

Summer Learning

For the past three summers, APNM has partnered with Bernalillo County Animal Care Services to bring presentations to children attending summer camp at all seven of the Bernalillo County Community Centers. This year, the program "Animals: Our Responsibilities for Their Health and Happiness," grows into a six-week adventure of exploration into topics such as: Care and Responsibility, The Work of an Animal Welfare Officer, Loose Dog and Bite Safety, The LINK Between Bullying and Animal Abuse, Co-Existing with Urban Wildlife, and The Need for Spaying/Neutering.

Each topic will be explored through presentations from animal welfare officers, members of the APNM staff, hands-on games and activities, and follow-up discussions designed to lead the children to awareness and the ability to act on their commitment to animal welfare in the community.

APNM is proud and honored to partner with Bernalillo County Animal Care Services, the Bernalillo Community Centers, and Southwest Canine Corps of Volunteers. Together, these organizations are delivering positive messages about animals that will inspire our youth to care about animals and each other.

Sherry Mangold serves as APNM's Senior Cruelty Case Manager and Educational Outreach Director. Animal education presentations are available for adult and children's audiences by contacting Mangold at 505-797-3977 or sherry@apnm.org.



Kids Helping Chimps

Kids in Santa Fe have been outspoken for the 200 chimpanzees still waiting for permanent retirement at the Alamogordo Primate Facility. This April, Santa Fe's La Montañita Co-op generously hosted a day full of chimp activities, complete with a raffle, food, puppet making, and postcard writing to President Obama.

Youth with Jane Goodall Institute's Roots & Shoots program gathered signatures at both the Santa Fe Children's Museum and opening weekend of the DisneyNature film "Chimpanzee" to retire the chimps.

A third-grade class at Amy Biehl Community School made bookmarks and handed out postcards to help Flo, the eldest chimp in Alamogordo. "The kids were so excited about working for this organization and community activism is becoming their second nature now!" said their teacher, Brenda Dominguez.

You can help chimps today at www.RetireTheChimps.org and by contacting Laura Bonar for materials and activities for kids at 505-265-2322, ext. 28 or laura@apnm.org.