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Marc Bekoff is Professor Emeritus of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology at the University of Colorado, a Fellow of the Animal Behavior Society, and a former Guggenheim Fellow.

In 2000 Marc and Jane Goodall co-founded Ethologists for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (www.ethologicaethics.org) and in 2009 Marc was presented with the Saint Francis of Assisi Award by the New Zealand SPCA.

Marc has published numerous scientific and popular essays and twenty-two books including *The Ten Trusts* (with Jane Goodall), *The Emotional Lives of Animals*, *Animals Matter*, *Animals at Play: Rules of the Game* (a kid's book), *Wild Justice: The Moral Lives of Animals* (with Jessica Pierce), *The Animal Manifesto: Six Reasons for Expanding Our Compassion Footprint*, and the *Encyclopedia of Animal Behavior*, the *Encyclopaedia of Human-Animal Relationships*, and the *Encyclopedia of Animal Rights and Animal Welfare*.

He is the only American to win his age-class at the Tour du Var bicycle race (also called the Master's Tour de France).

It is with great pleasure that I write to you with a link to a new online book, *Kids & Animals: Drawings From the Hands and Hearts of Children & Youth*.

<http://www.ucdenver.edu/academics/colleges/ArchitecturePlanning/discover/centers/CYE/Publications/Pages/Books.aspx>



DIANE BROWN
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Diane Brown teaches fundraising and public relations courses at BUCS. She has a Master's in Public Administration with a Concentration in Non-Profit Management from Sonoma State University and serves on the graduate faculty at the University of San Francisco and Sonoma State University as well.

She has been a consultant with The Non-Profit Assistance Group since 1985 and helped more than 500 non-profit organizations, public agencies and foundations across the US. She has served as a volunteer, consultant and board member to assistance dog programs and been a workshop presenter at Assistance Dogs International conferences.

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SUSAN CAPUTO, DVM

Dr. Susan Caputo graduated as valedictorian from Cornell University with a Bachelor degree in Animal Science in 1981. She received her veterinary degree from the University of Florida in 1986 and then completed an internship in small animal medicine and surgery at Santa Cruz Veterinary Specialty Hospital.

Her special interests are in internal medicine, especially endocrinology, advanced dentistry, ultrasound, and nutrition. Dr. Caputo also has a mobile veterinary ultrasound business, performing ultrasound exams on pets in veterinary hospitals throughout Sonoma and Marin Counties. She was responsible for the first introduction of ultrasound into Sonoma County in 1989.

Dr. Caputo teaches Canine Nutrition here at Bergin University and also is an adjunct professor at the Santa Rosa Junior College, helping students to learn the essentials of veterinary nursing.



STANLEY COREN, PHD, FRSC

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Stanley Coren is Professor Emeritus in the Department of Psychology at the University of British Columbia. He earned his undergraduate degree from the University of Pennsylvania and doctoral degree in Psychology from Stanford University.

Coren is best known to the public for his popular books on dogs and on general psychological issues, however within the scientific world he is also a highly respected scientist having done research in a wide range of psychological areas including perception, cognition, neuropsychology, sleep, and behavior genetics. He has published over 400 scientific reports in professional journals as well as 19 books for students and professionals.

He has received many honors and awards for his scientific work, has been named as a *Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada* and was also ranked as one of the 2000 outstanding scientists of the Twentieth. Coren's books on dogs including *"The Intelligence of Dogs," "How to Speak Dog," "The Pawprints of History," "How Dogs Think," "The Modern Dog,"* and *"Born to Bark,"* have all reached bestseller status. His book for children, *"Why Do Dogs Have Wet Noses?"* received the *Animal Behavior Society's* award for the best "Children's book of the Year."

He also received the Writer of the Year award, from the *International Positive Dog Training Association*, for his most recent works.

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MARK DERR

Mark Derr is an independent scholar and journalist broadly concerned with the relationship of humans to the natural and built worlds. His books include:

How the Wolf Became the Dog: An Epic Tale (2011);

A Dog's History of America: How Our Best Friend Explored

Conquered and Settled a Continent (2004);

Dog's Best Friend: Annals of the Dog-Human Relationship(1997);

The Frontiersman: The Real Life and the Many Legends of Davy Crockett (1993);

and *Some Kind of Paradise: A Chronicle of Man and the Land in Florida* (1989).

His March 1990 cover story in *The Atlantic Monthly*, "The Politics of Dogs," chronicled the over-breeding of dogs for show and for commerce and set off a national debate.

In addition to *The Atlantic Monthly*, his articles have appeared in *Audubon*, *The Bark*, *Natural History*, *Scientific American*, *Smithsonian*, *Sierra*, and *The New York Times*. He was curator for *The New York Times* of its now defunct "Times Topics Blog: Dogs."



DENI ELLIOTT, Ed.D.

Deni Elliott holds the Poynter Jamison Chair in Media Ethics and Press Policy at the University of South Florida. She teaches the Masters' level Dog Law and Ethics at Bergin University. Dr. Elliott has published work across the fields of practical ethics, including 7 books, and more than 100 articles and book chapters for the scholarly and trade press.

As someone who partners with a guide dog, Dr. Elliott is particularly interested in ethical obligations in dog-human relationships. She is one of the few philosophers to claim that dog have moral agency and that people do and should hold them accountable for their actions. If not, what does 'Bad Dog!' mean?



MARCIA ROGERS, RN

Marcia Rogers, RN, BSN, MA, received her BSN at the University of Arizona and her MA at New York University. During her nursing career she has held a variety of positions in acute care, rehabilitation and in community health agencies. She is the author of 4 textbooks related to rehabilitation, health care, and education. In addition, she has lectured extensively, written handbooks and articles, and developed an educational video.

She has been an instructor and guest lecturer in a variety of educational and community based organizations. She currently works as a rehabilitation-nursing consultant.

In addition she has served on the faculty of Bergin University of Canine Studies since 2000.

ELLEN SHAY

Ellen Shay teaches the Analysis and Design of Human-Canine Training Programs course at BUCS. She received her BA in Computer Science from the University of Florida and her MS in Media Education and Instructional Design from Florida State University. She is currently working on her dissertation for a PhD in Training and Performance Improvement from Capella University.

Ellen specializes in the analysis, design, development, implementation, and evaluation of training and other performance improvement systems, using a variety of strategies and delivery methods. She has over 30 years of experience in diverse subject areas, including intelligence, law enforcement, military aviation, healthcare, customer service, disabilities, volunteering, and animal behavior.

Her involvement with BUCS started while she was a Delta Society employee, as a result of her work on projects for Delta Society's animal-assisted activity and therapy programs and the Service Dog Education System. She is currently working on the development and implementation of competency-based human resources for the federal agency for which she works.



DAVID SORTINO, Ph.D.

Dr. David Sortino holds learning handicapped and multiple subject teaching credentials as well as a Masters Degree in child development from Harvard University and a doctorate in clinical psychology from Saybrook University. He has 40 years of experience as a teacher, director, consultant and psychologist for public and private schools as well experience as a trainer for teachers and counsellors at the college and university level. He has served as a consultant to state and county correctional programs for at-risk youth and works directly with inmates and their families.

In his private practice, he consults and collaborates with parents, teachers and psychologists to provide support for children and adolescents in developing learning potential and intelligence. He has found that exploring learning styles, multiple intelligence and vocational intelligence as well as other coaching, helps all children to create success in learning experiences. Presently, he is the director of Educational Strategies and the Center for Moral Education.

His resume also chronicles his three years as a director of a residential treatment program for at-risk inner city adolescent girls. Moreover, Dr. Sortino contributes to a bi-monthly column for parents and teachers to several North Bay newspapers. His educational advice column opens his local community and educational professionals to innovative choices of response to the learning experiences of students.

He resides in Graton, CA with his wife, Jennifer, and his two daughters, Abby and Shai.