# Don't be too helpful to animals



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Vacation time is now settling around us with the bright summer sun. For many of us vacation means time spent camping, hiking, fishing, hunting and other activities that have us outside enjoying and communing with nature. However, summer is far from being a time of vacation for mothers in the wild. It is a time of new life in the business-like scratching of little pheasants, the hectic rough-housing of fox kits, and the silent freezing of spotted fawn in the sun dappled woods.

Many and varied types of cute, cuddly babies abound in forest and field during this time of year. These little animals are important, important to their mother, to nature, and to the future of their species. Each year many thousands of baby wild animals are destroyed by uninformed children and unthinking adults who rescue what they thought were abandoned children of the wild.

Unlike human mothers, our wild sisters do not often

abandon their children. They hide them from humans and other predators. Wild animals know where their youngsters are and will return for them, if people leave them undisturbed. Many kinds of animals cannot live long in captivity, dying a slow and unecessary death. This death usually comes out of the ignorance of their captor. The cute baby animals that do manage to survive, normally grow into uncooperative. untrustworthy, nearly wild animals that are pale reflections of their free wild

Only a knowledgeable outdoorsman can determine if an animal is abandoned or in need of help. One must have an understanding of the habits and needs of wild animals to raise them successfully and humanely in captivity. Hunters, and other sportsmen who know and respect animals need to share their knowledge with others, encouraging them to help only those animals who need help, which isn't a bad principle to transfer from man's relationship with

brothers.

animals to man's relationship with man.

Help only those who need help, through an understanding that comes out of knowledge and respect. When we apply this idea to our activities, we will increase our enjoyment of the out-of doors, wild animals and life.

## Pioneers go to Atlantic City

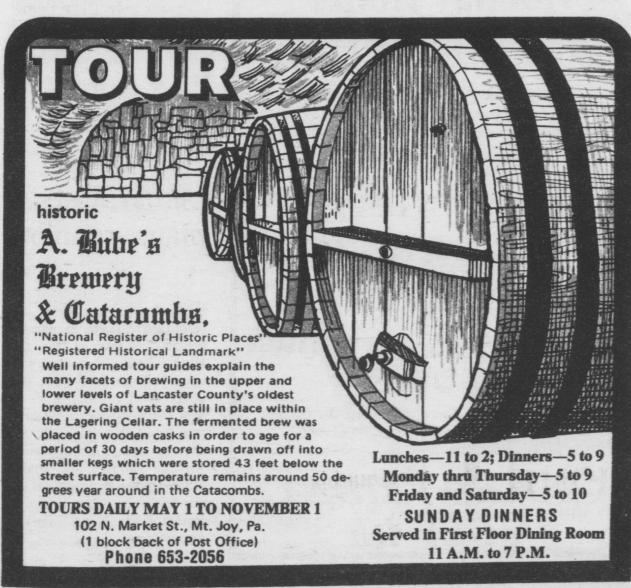
Members of the Marietta Pioneer Fire Company Auxiliary will sponsor a bus trip to Atlantic City on July 12, leaving from the Pioneer Fire House at 6 a.m.. Further information may be obtained by calling 426-1991 or 426-3839.

# On Dean's list

Franklin Groff Fellenbaum, 30 S. Market St., and Linda Carol Grissinger, 204 Park Ave., Mount Joy were named to the Dean's List for high academic achievement at Shippensburg State College for the Spring Semester, it was announced by Dr. Willard Kerr, acting vice-president for academic affairs. Of a total undergraduate enrollment of 4,206 there are 910 receiving this honor for outstanding achievement.

### DID YOU HEAR

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Campbell, former residents of Marietta, and now residing in Saint Petersburgh, Florida, will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on June 26th. Their daughters, Mrs. James Spoo of St. Petersburg, and Mrs. Paul Bless of Olney, Maryland will entertain at the Lampost in St. Petersburg, in honor of the occasion. Lots of friends and relatives will be there.





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