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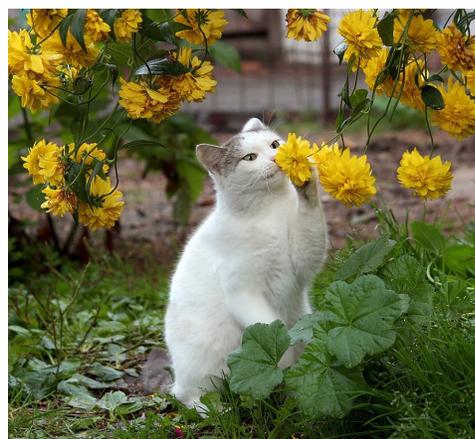


State University and at the University of Pennsylvania.

The toxicology laboratory at CAHFS is one of the busiest of its kind in the world and offers diagnostic toxicology tests from amanitin to zinc phosphide. His research interests include diagnostic veterinary toxicology, wildlife toxicology and development of biomarkers for chemical exposure.

In addition to his teaching duties at UCD, Dr. Poppenga is also active in numerous professional organizations.

Dr. Robert Poppenga is Professor of Clinical Veterinary Toxicology and Section Head, Toxicology Laboratory at the California Animal Health and Food Safety laboratory (CAHFS) at UCD School of Veterinary Medicine where he has been since 2004. Dr. Poppenga received his DVM and PhD degrees from the **University of Illinois** (Go Illini!). He is board-certified by the American Board of Veterinary Toxicology and has served that organization in a number of rolls including President. Previously, he also held faculty and diagnostic lab positions at Michigan



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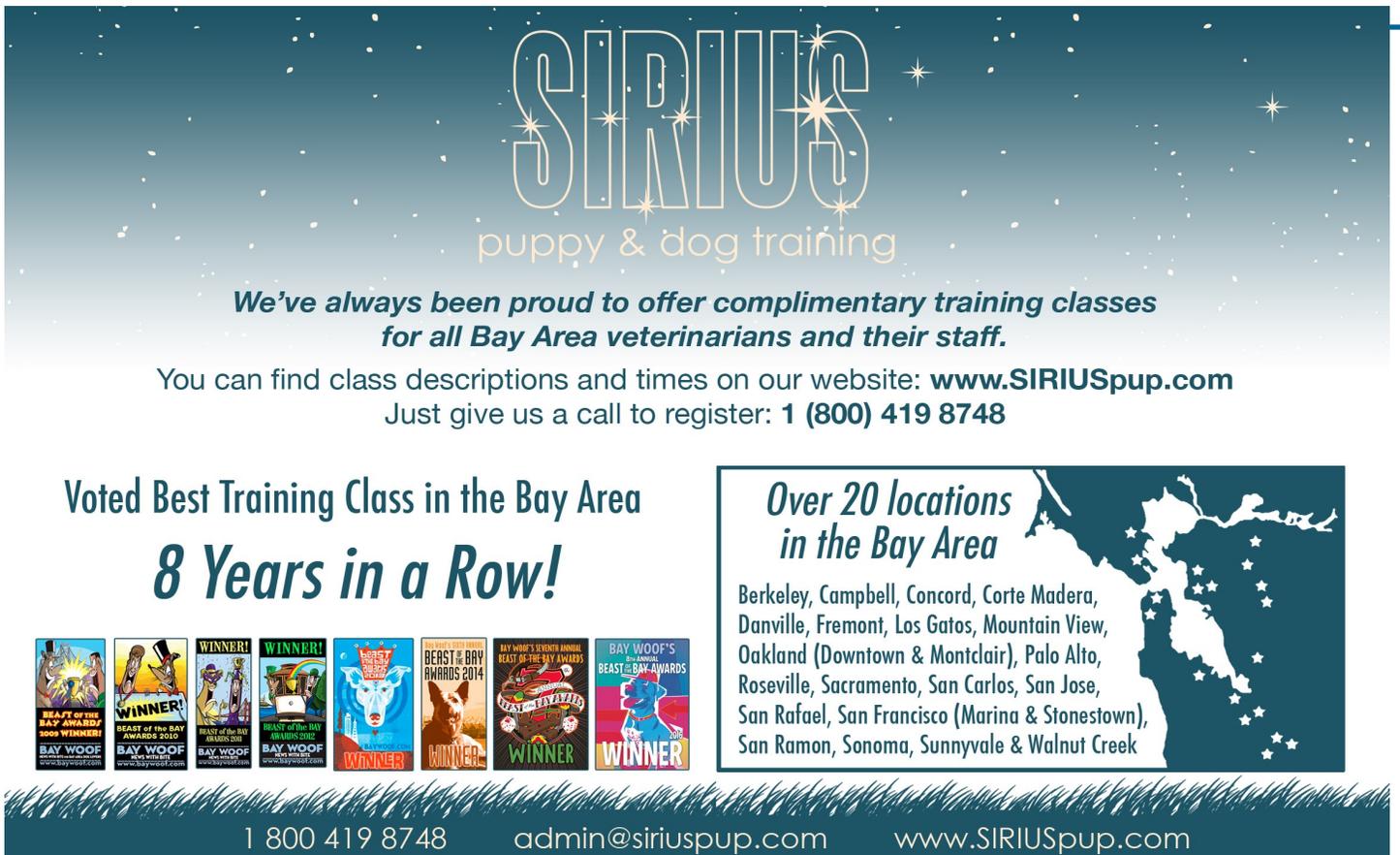
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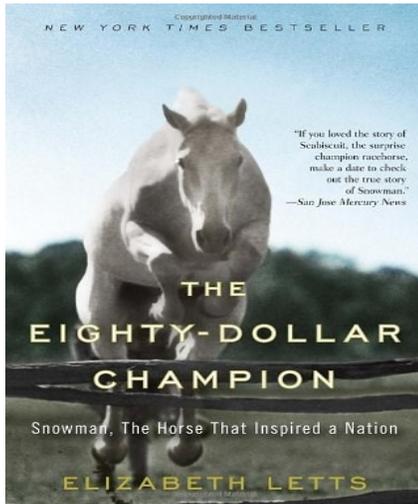
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SNOWMAN, THE HORSE THAT INSPIRED A NATION

The story of an eighty-dollar champion



Less than two years out of the Amish plow fields, a grade-horse named Snowman won the 1958 horse show jumping Triple Crown — The American Horse Shows Association “Horse of the Year”, the Professional Horseman’s Association Champion and the Champion of Madison Square Garden’s Diamond Jubilee.

Dutch immigrant Harry de Leyer first saw the horse he would name *Snowman* on a bleak winter afternoon peeking between the slats of a rickety truck bound for the slaughter house. Harry recognized a spark in the eye of the beaten-up horse and bought him off the truck for eighty dollars hoping to make him a “lesson horse” at his job teaching riding to young girls at a private school on Long Island. The horse was mellow and patient, a perfect lesson horse. He was also a willing worker, calm and he seemed to love his new family.

Eventually a neighboring family bought Snowman and took him to their nearby farm, but the next day Snowman appeared back in Harry’s yard dragging an old tire and a piece of fence. He had jumped out of a six-foot high enclosure and came home. Snowman thus showed himself to be a free-jumper who loved the sport. Harry bought him back and began training him as a serious jumper. The horse was a natural and his greatness became more apparent with every lesson. Snowman and Harry proved to be an unbeatable team competing against the world’s finest thoroughbreds ridden by the top riders of the day. Thereby hangs a heart-warming tale of rags to riches, as related in the 2011 book by Elizabeth Letts, *The Eighty Dollar Champion* which became a New York Times bestseller.

Snowman appeared on many 1960s TV game shows including “To Tell the Truth” and “Who Do You Trust” with Johnny Carson who even sat on Snowman’s back. Harry de Leyer kept Snowman until the horse died in 1974 at 26 years of age. Harry, 85, still rides and trains horses on his Virginia farm.



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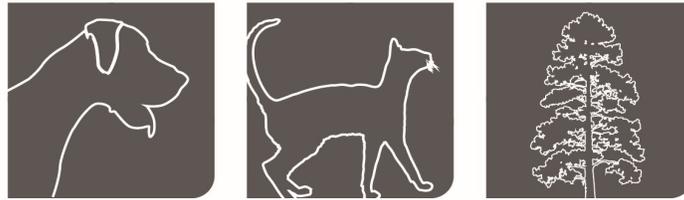
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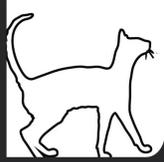
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