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Friends, Please Ponder This... BY COLLEEN LAYTON-ROBBINS

What inspires you, what is your life's value, what experiences have you had in your lifetime that you equaled out wisdom from? And from those experiences, whether they be bad or good, what wisdom have you received from going through them? What have you done with that? What is your value as a human being? What have you done with your lifetime that has value to others? Yes Yes besides yourself!?! Yes we all do believe health and your own personal welfare should always be a top priority so you can do well for yourself besides for others. But, please ponder on what is your measure as a human being in this life?

People often ask, if we don't get paid here at Frisky's Wildlife and Primate Sanctuary Inc. and we do not get any state, county or federal funding, what do we get out of doing this, day in and day out, week after week, month after month, and year after year since 1970?!? Well what I get is huge! And yes, I feel it's worth losing sleep over! Even though our hours are from 8 to 8, yes 7 days a week, and note, I still have to get up every 2 hours to feed mammals! Especially in the spring and summer time. I at least get to go into what we call semi hibernation in the winter time because I usually don't have any babies to feed. I can get a few extra hours of sleep at night but, my same life continues on. Seeing that they are not starving or suffering. Our friends and community at most will stand beside us if we have needs. Yes, I have put my hand out while on a bended knee and have received help. Backup our work like all our prayers you have to have faith they will be answered and we will receive directions that will equal help for us caring for those we are in charge of helping.

I've often said to get through life we all have to pay our dues, to go through some bad experiences and to learn from our mistakes. Oh yes I was raised without a lot of advantages that most take for granted. I had worked hard even as a child with rules and severe discipline. And yes I made mistakes, I seem to remember always having calloused hands and blisters on my feet from working long hard hours. Being truly very very hungry. But with hard times, I also had periods of my life with lots of laughter and love! I am still quick to forgive and try to be a blessing on every path that cross mine, oh yes yes I have people that push my buttons and animals that I try to help that are trying to hurt me because they are hurting. Those are what I call paying my dues, getting some unknown but needed experience. Even though some have left me with not just scars on my body. Some would be done with what hurt them, weren't we taught that, it is stupid to accept those who hurt you? But you put time and effort into caring, a relationship! I've always believed stick with those investments!!!

Of my time, effort, love, caring, even though it has to come with hard-earned money and outside support! It is worth something, it is a value to learn from our experiences. This has always made me want to be a better person than I was yesterday! And it brings the best out in us when you do something of value for others. I am good at being a nurse, maid and waitress to the animals in need. Knowing I can do this life, has me ponder my worth as a human being and the value of my life with rehabilitating wildlife as well. So ponder my friends.

Love and hugs to you all,
Colleen of Frisky's Wildlife

Work Work Work so much to do BY SCOTT ROBBINS

My name is Scott Robbins, I am Colleen's husband since 1991, but I have been a volunteer at Frisky's Sanctuary since 1988. I always believed in the work they do and all the caring support they put into rehabilitating animals. I helped out whenever I could but I was working a full-time job 50 to 60

hours a week. Well I thought I was retiring since I turned 68 last summer, so I thought... Wow finding out what goes on here all day long while I was out at a paying job to support us. Well it was like finding out the rest of the story, they still need alot of help, I just can't do it all. So many areas need

refurbished or rebuilt but we will never give up on our challenges. I thank you to all for your support of Frisky's Wildlife Sanctuary. Thank you your support is needed, noticed and appreciated.

Scott Robbins
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Canada Geese BY EILEEN STURGILL

My name is Eileen Sturgill, I am one of the volunteers of Frisky's and have been volunteering there several years doing several hours a week. A few years ago I took over cleaning some of the outdoor enclosures for migratory birds. This often included the Canada Geese. I have always liked them since my sister had dual US/Canada citizenship.

problems with them as long as I move slowly.

While a lot of the geese



The Canada goose is a large bird with a black neck and head, a white chin strap, and a brown body. Males and females look alike both as adults and juveniles. Although they have a reputation of being aggressive, I had not had any

here migrate, we do have many that are permanent residence in Maryland. The geese that come to Frisky's Wildlife Sanctuary mostly have been hit by cars or got caught by dogs. Canada geese mate for life and

both parents help raise their young. Because of this, we do our best to return them to the area where they were found so they can be reunited. If we cannot release them there then we take them to other safe locations to be released. Our reward is of course seeing a group of them flock together and fly off. It is so worthwhile for all our labor of love, a commitment that we never tire from.

Eileen Sturgill
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The Expense of the Sanctuary BY OMAR FAKHRI

Frisky's is a completely non-profit organization that relies solely on in-kind donations, we are NOT funded by state or federal government, nor do we have any sort of charity account. Every cent gained is put towards the animals. We pay for the costs of maintaining and rehabilitating anywhere between 3,000 to 5,000 animals a year. The costs can be dramatically different year to year depending on the number of different types of animals we get. We've been getting an increasing trend on the amount of fawns we've been getting in. This year alone we've had nearly 100 fawns due to the fact that building and expansion has driven fawns towards more rural areas like ours, each fawn costs \$77/day on average.

We have many species-specific diets that need to be fulfilled in order to help rehabilitate these animals, we cannot just feed them anything, the animals will not thrive that way and it could be putting their lives in danger. Their diets include crates of fresh fruit/vegetables (\$300/week), mealworms(\$80/week), feeder mice (\$500/3 weeks), fresh fish(\$60/week),

bird feed (\$80/week), special formula milk substitute (\$30/week), etc. Those are just some of the food costs, not taking into account many other staples we need to have at Frisky's.

All of our medical costs are out of pocket as these animals cannot be covered by any sort of pet insurance. Out of pocket costs are astronomically different than insured costs. The insulin we use is human grade, with ever increasing prices it's nearly \$300 every few weeks. Other medical costs we have to cover include cost of vet visits because many of our animals come injured to varying degrees (most we can handle, some we cannot), antibiotics, insulin for diabetic monkeys, flea/deworming medication (living in nature means it's almost certain they carry parasites) and various medical supplies.

Just like everyone else, we also have bills to pay. Our gas and electric bill is typically very high because certain animals need specific temperatures to survive, many of them are not in their natural habitat, some are too injured to migrate where they were normally go and are wintered

over at Frisky's. On average the bill is anywhere between \$1000 to \$2000.

Another hefty cost is the refurbishing, upgrading and repairing of our enclosures and fences, Frisky's is in compliance with all of the State/Federal government rules and regulations when it comes to our enclosures and fencing. These guidelines tend to change as time goes by because of laws and we are always prompt in following these guidelines to keep our State/Federal licensing intact.

While these costs can be a burden, we've been able to meet them thanks to your kindness. Please remember to keep us in your hearts, these costs are year-round and we can only match it with your assistance.

Omar Fakhri
www.friskys.org

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Check us out on Facebook

It's that time of year again: baby season! As the animals start having young it's always good to have a reminder of what to do. If you find a sick, injured, or orphaned baby animal you will want to and need to get it to a licensed wildlife rehabilitator as soon as possible. Stressing out the animal has a large impact on its ability to recover so it is important to handle the animal as little as possible. Keep it in a secure, ventilated box with paper towels in a quiet place until it can be transported. All wildlife has internal and external parasites, keep yourself safe and always use gloves while handling a wild animal.

Please DO NOT attempt to feed or water the animal. This usually causes more harm than good; many species have specific dietary needs and incorrect feeding methods can cause injury.

If you find a baby mammal the most important things to do are:

- Keep it warm
- Do not feed it
- Only handle to put in a

container.

If you find baby rabbits look for their nest, usually a shallow depression with fur and grasses. If they aren't injured or cold you can put them back in the nest or rebuild a destroyed nest within five feet of the original location and mom will find them. Cross two sticks in a X over the babies and check the next morning to see if mom has been back. If she hasn't then its time to help the babies.

Baby squirrels can also be reunited with mom if they've been knocked out of their nest. Put them in an open box as close to the nest as possible and leave them alone for a while. Mom will usually find them and take them back. If she hasn't come within an hour or two then the babies can be taken to a rehabber. If the babies are cold, injured, or dehydrated they should be rescued right away.

Fawns are left alone most of the day. Unless the fawn is injured, has flies on it, or is constantly crying the best thing to do is leave the fawn

as it is. Keep children and pets away, mom will be back later. If the fawn does need help it is extremely important to minimize stress when capturing it. Do not chase the fawn or carry it around in your arms. Put something dark over its eyes and get it into a box with as little handling as possible. Too much stress causes capture myopathy in deer, an incurable disease that leads to death.

Baby birds will also be out soon. If the bird has feather and is hopping around but not flying, then it is a fledgling and can be left alone. It is learning how to fly and the parents are still around taking care of it. If the baby bird doesn't have feathers then it needs to be kept warm while its transported. A bird that's fallen out of a nest but is uninjured can be put back into the nest.

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Cute bunnies and fluffy chicks! They are soft, tiny, adorable and completely irresistible. Sounds like every child's dream. But what is wrong with this Easter gift?

Every year during Easter, many baby rabbits and chicks are bought for kids. You can pick them up in feed stores and pet stores for less than \$10. People see them as "starter pets" like hamsters or goldfish. Unfortunately, this is far from true. Like all supposed starter pets, rabbits and chickens are complex animals that require a lot of specific care. Rabbits are the third most popular pet in the US, and one of the most abandoned.

How long does a rabbit live? Many people when asked say 2 or 3 years. Rabbits on average live to 8-10 years. They require the same

level of care as a dog. They need to be spayed or neutered, have yearly vet visits, require a specific diet, and have a large indoor enclosure. Unlike a dog or cat, rabbits are prey animals and need to be handled differently. Most of them don't like being picked up and hugged, they like having all four feet on the ground! Rabbits can make lovely companions, but you have to be committed to their fulltime care.

Chicks are the other popular Easter pet. How hard could raising some be? Well do you know your local zoning laws about keeping livestock? Chickens are considered livestock and many places do not allow them. They can be kept indoors as chicks but as they grow they will need a coop with an outdoor exercise pen which will

need to be predator proof. A good diet is needed as well. Chicks don't stay little forever, kids often lose interest when they grow up.

If you or someone you know are thinking of getting a rabbit or chickens, give it the same level of thought as you would be getting a dog. It's a big commitment to get an animal and be responsible for its care for years to come. If you decide it's right for you then consider adopting from a shelter, there are always rabbits needing homes!

Julia Dagnello
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