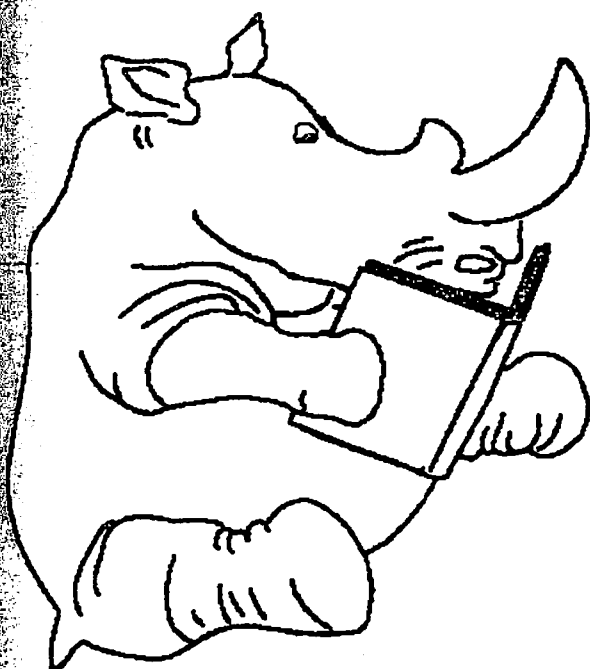


REALLY, RHINOS!

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The Hiding Game Story and pictures by Ben Schecter. Four Winds Press, 1977.

Henri hippopotamus and Pierre rhinoceros decide to play hide and seek. By the end of the day, they decide it is much more fun to play together. If you like French Provencal watercolors and don't mind the anatomically incorrect animals, this is a cute book. The price is magnifique too! The hardback book is only \$3.28 from University Book Service, PO Box 728, Dublin, OH 43017.

Red Rhino by Alan Rogers is a slight story about Red Rhino who has trouble finding his red balloon among the many other red objects he sees. Gareth Stevens, 1990. Forget price. Order from your local bookstore.

Rhino Connection Update

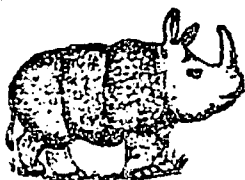
Many of you have seen and even have the stuffed rhino with the safari helmet. I just bought the female counterpart replete with pink veil. (\$28). Also, Debbie has a t-shirt I've never seen before which shows the five species of rhinos. White shirt, black ink. (\$15) Write to The Rhino Connection, 115 South Rogers, Clarksville, AR 72830.

RHINOS SOAR TO NEW HEIGHTS! Original handcrafted black rhino mobiles are available from Skyflight, Inc. PO Box 3393, Bellevue, WA 98009. The mobile is completely assembled and ready to hang. Included in the package is a lengthy description of the rhino, its feeding, habitat, description and a plea for rhino conservation. Cost @ \$5.

WIENER DUDE ALERT! WIENER DUDE ALERT!

For those of you who have access to a Wienerschnitzel hot dog restaurant, keep an eye/ear cocked for the next Wiener Dude promotion which is rumored to use the rhino again. In the past, they have given away those sports bottles, paddles, and kites. Remember.... if you get any, always get an extra for your beloved editor.

Cracker Update Remember those animal crackers I mentioned in the last issue? Thanks to Sarah Boone, of Kings Island Wild Animal Habitat in Ohio, I've got an address for those munchies. Small World Products Group, PO Box 410, St Augustine, FL 32085

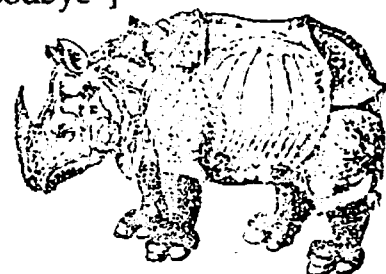


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Now for the serious stuff. You know that 84% of the world's rhinos have disappeared since 1970.. Once ranging extensively across the plains of the rivers Ganges, Indus and Brahmaputra, the greater one-horned rhino is critically endangered due to poaching and loss of habitat. But did you know that a generous donor has pledged \$250,000 to the new Bhutan Trust Fund for the Environment if the World Wildlife Fund can match it. Why give money to Bhutan?

Because it harbors healthy populations of many endangered species, including the greater one-horned rhinoceros. Unless immediate measures are taken, Bhutan's rich forests and wildlife are likely to disappear with disastrous results. Few places on earth can match the breathtaking splendor of this country, which unlike other countries in the region, is still forested (64%). Bhutan may be the "last best hope for comprehensive conservation action in the Himalayas." Send what you can to the World Wildlife Fund, 1250 24th Street,

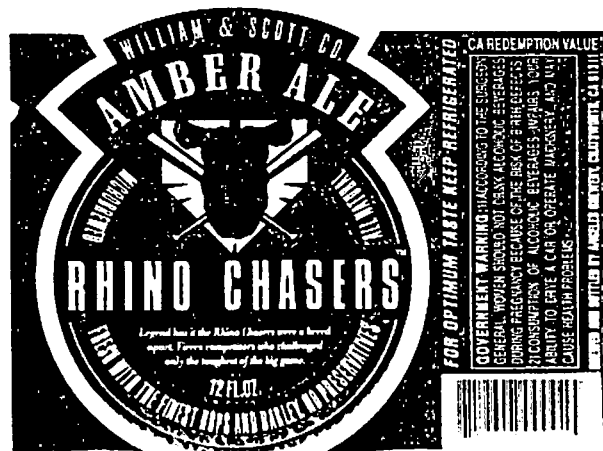
NW, Washington, DC 20037. [P.S.. For an extra \$75 (plus postage) and you can buy a beautiful poster on the greater one-horned rhino "One Horn, One World" from the WWF's recent mail order catalogue. Call toll free: 1-800-833-1600. There is also a rhino t-shirt available, "Don't Say Goodbye"]



Trip down Memorhino Lane

Remember the rhinophilight on Joanne Ryno, owner of Joanna Vineyards in California? I also mentioned a greeting card and poster called "Wineoceros." For those who prefer the more basic of libations, I suggest you try Amer Ale Rhino Chasers. "Tastes great. Less Killing" No pun on words here. Not only do you get a microbrewed fresh, no preservatives, no harmful processing product, but Rhino Chasers will donate the "best part of every dollar" it makes to the African Wildlife Foundation. (AWF) According to W. Scott Griffiths, Rhino Chaser's manufacturer, 51% of its profits will go to AWF. Griffiths says that "the name

"RHINO CHASERS comes from an old surfing term used to describe the toughest of surfers who chased down the big waves in Hawaii. Instead of trying to sell the world another macho geer full of sports images, we wanted to find a way in which to contribute something valuable to the planet, which is what enjoying the outdoors is really about."



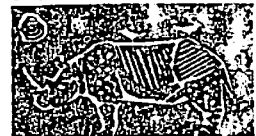
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It was truly an experience

To see more than 300 people from around the world sitting in one large room



with one common purpose: how to save the world's remaining extant rhinos. Governmental representatives, zoo biologists, field biologists, representatives of non-governmental conservation organizations, veterinarians and academic scientists and one lone crazy rhino newsletter editor sat for three days of intense, and I mean intense presentations. It almost felt like an est seminar! International media covered the event. Especially gratifying were the times when people came up to me and made positive comments about the *Really, Rhinos!*

newsletter. Word is getting out about us. Of course, the displays of rhinos for sale was a great hit for me and through some strange miracle, I managed to bring home everything I bought plus the Czech artwork.



Michael San Diego up conference. wanting to Ryder (CRES-things rolling please...) together and generous in Prints are still



Werikhe led a processional of school children from to the podium and then officially opened the Some of the children shared their reasons for save the rhino. It was quite moving. Then Oliver San Diego Zoo) organizer of the conference, got and from then on it was nonstop, "Next slide Ollie did a remarkable job of getting everything remaining sane at the same time!! He was also very letting me take the Czechoslovakian artwork to sell. available; please order one!

The basic scientific sessions included discussions of genetics, reproductive biology (a.k.a "sewer science"), veterinary medicine, and poster presentations provided new information about nutrition, disease, and other aspects of rhinoceros biology including the first report of vocal communication in both African and Asian rhinos involving subsonic sounds. Dr. Donald Prothero, paleontologist, spoke about the rhino's ancestors.

Other technical sessions focused on the status of each of the five rhino species, the development of the implementation of plans for conservation of rhinos in separate nations in which rhino populations survive and the status of the four species of rhinos currently held in zoological parks.



Esmond Bradley Martin & Chryssee Martin

Tony Nichols of the East African Wildlife Society, helped organize a lecture at Clairmont High School with Michael Werikhe. Raffle tickets were sold and Nancy Nenad won the artwork she lusted over. Here's Tony with a Mark Maglio original. Don't forget Mark's work is for sale through this newsletter. Tony and I walked with Michael at the San Diego Wild Animal Park (boy can those guys hustle!)

THE BLACK RHINOS OF PILANESBERG
by Hans B. Hansen and Hanne Lindemann
Bophuthatswana National Parks



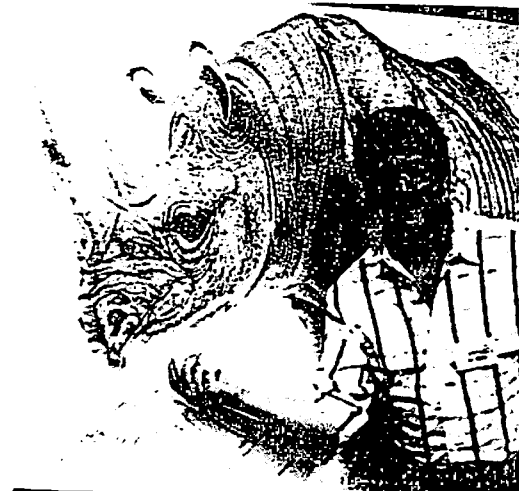
From left to right, Nancy Nenad, rhinophile from Phoenix, Petr Spala, Dvur Kralove Zoo in Czechoslovakia, and Conny Carson, rhino zookeeper at the San Diego Zoo. Conny also has an extensive rhino collection. Notice the bottle of *Rhino Chaser* in Conny's hand?



Just one of the many posterboard presentations which added to the information disseminated at the conference.



Keynote addresses included the latest information on the international commerce in illegal rhino products (Esmond Bradley Martin), the spiritual value of habitats with rhinos in an increasingly urban world (Rolf Benirschke), a strategic overview of what humans must really do to save the rhinoceros species (Mark Stanley Price) and a direct and personal plea from the Rhino Man (Michael Werikhe) who spoke at the Wild Animal Park during a lovely buffet dinner. Michael asked for international assistance in securing rhino populations for the future. More highlights the next issue.



A participant from Nepal

R H I N O P H I L I G H T S



Robert Campbell

I may have to reconsider taking a trip to Florida just to see the Jungle Drums Gallery, Serengeti Designs and Harlequin Nature Graphics. I knew about Harlequin for a while. They had a wonderful rhino t-shirts and a canvas bag in addition to items depicting other endangered animals. I was fortunate to meet Harlequin's Robert Campbell, who has created some of the most mouth drooling sculptures and paintings of rhinos that I've ever seen. Some of his works were generously donated for a drawing at the International Rhino Conference and no I didn't win anything!!!!

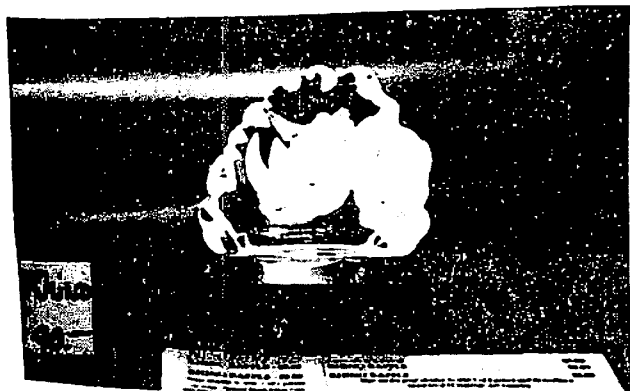
Sharing a table with Robert were folks from Jungle Drums, a natural wildlife gallery. The color brochure I picked up makes me want to book my Delta flight right now. Kathleen and Jim Mazzotta and Michael LaTona, the gallery's owners, present some of the country's finest wildlife art while raising the awareness about our natural world's precarious position. Each month a wildlife

conservation group is selected and a portion of those sales are donated to that group. Every time you buy from Jungle Drums, you could be helping rhino worldwide. P.S. Michael owns Harlequin, the nation's leading silkscreen printer of wildlife images., If you know other animal collectors, tell them about Jungle Drums. I was able to pick up a great rhino bracelet (cut-out rhinos), a rhino ring (white rhino head) and a silver/copper African scene with white rhinos in it. I also got a beautiful piece of etched glass that rivals anything Swedish. And the prices were happily within my price range, i.e. most reasonable for the quality and uniqueness. So, start saving your shekls now. Those December holidays are around the corner.

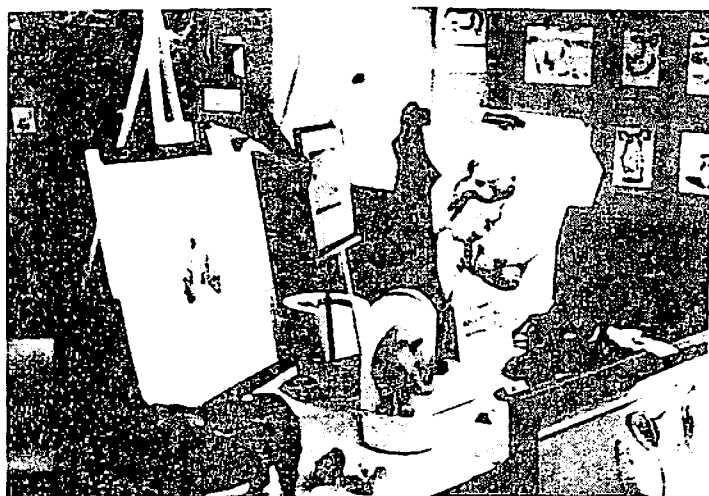
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Items for sale at the Rhino Conference
from Robert Campbell, Serengeti, Jungle Drums



(Thanks to John Dommers for this quote)

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OTHER AND TO ALL OTHER THINGS.*

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