident by the Vietnam War and Bush's wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, this is not a war that the corporate-state complex knows how to fight and it is perhaps one it cannot win. Through guerilla warfare, David can defeat Goliath.

And so it is clear that SHAC – David armed with a slingshot — is beating HLS – the mighty Goliath that has not yet toppled to the ground only because the UK and US terrorist states hold it up. But his knees are buckling. May HLS be the Somalia of the animal exploitation industry.

Animal liberation requires battalions of activists to break the straightjacket of mainstream thinking and join the direct action struggle. Moreover, as every liberation movement advanced and gained credibility with the help of historians, philosophers, and social theorists, the animal liberation movement will benefit by growing roots in academia.

Only counter-terrorists can defeat terrorists. May the armies of the animal, earth, and human liberationists rise and multiply in a perfect war against the oppressors of the earth.

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THE HUMAN COST OF HUNTINGDON

by **KEVIN JONAS**

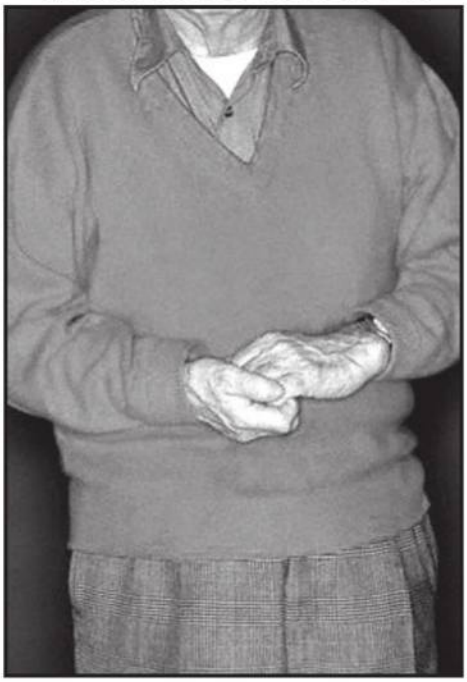
To me there is only one thing as offensive as the tragedy of suffering or dead animals lining the caged floors of vivisection labs, and that is that the pseudoscience that plagues our communities with diseases and kills our families. So often in this campaign against Huntingdon, and vivisection in general, my tone has been of absolute indignant anger. I am mortified by the images and testimonies from inside of HLS to an internal boiling point I normally don't even know is possible. This last month has been different for me, however, as the real price of vivisection was paid for within my family, and the cost was dear.

In January my grandfather died of Parkinson's disease. He had been suffering for over five years from this debilitating illness. It is an insidious disease that strips those afflicted of their cognitive abilities, and ultimately their dignity. My Grandfather was a proud, hardworking, honest, and generous man and it was an absolute travesty for my family to have to bear witness to this heartbreaking end.

It is believed my Grandfather was afflicted with the disease as result of years of earnest work as a farmer using what was thought to be harmless agrochemicals, DDT and other such poisons. Pesticides, mind you, that were all tested safe for human exposure. They were pesticides that were tested on animals. The same sort of deadly inaccurate experiments carried out at Huntingdon Life Sciences.

Never before the last five years have I been more acutely aware of the drumbeat of the vivisection community, pounding out its propaganda. Nauseatingly I watched as this pseudoscience toyed with the emotions of those around me, sending them on an absolute rollercoaster ride, as news of discoveries and breakthroughs for the disease were always followed by disclaimers saying the miracle drug has yet to work in humans. Vivisection has always been a personal issue for me, one beyond my absolute loyalty to the canine kingdom (especially beagles). I had lost my best friend to brain cancer, my great grandmother to Alzheimer's, and now this. I am not anti-science by any stretch of the imagination. I want cures to these terrible conditions just as much as the next person, but simply put - I know researching animals is just not going to do it. We are wasting valuable time, money, and skill in this fruitless chase.

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Animal research advocates are always saying that our movement for compassion needs to prove that animal research does not work, but it should be the other way around. These well-paid "scientists" need to prove to us that it does. They need to show us where the rising Parkinson's, AIDs, stroke, heart-disease, MS, leukemia, and cancer rates are being turned around through their molestation of small defenseless creatures. Their tired arguments that every major medical breakthrough included animal research as a step in their discovery is bunk and unsubstantiated. An easy analogy I like to use to illustrate this is that it takes me 15 steps to get from the first floor of my home to the second. I could add an extra step and it would also get me there, but it would be unnecessary. Likewise with animal research, it adds steps we do not need, and in most cases to many inappropriate steps that make us overshoot and misdirect our destination.

Vivisection has got to stop. It has to stop because it is morally repugnant and because, in even simpler terms, it is killing us. Campaigning against animal-testing is our own fight for survival and there is no place more appropriate to start this then at the ground-level with Huntingdon Life Sciences.



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FROM COAST TO COAST

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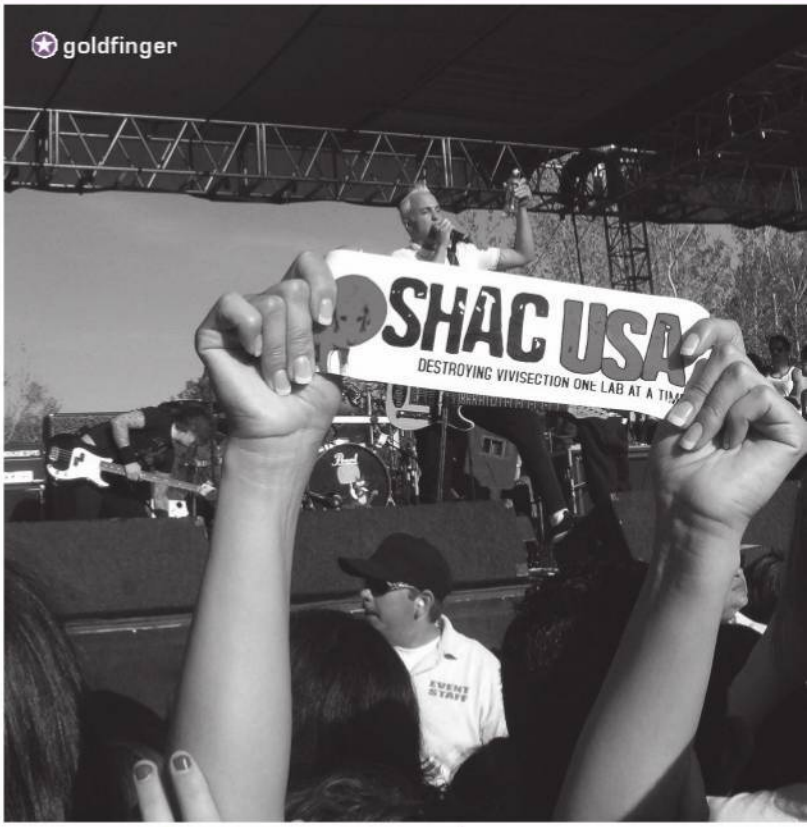
'f*ck hls!' *-goldfinger*

On Sunday March 28th over 5000 people poured into the large outdoor Oak Canyon Valley venue in Orange Country, California for the biggest benefit show to date for SHAC USA.

From 11AM to 5PM, fifteen different bands entertained the crowds on three different stages. SHAC, Vegan Outreach, Last Chance for Animals, Orange County People for Animals, and PETA 2 all set up large exhibits distributing free literature, stickers, newsletters, calendars, and information about leading a cruelty-free lifestyle. SHAC USA distributed over 3,000 cruelty-free shopper booklets, 1,300 HLS info booklets, 500 Andrew Baker fliers (with his LA address featured prominently on the back), and 350 newsletters. Several hundred concert-goers signed up for the SHAC USA action list and promised to attend future demonstrations in their area.

Headlining bands the Used, Goldfinger (joined by Good Charlotte members), Story of the Year, and Hazen Street had thousands jumping. In between songs several bands plugged going vegan, the importance of being cruelty-free, and John Feldman (frontman for Goldfinger), passionately told the crowds about the horrors of Huntingdon Life Sciences – encouraging everyone to take an active role in smashing this miserable lab to pieces.

The concert was a huge success, lots of money was raised, and thousands were informed. Special thanks to John Feldman, and John Reese of Freeze Management.



BLACK BEAUTY KICKS BOOTY



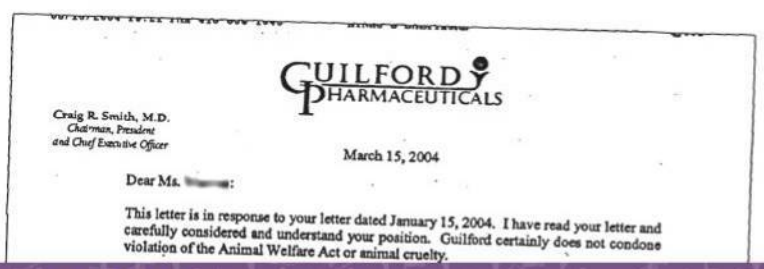
'looks like we got ourselves a convoy'

The SHAC USA Convoy pulled through 8 cities and attended 16 demonstrations and outreach events with the enormous Black Beauty projection TV truck. For those customers of HLS that refused to accept our packages containing the undercover HLS footage, we brought the message and the images home to them personally. Parked in front of the homes, and driving slowly through the neighborhoods of executives, Chiron, Forest, and Sumitomo, nobody could ignore the shocking cruelty of HLS employees.

Black Beauty took on Andrew Baker as well, touring his posh Upper West Side community. While protestors swarmed his front door, the truck on two occasions made laps around his building gathering the support of the famously dog-friendly area. The owner of the pet-food store where Baker shops for his own dogs was so disgusted he closed their account and Andrew and Susan are no longer welcome in his shop.

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hls: desperate for the 'hail mary'



GUILFORD PHARMACEUTICALS

Craig R. Smith, M.D.
Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

March 15, 2004

Dear Ms. [redacted]:

This letter is in response to your letter dated January 15, 2004. I have read your letter and carefully considered and understand your position. Guilford certainly does not condone violation of the Animal Welfare Act or animal cruelty.

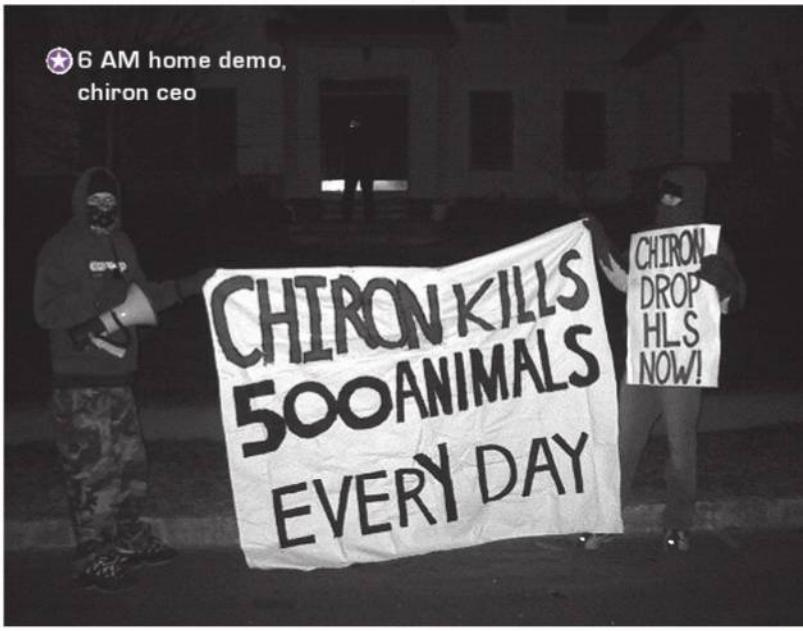
Activists across the country keep racking up victories in the many skirmishes against HLS allies. Since January 1st, two customers and 4 market makers have called it quits with Huntingdon. Philadelphia activists persuaded Berwind Pharmaceuticals (who had contracted with HLS only nine months prior) to sever ties with office demos, disrupting the CEO's fiftieth birthday party, and lots of bad press. Baltimore battled with Guilford Pharmaceuticals and convinced the president of the company that HLS was cruel to animals and to take the ethical move to drop their contracts there. The CloseHLS listserve took on and clobbered Crown Financial Services, Domestic Securities Inc., Jefferies and Co., and Maxim Group LLC – who stated to SHAC, "I would not touch HLS, even if my life depended on it." All this and we still have three rounds to go.

CHIRON SLAPPS, SHAC SLAPS BACK

firing the warning shot across the bow

After a year of constant home protests, 3AM screeching alarms hidden in bushes, stolen credit cards, and a boom in the night outside the office building, Chiron has foolishly decided to sue the only public face to the campaign – the website that reports on the activity. In a "Strategic Litigation Against Public Participation" (SLAPP) suit, Chiron is trying to hold the SHAC USA website and newsletter responsible for their animal rights misery.

When Chiron failed to get their restraining order from a California judge, they went shopping for another in New Jersey and Seattle. Sick of unconstitutional abuses, SHAC USA has taken Chiron (and their insanely expensive law firm) head on in a pitched legal battle. Working with the California Anti-SLAPP Project and an ACLU attorney in New Jersey, SHAC USA has filed an anti-SLAPP motion against the HLS customer. The Chiron suit has publicly demonstrated they care just as much about freedom of speech as they do the animals suffering inside of HLS.



HUNTINGDON'S COOKED BOOKS

2 part lies, 1 part conversion



The 4th quarter financial results are finally out for HLS, and partially for the year-end. The results show much of the same that we have seen over the last year: deceptive figures dressed up to mask glaring growth stagnation, a mountain of debt, and little prospect for change.

Huntingdon moves figures from column to column to create press sound bites. When Cass and Baker excitedly talk about the two million in profit the 4th quarter created, they conspicuously do not mention the coincidental new 2 million in debt they all of a sudden have tacked onto the liabilities. Did the money Huntingdon proudly "earned" come from actual organic growth and hard-earned work? Nope. See the foreign conversion transaction gains – trading pounds to dollars hardly makes HLS a profit-making company.

There is increasing desperation in these quarterly filings, as HLS is trying to paint a picture of 'recovery' at all costs. The reason for such panic is that in two years they have got to come up with over 85 million to pay down staggering debts (which will be impossible seeing as the best they can do per *year* is a questionable million or so from the conversion transactions) or, as they are hoping against hopes, find some dupe to yet again offer another re-financing. As SHAC around the globe rounds this final bend in the HLS wars, it must be our job to keep the prospects of such a friendly financier out of reach and to continue to hammer away at HLS' dangerously diminishing customer base.

THE FOCUS ON FOCAL

dialing 'm' for murder

As much as everyone loved to prank call HLS, it was time this campaign cut the communication lines to the lab. During February and March of '04, activists laid siege to the telephone company that contracted Huntingdon's phone lines. After a sympathetic inside source at Focal leaked news of the contract, the offices were disrupted, emails poured in, and homes were demoed. Focal became shaky on the HLS question after 15,000 emails crashed in, execs had homes painted, and the Chicago office reportedly experienced a bomb threat. At the time of print Focal has called it quits. The SHAC USA offices have just received a letter from the company announcing it has given HLS a termination date on the contract. An inside source again has leaked that Verizon, an east coast carrier, may be in talks to pick up the work order (at an increased cost of course) but details are still not hammered out. Stay tuned for further action alerts as we get ready to hang up on Huntingdon.


FOCAL

April 13, 2004

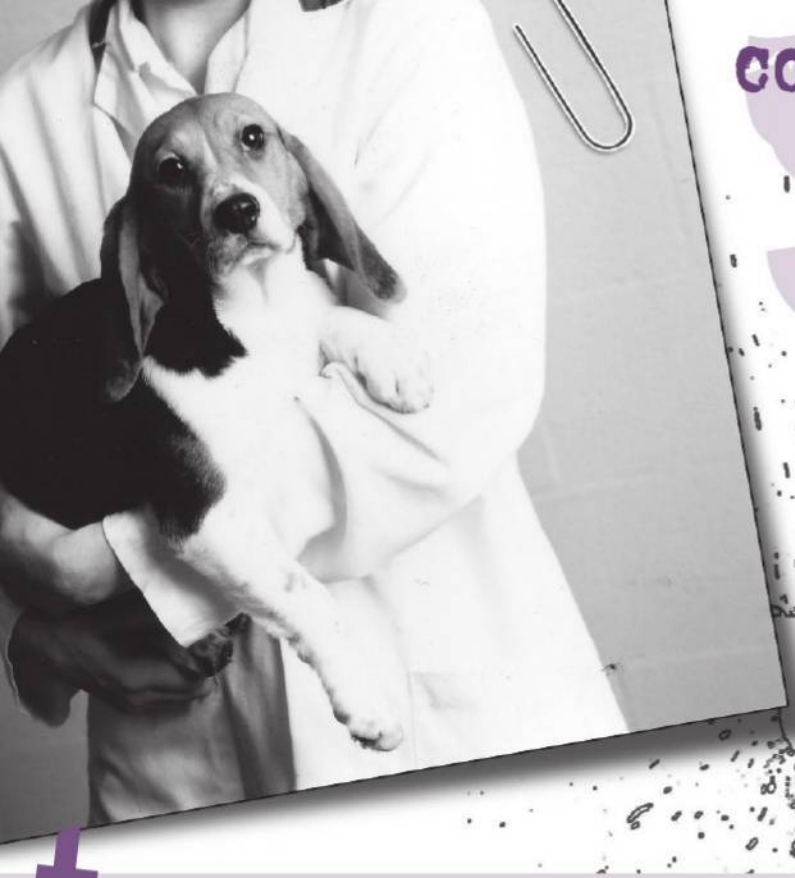
SHAC FOUGHT THE LAW, AND SHAC WON

when will they learn?



In the Fall of 2002, the Massachusetts Attorney General's office filed felony charges against 12 animal rights activists for staging a demonstration outside the home of a Marsh executive. With a politically charged motive, the AG accused the demonstrators of extortion, stalking, threats, and conspiracy for simply chanting slogans.

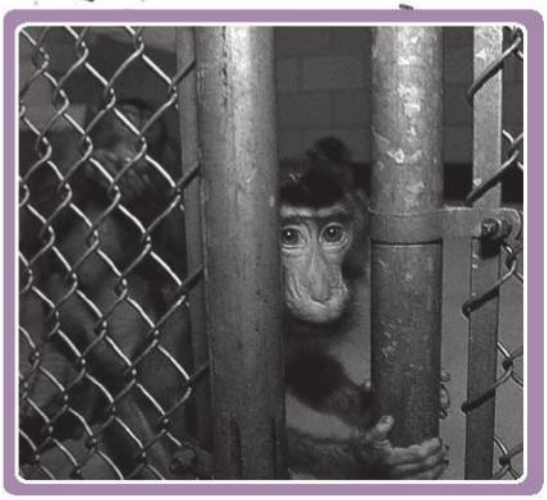
Unfortunately for Massachusetts law enforcement, that tricky 1st amendment got in the way, and the judge dismissed the charges. The dismissal was a stunning upset for the Attorney General's office who was itself trying the case (not a district attorney), and for Marsh Inc. whom, after capitulation to SHAC's demands to drop HLS, held on this criminal matter as their last chance at revenge.



CONFESSIONS OF A serial

two years ago SHAC USA was tipped off to a former Huntingdon Life Sciences employee who was experiencing remorse and wanted to come clean about her time inside of the lab. She saw a donation jar for the campaign inside a New Jersey co-op and was prompted to call and tell us in detail what she saw, and did, inside of HLS. As much of a coward as she was then to work inside of HLS, she was brave to come forward later in her life, to own up to the mistakes she made and to break the confidentiality agreement she was bound by. Her brief interview gives us a chilling reminder that what we have seen in the video excerpts from the lab are a just like any ordinary day in this animal Auschwitz. Cruelty was rampant, the science was a joke, and blockhead Caulfield was never respected by the other employees.

For the sake of protecting her identity, we will refer to the ex-employee as Jane.



SHAC USA: How long did you work inside of HLS?

Jane: Let's see, I worked there for about two years before Huntingdon was called Huntingdon. It was Biodynamics until the mid 90's when HLS in England took it over. I then left and came back to work a couple years later for about a year or so. So in all, I was at Huntingdon for about 3 years, give or a take a few months.

SHAC USA: What did you do?

Jane: I worked in Histology, which means I worked where we would study animal tissues after necropsies: blood, organs, test materials, etc. As a part of the Histology department we are supposed to do rotations into Necropsy (where the animals are "euthanized" and cut apart), but I always managed to avoid it. I couldn't stand to know what happened inside of those rooms. They were always a mess too. Techincally, and legally, they were supposed to be very sterile, but there were always dried up and crusty messes and blood splats. Kind of fit the cliché stereotype of an animal-testing lab.

SHAC USA: Please describe the culture inside of HLS.

Jane: In a word, immature. That is what I remember most about the people making up the staff. The young and the old all had this very juvenile workplace demeanor. I mean, I was not up in the offices much. It could have been different in finance or something. But those doing the hands-on with the animals were like big kids. Lots of joking, gossiping... I don't know, nothing seemed all that serious.

SHAC USA: Who did you work with (current list of HLS employees read out):

Jane: I remember Mike Caulfield. He worked there in the early nineties too, and I think briefly left to be at Bristol (Myers Squibb) for a while. It was not until he came back that he got hired into a higher position. I didn't know him that well, he seemed very rigid, kind of boring. His new role with Huntingdon [vs. with Biodynamics] was I think supposed to be like his triumphant return, but most still didn't take him seriously, or thought it was kind of sad he was back here again. He didn't really have a lot of respect at the company from those I had to work with, but then I didn't see him much as he was in the office side of the building mostly.

SHAC USA: Why did you work at HLS?

Jane: It was close, they were hiring... I don't know, there was nothing special about Huntingdon that drew me there. It was not hard to get a job there, they seemed to hire just about anybody. I was not terribly qualified to be doing some of the stuff I was responsible for doing,

killer

but nobody really was so I didn't feel uncomfortable or anything.

SHAC USA: Did your work ever trouble you?
Jane: At first, very much, but then you just get used to it. Since I avoided the necropsy area as much as I could I didn't have to do much of the hands-on animal stuff. There were still things that I find terrible, and I'm not just talking about how sad it was to see those beagles cooped up and sick twenty-four hours a day. There was this one time we got a shipment of chicks for a study and we received more than we needed. Instead of housing them or doing something humane, you know, treating them like they mattered, someone was ordered to take the extras and put them in this big oil drum, seal it up, and then pump carbon-monoxide into it, essentially suffocating them. To Huntingdon it was just cheaper to kill them than to think of an alternative. But that's how you looked at animals there, they were just 'animals' – test subjects.

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SHAC USA: What life-saving research came out of HLS?
Jane: Ah, none that I can think of. We worked on some pharmaceutical stuff, but nothing was like the cure to cancer. There were some drugs that were to treat symptoms of an illness as I recall, but I am not sure how far those went. The sponsors often were changing the intended purpose of the drug throughout studies.

SHAC USA: What are some famous examples of HLS studies?
Jane: You want a couple household name ones? There is Olestra. I remember we did that at Huntingdon. Olestra was the non-fat oil that ended up in potato chips, but didn't last long because it had all sorts of side effects, including anal leakage. Huntingdon also played a role in the Botox tests. Again not exactly life-saving research, and if people only knew the real price of their vanity, huh?

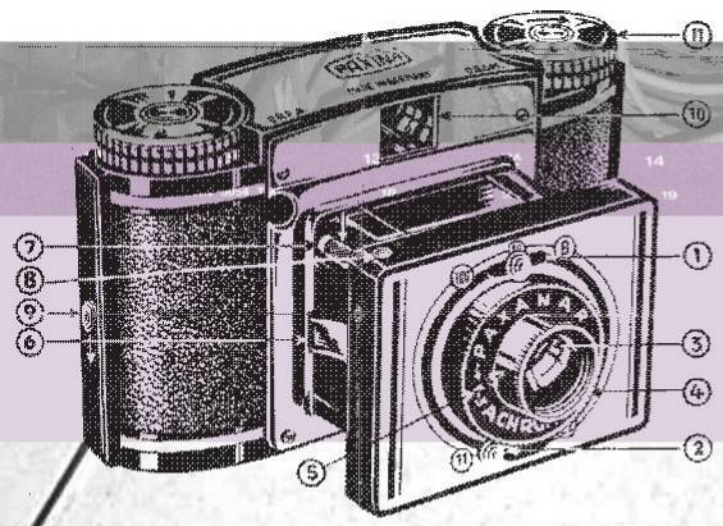
SHAC USA: Can you describe the USDA inspections?
Jane: We usually knew if we were going to be inspected by the USDA, and they weren't that worrying. It was the sponsors who paid surprise visits, and who we needed to be on the ball for.

SHAC USA: Do you think HLS should be shut down?
Jane: Yeah, there was a lot of cruelty going on at HLS. The animals were really not handled well, there was never enough anesthetic given, and I wouldn't really trust the safety of the tests. It just was not a very professional place, and I think if you are going to be doing what Huntingdon does to those animals you at least have to take seriously their pain.

LEARN MORE

learn more about the abuses going on in hls by visiting InsideHLS.com





Well surprise, surprise – yet again someone has leaked sensitive internal information from inside of Huntingdon Life Sciences. Again the investigations reveal ridiculous experiments and horrendous animal cruelty. In the name of a refrigeration component taken off the market (and already banned in many countries), many beagles and mice were poisoned and anguished alone.



The documents taken are sensitive and classified experimentation reports Huntingdon conducted for two Japanese chemical companies. They report the conclusions to experiments measuring the effect of hydro-chloroflour-ocarbons (HCFCs) on the heart. The test subjects were 9 beagle dogs only 7 months in age, and twenty mice only seven weeks old. The test lasted five months and the HCFCs were administered by inhalation. What the two companies *didn't* expect, was that they would be...

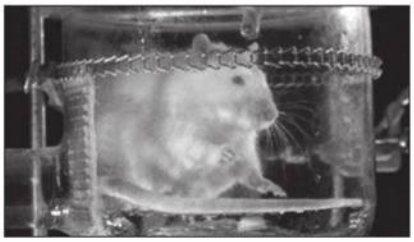
EXPOSED

"your secrets are our secrets"
- huntingdon life sciences

exposé #1 — *Assesment of Anaesthetic Potency in Mice by Inhalation*

In the first part of the test, four groups of mice were exposed to varying levels of HCFC mixed with at least 10% pure oxygen while trapped inside a bag. The results listed in the clinical observations recorded the first group of mice exhibiting the following behaviors:

•hyperactivity, loss of balance, and eyes closing after 9 minutes of exposure.



Group two saw similar results after being poisoned at a higher dose:

•hyperactivity, and slight ataxia (the inability to coordinate muscle movements, a symptom of a nervous disorder), and eyes were half closed after eight minutes.

Group three progressively got worse with the higher concentration of the chemical:

•after one minute the mice were hyperactive during cleaning and grooming, but generally slowed down and showed signs of ataxia between two minutes, and finally stopped grooming themselves after about seven and half minutes.

Group four, who experienced the highest concentration of HCFC, showed the following:

•hyperactivity right off the bat, lots of grooming, a quicker and more moderate form of ataxia sets in; after four minutes all the mice are lying on their sides paddling their forelimbs; after 6 and 8 minutes the mice are nodding their heads with half-closed eyes. After the gassing all the mice had whole body tremors.

All four groups of mice showed no further signs of abnormalities two hours after the exposure.

So, what important conclusions can we draw from this experiment? Well, apparently when mice breathe this banned refrigeration chemical they tend to get hyper, clean themselves a lot, then slow down their cleaning, lose control of their bodies, shake, and recover after two hours. Wow! Seeing as reactions mice have to chemicals only match up 70% of the time to the reactions rats have to the same substances, we obviously can safely deduce all sorts of things about how people will react if they breathe up to 50% of their oxygen intake as HCFCs for over nine minutes. Bravo HLS!!

exposé #2 — *An Inhalation Study to Investigate the Cardiac Sensitization Potential in the Beagle Dog*

Part two of the study of HCFCs saw Huntingdon strap inhalation masks to the faces of several beagle dogs whilst they were restrained and having adrenaline injected into them (so as to record heart sensitizations.)

For five months, the beagles showed that after more exposure to the HCFCs they exhibited more 'clinical' signs of loss of consciousness or struggling. During the experiment, the following behavior was recorded:

- slight limb tremors
- restlessness
- vocalizing (crying; barking)
- eyes staring/unfocused/glazed
- whole body tremors
- slow deep breathing
- twitching
- drooping of head
- agitation
- head tremors
- trembling
- struggling
- pawing of mask
- swaying in swing
- unresponsiveness to stimuli
- shaking head
- apparent unconsciousness

The longest exposure time ran 14 minutes, and upon removing the mask the dogs would 'vocalize'... i.e. cry and bark. The violent convulsions the dogs would experience and post procedural vomiting was not treated, and the beagles would suffer until they finally regained composure.



The conclusion to the study found that the HCFCs did not cause cardiac sensitization in the beagles, and therefore carried no adverse effect. Never mind the other heart-breaking effects the beagles were traumatized with; there were no heart effects. You can breathe a sigh of relief though. The next time your dog breathes a highly concentrated form of HCFC from a refrigerator you don't have (it hasn't been sold in 15 years) for 14 minutes straight, her heart won't skip a beat. Thanks Huntingdon – we can all sleep better at night now.

Time and time again we hear the lies that companies like HLS conduct life-saving research. But so far we have exposed HLS testing Olestra, Botox, coffee sweetener, perfume, tanning lotion, dental hygiene products, food coloring, and now expired refrigeration compounds. Mysteriously though, cancer, AIDS, and Parkinson's disease still run rampant.



MOVEMENT

SHAC is an animal rights campaign, not just an anti-vivisection campaign. We are striving to shut down HLS because we believe no animal - be it a chicken, mouse, bear, or beagle - should be hunted, eaten, poisoned, abused, or exploited in any way. To that end, this campaign is a vehicle to advance an animal rights agenda, taking people from all walks of life who are compassionate about puppies, monkeys, rabbits, and cats, and introducing

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ADL-LA *GREENWALT'S GONE*

The Animal Defense League of Los Angeles successfully forced the resignation of several corrupt city officials involved with a kill-happy Department of Animal Control. For the last 8 months, the ADL LA used SHAC tactics in applying public and personal pressure to those responsible for side-stepping humane methods of animal control and subsequently brought the department to its knees.

After several office protests, home protests (including that of the LA Mayor), and many unsolicited ALF actions, the pressure was too much. The ADL is now carefully watching what future steps the Department will take to ensure the tragic issue of cat and dog overpopulation is correctly addressed.

The victory goes to show what persistence, ingenuity, and bold actions can accomplish where diplomacy and welfarist hand-holding fails. The same fate suffered by animal control director Jerry Greenwalt will meet Andrew Baker and all the cretins running HLS!

P.S. To LA activists now without Jerry Greenwalt home demos to do: Andrew Baker has a plush million dollar home at [redacted]

For more information, visit: www.AnimalDefense.com



WHIPLASH *RAID A LAB!*

Have you ever wanted to smash up a lab, take the animals and run the company out of business? Now you can! A new video game is being released that has caused quite a stir. The new game "Whiplash" lets you control two escaped animals from a horrible product testing lab. Your mission: to release all the animals, smash all the lab equipment, and send the company into financial ruin. Sound familiar?

The creators of the game state, "Whiplash is based in a fictional animal-testing laboratory where the object is to rescue all of the animals and destroy the evil testing lab. Although the video game is fictional, we hope that it raises positive awareness of animal testing among children."

Sounds good to us! But of course the government and the industry feel different. They're afraid it will help recruit people to the ALF and SHAC! One media outlet stated:

"The release of Whiplash ... will add to concerns about the spread of militant animal rights campaigners, such as the Animal Liberation Front and the Stop Huntingdon Animal Cruelty group."

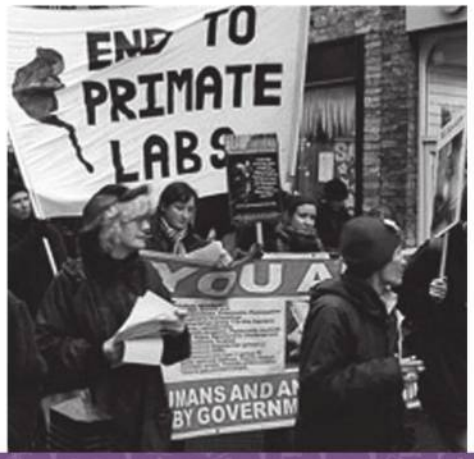


SPEAC *BRITISH PRIMATE LAB HALTED*

Stop Primate Experimentation At Cambridge (SPEAC) scored a historical and unprecedented victory in February. The famous Cambridge University was planning to build a large-scale neurological primate research center with the full blessing and encouragement of the UK government.

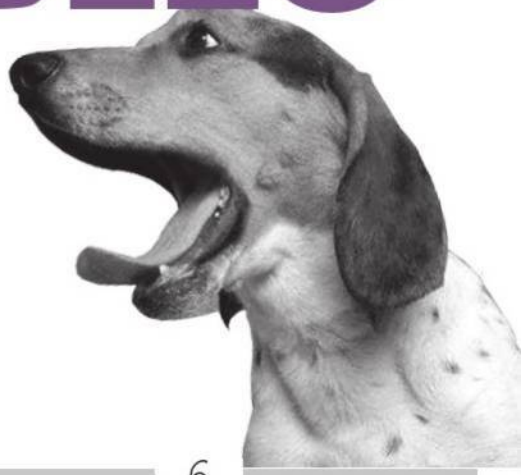
During several town-hall meetings, various experimenters gave damning testimony against the scientific and ethical treatment of primates in labs and Greg Avery from SHAC UK had the attention of every decision as he vowed a wave of protest activity no different than that against Huntingdon Life Sciences (located only ten minutes from the proposed lab.) The meetings were followed by legal challenges, street demonstrations, negative press, and a looming security threat. The University and town decided against building the lab (much to the chagrin of Lord Sainsbury) because of the costs of policing and protecting the staff. The SHAC campaign is having ripple effects far beyond HLS.

For more information, visit: www.PrimatePrison.org



MENTIONABLES

them to a fire-brand style of activism - and reasons they should be concerned about all animal issues. SHAC is a proud and popular animal rights campaign, but it isn't the only one on the block. Lots of news has been made for the animals recently and below are a few of the fun and effective stories you should know about.



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PETA *FUR WARS ARE BACK*

When it comes to anti-fur activism, nobody is as in your face as People for the Ethical Treatment of animals. Over the 03-04 winter season they put an aggressive street presence into motion, attacking the one thing fur-wearing cads care about the most: their appearance. In a series of press stunts aimed at personalizing the cruelty issue, activists crashed high-end fashion shows brandishing the most unflattering blown-up photos of the guilty (and ugly) designers, handed out seemingly innocuous comics to kids attending holiday plays with mothers in fur coats detailing just how that garment was made, and following ordinary people on the streets in fur photographing them with signs behind them saying 'bet she would wear dog-fur also'.

PETA volunteers also aggressively pushed the issue in the face of everyone else. On NYC subway cars, activists confronted trapped passengers with an exact replica of what a skin fox looks like, conducted endless outreach tabling, and organized high profile street demonstrations. A favorite of SHAC supporters were bull's-eye stickers you could plant right on a fur coat reading "Warning: If you were fur, watch your back."

For more information on what you can do to sponsor one of several ads, where to get free campaign materials, and ideas on how to end the fur trade, please visit www.FurIsDead.com



GOURMET CRUELTY *DUCK ENTHUSIASTS*

www.Gourmetcruelty.com is a website and coalition advocating the closure of the US's only two foie gras farms. After undertaking a months-long investigation in both New York and California, the organization released a damning undercover documentary about the abusive and inhumane practices of raising ducks for their overstuffed liver. The video, called *Delicacy of Despair*, follows the daily living conditions of the birds as they have giant tubes crammed down their throats and are instantly pumped full of feed. The overfeeding of the ducks causes their livers to grow to an unhealthy size, and this becomes the food of wealthy patrons of upscale restaurants.

The issue gained bi-coastal notoriety after the investigation was picked up in the news media. The press interest was sparked after a series of ALF attacks put the fear of god into a CA foie gras farm owner and two open rescues nabbed at least fifteen ducks. Activists across the country are encouraged to take part in the campaign by asking local restaurants to discontinue serving this unhealthy and cruel dish.

For more info please visit www.GourmetCruelty.com



LCA *BIGGEST PET-THEFT BUST EVER*

After a staggering 15 year investigation of an Arkansas class B animal dealer by Last Chance for Animals, the USDA has finally charged C.C. Baird with over 1000 counts of animal cruelty in a 108 page complaint. The charges, which include alleged violations of random source regulations and name more than 52 "bunchers" emplyed to steal companion animals and sell them to research laboratories, are graphic and disturbing.

The investigation prompted the US Attorney and five other federal agencies to investigate and seize 125 of the 750 imprisoned animals. The dogs rescued where malnourished, beaten, and living amongst the corpses and skeletons of other dogs that died in their pens.

LCA President Chris DeRose hopes the investigation will further legislation to protect companion animals from winding up in research labs. C.C. Baird faces over $4 million in fines and the loss of his class B dealer status. The investigation also casts great shame over the government agencies responsible for regulating and overseeing this class of dealers, as well as laboratory settings (ahem... HLS!)

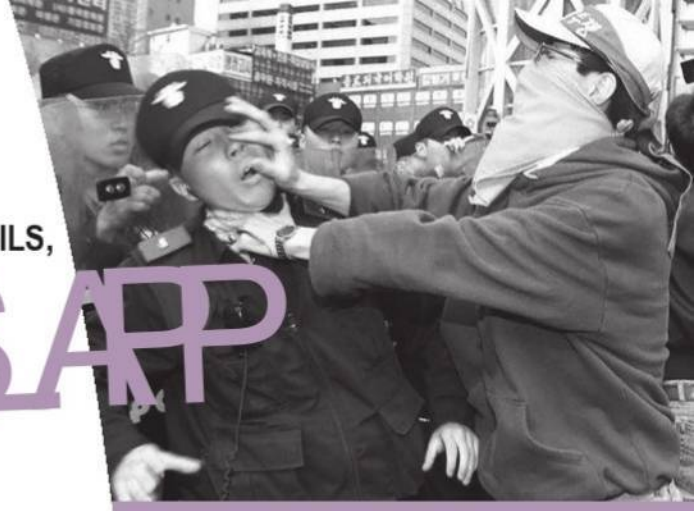
For more information please visit www.LCAnimal.org





LEGAL BEAGLE

WHEN ALL ELSE FAILS, SLAPP



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WHAT ARE SLAPP SUITS?

SLAPPs, or Strategic Litigation Against Public Participation, are civil lawsuits filed against a defendant because of his/her/its First Amendment expression. As such, activists are frequently targets of SLAPP suits.

SLAPPs are usually filed by a government entity or corporation and are based on ordinary civil tort claims such as private nuisance, emotional distress, and interference with contract. However, the hallmark of a SLAPP suit is that the speech or activity that gave rise to the plaintiffs' complaint is expressly protected by the First Amendment from, among other things, precisely this sort of litigation.

Most SLAPPs are legally meritless. However, they are often successful at achieving their true objectives:

- to divert the defendants' time and resources away from the issue of protest by forcing them to deal with litigation;

- to chill speech by sending a message to others that "you too will be sued if you speak up".

THE SHAC USA EXPERIENCE: *PROTECTING FREE SPEECH BEYOND PETITIONS AND PROTESTS*

Traditionally, SLAPPs have been filed against individuals or groups opposing an issue through public protest or petitioning. However, SHAC USA's experience has underscored the fact that even the most robust expression is protected, rendering litigation aimed at stifling it no less a SLAPP.

SHAC USA proudly reports on and ideologically supports illegal activity. We hold the ALF in the same esteem as the Boston Tea Party and the Underground Railroad, and we're not afraid to say it. Shocked and appalled, campaign targets are frantic for a way to shut us up. Lo and behold the old standby – the SLAPP suit.

SHAC USA is frequently the victim of SLAPPs and, each time, the plaintiffs are convinced that SHAC USA's speech can't possibly be permissible. Unfortunately - for them - they've merely made us keenly aware of the strong protections provided by the First Amendment, and we're only more eager to use them.

RESOURCES

SLAPPs: Getting Sued for Speaking Out
By George W. Pring and Peneolpe Canan
It all started here. Pring and Canan coined the term "SLAPP" in this book.

The California Anti-SLAPP Project
www.CASP.net
The most active effort against SLAPPs in the country. The CASP website is a comprehensive introduction to SLAPP suits and how to fight them, including resources for outside CA.

SHAC USA can help!
Though we cannot provide legal advice, SHAC USA can offer personal experience and lawyer contacts.

What Can YOU Do?

Learn About SLAPPs and 1st Amendment Law:
Learn how to recognize a SLAPP and how they are defeated. Knowledge of First Amendment law is invaluable, not only for defending a SLAPP, but also to ensure that your speech is not chilled by slimy-corporations-turned-slimy-plaintiffs trying to tell you what you're doing is wrong.

Plan Ahead:
Contact attorneys interested in First Amendment litigation, looking for someone who is ready to represent you in a SLAPP suit if and when one is filed. Work with that person to ensure s/he knows how to defend you in a SLAPP and what resources are available.

Work To Strengthen anti-SLAPP Efforts:
Does your state have an anti-SLAPP statute? Is it strong, or could it use some improvement? Anti-SLAPP statutes aim to provide for prompt disposal of SLAPP suits. However, they are often weak and fail to encompass a large number of suits that are SLAPP in nature. Contact civil liberties groups and attorneys and throw some effort towards strengthening general awareness and protections against SLAPPs in your state.

Most Importantly...
SLAPP filers don't care if they win or lose the suit. A true win for them is silencing their critics. So say it louder and prouder than you did before! If SHAC activists have demonstrated anything, it is an unending creativity and unwillingness to be stopped, devising ways to clear any hurdle thrown in their way. Obstruction too can be the mother of invention.

SHACGLOBAL

dismantling hls country by country

The SHAC campaign maintains a fierce protest presence in 18 separate countries on five different continents. Just as many corporations go multi-national to reap the economic benefits of an international economy, the animal rights movement has followed step to keep them publicly accountable. No matter where HLS and their allies turn in this increasingly shrinking world, they are met with bullhorns and bricks.

SHAC's multi-continental presence has thwarted Huntingdon's plans of finding a safe haven, and voided any potency of injunctions obtained by its customers. Just as one country of activists is being "restrained," offices are being taken over and homes attacked in another part of the world against the same corporate cousin of the lab. The very way companies used to escape protest pressure has now become their most telling Achilles heal.



SHACUK

The supplier campaign continues to ratchet up victory after victory. As this newsletter goes to print, 28 companies have stopped supplying the Huntingdon Research Center. HLS has lost its security guards, taxi service, equipment providers, laundry agents, and countless others at all levels of importance.

The customer campaign continues to heat up. With each legitimate demonstration, SHAC is hit with a variety of injunctions from a lawsuit crazy biotech industry. The effect of the restraint on SHAC has backfired severely for the HLS sponsors, however. Since the injunctions first started coming down in January there has been a 500% increase in ALF activity against these corporations! The same companies who complained about people with signs, now have to contend with activists painting up their cars, and its their own fault!

SHACEUROPE

Across Europe various SHAC chapters are keeping busy with many HLS customers. Aiding their efforts have been several ALF attacks. In Italy, Germany, Switzerland, Austria, and the Netherlands, Yamanouchi, Sumitomo, Santen, Ashaii Glass, and several others have found themselves staring down the barrel of bullhorns and spray-paint cans. Russian activists continue to contribute from their Siberian safe-haven with constant internet attacks. Huntingdon's website has been dismantled, over 10,000 emails have poured into their system, and their phone lines have even come under attack.



SHACSOUTHAMERICA

That's right, the campaign to close HLS has opened up new fronts in a whole other hemisphere. South America may not be the most needed spot for a SHAC chapter, but it sure doesn't hurt either. In both Uruguay and Argentina animal rights activists have been educating their communities about HLS (we can attest to this, as the SHAC USA office keeps getting info-pack requests from there). Both countries are on the look out for HLS customer branch offices in their region.





SHAC, Prague style



what happens when you are a director of a company that supports HLS?

YOU QUIT.

what it feels like to be on the receiving end.

We may be a movement for compassion, but there are some individuals undeserving of our sympathy or mercy. For those who criminally abuse animals in labs and profit off of the pain, we can only offer crocodile tears when it is their turn to feel professional and personal unrest. After all the misery and injustice caused by these cretins for decades, it is nice to know that some are starting to reap what they sow.

Take the interview below as an example of the global unrest plaguing allies of HLS and vivisection. The statements are taken from an interview in a Dutch newspaper with the Director of Chiron in the Netherlands. The article chronicles his resignation from the company after 17 years at the hands of some pretty serious direct action. Although we take some of his allegations with a grain of salt, it must be said we cannot endorse all the activism he faced. We are reprinting these statements in order to give as much public notice as possible about what one could expect should they do business with HLS. [*Also – there is some sense of satisfaction in reading about Chiron's misery, after all the suffering they caused at HLS. If any one deserves such treatment it's them.*] Rene van der Kwaak former director of Chiron in the Netherlands:

>> "*They have to know that I quit Chiron. I have sent them an email. Hopefully they will leave me alone now.*"

>> "*It all started with a broken window. We thought it would be a break in. It happens more often in this area, that they smash a window to break in. It is a fancy neighborhood. But a day later I received a call from a colleague from Germany. Did those people of SHAC throw in your window?*"

>> "*I didn't know SHAC and I didn't know Huntingdon Life Sciences. I didn't know Chiron had connections with HLS. But yes, they do business with many vivisection labs…*"

>> "*After that call from the German colleague I was looking for more information about SHAC. The police showed me a video about their way of activism. You don't know what you're seeing. Paintbombs, arsons. On the internet they tell each other proudly who they went after this time. The smashed window suddenly got another dimension.*"

"I became ill. I was totally down. I couldn't concentrate anymore, I didn't feel like working. I never had that before in my life. I was thinking all the time: what would be their next step? You're living in fear. You become extremely alert in a nasty way."

>> "*You're asking yourself what will happen next? I followed the SHAC website. I became paranoid. You're keeping an eye on people passing by your house. It became a fearful situation.*"

>> "*They (the Dutch police) heard that SHAC organized a week of action. I asked for a guard from Chiron and I received one. Every night there was a guard. When he came on a Sunday evening, he saw that a bomb was put in front of my door. A bomb! When I came home, the street was full with police. An ambulance came, the fire department. A guy from the explosive services. He took away the bomb. It appeared to be a not activated firework bomb.*"

>> Hetty, his wife: "*When we went to bed and I turned out the light, I always looked outside to see if there were any skimasks walking in our garden. If we had to go in the car, then Rene started the car and I still waited inside with the children. If a bomb would explode we would at least survive.*"

>> "*(One night) I saw 2 people with skimasks being busy with my car. I didn't go to them, the police told me not to do it. They put paintstripper on my car. The guy from the garage told me the next day that someone really must have hated me to do something like that.*"

>> "*Chiron put on its website how the company is working with animals. The connection with HLS has been stopped. The bombs on the headoffice in the USA made the directors think, of course.*"

>> "*The company wanted to bring the activities back to the USA and I was offered a job. But I didn't want to leave and the aggression made it much easier. I worked for 17 years for Chiron. I wanted to leave on a good way. Now I'm only relieved.*"



DIARY OF ACTION

January 1st – April 10th:

April 3rd – 3AM bullhorn wake up for Andrew Baker and Forest CEO

March 29th – Sumitomo Portland painted red

March – 11 windows smashed at tool supplier to HLS

February 19th – HLS scientist and supplier had cars damaged

February 18th – Swiss Yamanouchi office paintbombed

February 13th – Yamanouchi employee's car stripped and glued

February 12th – 2 Yamanouchi employees had cars damaged

February – 8 employees of Yamanouchi landlord had homes/cars attacked

February 2nd – 5 windows smashed at Securicor building

January 30th – Chiron exec in Netherlands has home damaged

January 25th – German Yamanouchi building painted, cars stripped

January 20th – Yamanouchi employee's car damaged in Holland

January 20th – 2 Yamanouchi landlords have car stripped

January 20th – 2 Yamanouchi employees have cars damaged

January 20th – Phenonmex has windows smashed

January 19th – Thornton Facilities has windows smashed

January 19th – State Street director has car damaged

January 19th – Yamanouchi landlord director has car and home damaged

January 19th – Fisher Scientific director has car damaged

January 18th – Sigma Alpha Chemicals has 7 vehicles damaged

January 16th – Vitech Security director has home damaged

January 8th – Asahi Glass worker has car damaged

January 8th – Yamanouchi landlord has home damaged

January 7th – State Street director has neighborhood painted

January 7th – State Street director has home damaged

January 6th – Yamanouchi director has car damaged

January 5th – Cambridge Export Documents is damaged

January 1st – Mitsui Bank in Italy has windows smashed

January 1st - Diachii sales agent has car damaged

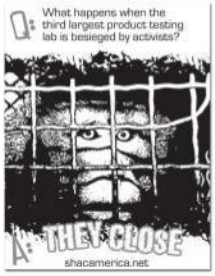
January – Russian activists destroyed HLS website, sent 10,000 emails

January – Shin Etsu exec in Netherlands has home damaged

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STRIKE BACK

Hailed as "the best SHAC video yet," Strike Back is jam-packed full of protests, rare ALF footage, and direct action. Not to be missed!

15 minutes
$7

THE TRUTH

Undercover footage from inside the HLS labs in the USA and UK from 1997

7 minutes
postage ($3)



EXHIBIT... SHAC ACTION MAILER

When you pick up the newsletter are you left wanting more? Need more addresses, phone numbers and emails of HLS' puppy killing friends? Sign up for the free SHAC action mailer, full of vital info to shut down HLS.

Closing Huntingdon is not a spectator sport - make every action count!

2 color
free

GET A FREE VIDEO

SHAC is putting together another action packed campaign video - and we need your help! Next time you go on a protest, an action, a table, anything - we want video footage of it. No matter how boring or exciting you may think it is - we want it. And if we use your footage in our next video we'll send you one for free! So send in your videos complete with your contact information (if you want...) and always remember - keep those cameras rolling!



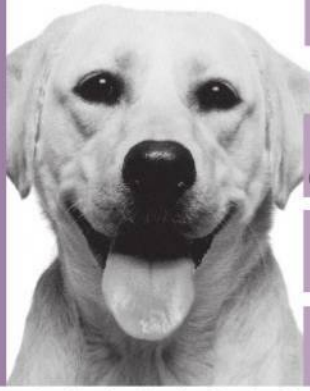
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