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November 20, 1970

Mr. Robert M. Artz
Executive Secretary
National Recreation & Park Assn.
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Dear Bob:

Thanks for your kind words on the Newsletter. However, I cannot take credit for this publication. I am sure you will recall Elaine Bressie, whom you met in Oklahoma City or perchance in Buffalo. She accompanied me from Oklahoma City to the Twin Cities and is handling our education-information program. I thoroughly agree with you that she is doing a top-notch job on the Newsletter.

Again, many thanks for your kind words.

Sincerely yours,

P. W. Ogilvie, Ph.D.
Director

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Via Air Mail



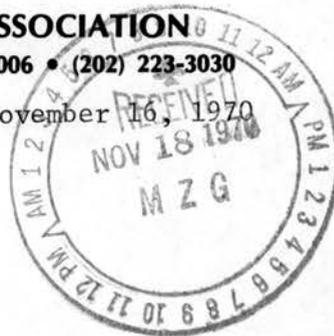
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Dear Phil:

I just had an opportunity to read your very attractive and newsy "MZG Newsletter." It is certainly very well done, Phil. I am glad things are going well for you after that "ridiculous" Oklahoma City situation. My, what an attractive family you have, too.

We are doing everything possible to straighten out the AAZPA-NRPA problems, and believe me, it has taken a good deal of time, though I am enjoying working more closely now with you all. Just hope we can be successful!

Please let me know whenever I can be of assistance, Phil, and again, my compliments on an excellent newsletter.

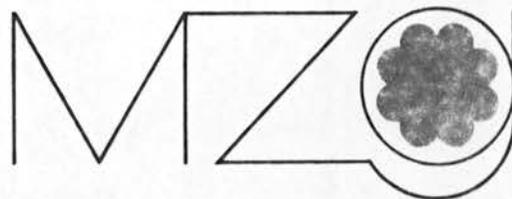
Best personal regards

Sincerely,


Robert M. Artz
Executive Secretary

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MINNESOTA ZOOLOGICAL GARDEN



July 29, 1970

Dr. Diana R. Dunn
Director of Research
National Recreation & Parks Assn.
1700 Pennsylvania Avenue, Northwest
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Dear Dr. Dunn:

I certainly wish to thank you for your cooperation in our recent request for information. It was most helpful, and I have sent under separate cover a copy of the resulting report to the Minnesota State Legislative Building Commission. I think you may find some sections of this report most interesting and possibly of help to some other organizations.

I was appalled to find in checking our mailing list that no one at N.R.P.A. Headquarters was receiving our Newsletter. I have tried to remedy this by placing you, the Librarian, Dr. Prezioso, Mr. Artz, and Mr. Bohnet on the list. I have also asked that all the past issues be sent to you.

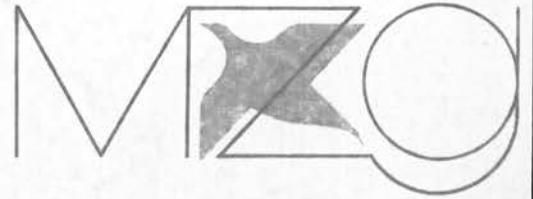
Again, my sincerest thanks for your cooperation on this project.

Sincerely yours,

P. W. Ogilvie, Ph.D.
Director

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Via Air Mail
cc: S. Prezioso
D. Bohnet
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MINNESOTA ZOOLOGICAL GARDEN



May 20, 1970

Dr. Gunter Voss, Director
Assiniboine Park Zoo
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Toronto 210, Ontario
CANADA

Dear Gunter:

I am sorry to see that you and Anita will not be in Winnipeg on the last weekend in May as I had hoped to visit with you at that time. However, perchance I can get up before you leave in June.

With regard to the current problems in the NRPA, as you may know, President Sal has appointed me to the National Task Force on Accreditation of College Courses. I attended a meeting in Milwaukee of a regional forum on this subject and on the subject of registration. It impressed me once again the importance for those of us in the zoo profession to either get in or get out of the NRPA.

These two task forces will in the near future be setting up guidelines that may, in fact, become law in certain states so that individuals will of necessity become certified in the field of registration. They are also talking about the other "specialties" of recreation, such as zoo directing. Now, I am the only person from the zoo field on the accreditation task force, and there is no one from the zoo field on the registration task force. I would strongly recommend that we must take stands on these very important issues as a profession and that our best method would be to have our own professional organization so that decisions cannot be made for us and yet appear to represent us. I think this only once again stresses the importance of the

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action that we tried to take in Seattle.

I shall attempt to undertake to bring model articles of incorporation to the Buffalo meeting. I would suggest that each of us attempt to do the same thing so that perchance we can put these things together and come up with an agreeable set of articles of incorporation of a zoo federation. I see no reason for us to try to take the name AAZPA. I think this would only lead to an open fight that could be of no profit to either us or to the recreation people. I think instead we should form an independent organization and enough of us stay in the AAZPA until it ceases to exist to make sure that they do not use it as a tool to force us into the mold of recreation workers.

I, personally, feel that this is one of the most vital issues today facing our profession, and one that we must take action on immediately.

Please give my very best wishes to your lovely wife, Anita. Looking forward to seeing you in Buffalo, if not before, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

P. W. Ogilvie, Ph.D.
Director

PWO:sr

Via Air Mail

May 20, 1970

Mr. Ira J. Hutchison, Jr.
Assistant to the President
National Recreation & Park Association
1700 Pennsylvania Avenue, Northwest
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Dear Mr. Hutchison:

I was delighted to receive your letter of May 12 saying that I had been recommended to the White House Conference on Children and Youth for one of their regional forums.

I do understand that there will be few selected from this recommended list but do appreciate the confidence expressed in me by this action.

Sincerely yours,

P. W. Ogilvie, Ph.D.
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May 12, 1970

Mr. Philip W. Ogilvie, Director
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Dear Mr. Ogilvie:

The Chairman of the White House Conference on Children and Youth recently asked the National Recreation and Park Association to recommend a number of individuals to take a leadership role in their upcoming regional forums and the National Conference on Children. You might be interested in knowing that your name was submitted for consideration as a participating member of the regional forums that will be exploring the relationship between the child, his community, and his environment.

I believe that the enclosed copy of a letter from Stephen Hess, National Chairman of the Conference, gives a few more details regarding the forums.

Cordially,

Ira J. Hutchison, Jr.
Assistant to the President

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Enclosure



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 13, 1970

MEMORANDUM TO VOLUNTARY AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

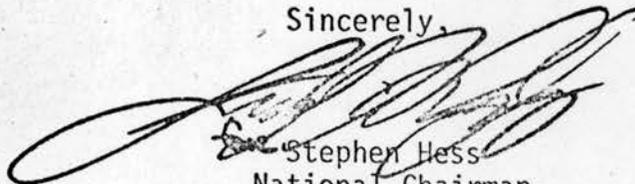
I am pleased to enclose a copy of a speech which I gave to the National Council of State Committees on Children and Youth on April 12th, outlining the theme and forum subjects for the Children's Conference; in addition is a copy of the Conference design. Over 1100 ideas and suggestions received from national and local organizations, state committees for children and youth and individuals have been reviewed in order to create a Conference that will both be relevant and productive.

One clear mandate which came from many sources, including national organizations, was that a multi-disciplinary approach must be adopted by the forums. What we have been told repeatedly is: "We don't want the White House Conference to be educators talking to educators about education and doctors talking to doctors about health." The composition of the forums therefore will reflect this advice. Another recommendation was that the special problems of minority groups be incorporated into the deliberations of all forums, rather than dealt with in isolation.

If your organization has not already suggested persons to serve on the multi-disciplinary forums, or should you have additional suggestions to make, please forward your recommendations to us no later than May 1st. The only information needed, in addition to the individual's name and address, is the experience and expertise which you feel merits his consideration. We are interested in laymen and young people, as well as professionals, in all areas outlined in the attached speech. I would like to point out, however, that only a few of the thousands of names that will be received can be used since the forums will be very small.

We are looking forward to hearing from you. Again, my thanks for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



Stephen Hess
National Chairman
White House Conference
on Children and Youth

Enclosures

May 4, 1970

Mr. Sal J. Prezioso, President
National Recreation and Park Assn.
1700 Pennsylvania Avenue, Northwest
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Sal:

Thank you for your letter of April 20. Of course, I am delighted to serve in any way desired in our professional organization.

Let me express once again my personal, deep concern for the general attitude of the zoo professionals towards the N.R.P.A. I recognize such expression is not necessarily without suggestions of ways to correct the problem, but from the scuttlebutt that is now circulated of the Washington board meeting, it would be my impression that Mr. Bohnet did nothing to alleviate the concern of the board members.

I also recognize that the greatest problem is convincing our people to make use of the available resources of the N.R.P.A. It is a serious problem, and while I have no solution, I can only reiterate my willingness to serve in any way possible to try and bridge the gap.

Sincerely yours,

P. W. Ogilvie, Ph.D.
Director

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April 20, 1970

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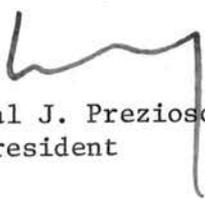
Dear Phil:

It was good to receive the copy letter which you sent to Carl Fuerst indicating that you would serve as Summarizer for the forum on Accreditation. Your cooperative spirit, indeed, is a delight and I wish to express my personal thanks for your continued interest.

Belatedly I also write to express congratulations on your new assignment with the Minnesota State Zoological Board. Hopefully this new assignment is a meaningful one and will run to the personal satisfactions you are seeking. If at any time I can be of assistance, do not hesitate to write to me.

Kind regards.

Sincerely,


Sal J. Prezioso
President

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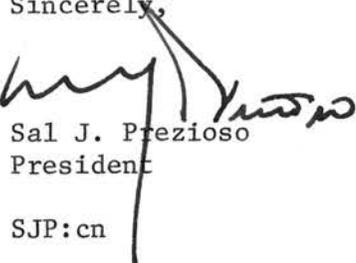
Dear Dr. Ogilvie:

The Oklahoma City conference was indeed a huge success and due in no small way to the fine leadership which you provided. My trip was a most enjoyable one. I wish to express thanks and appreciation to you for your extended efforts of time and energy.

At such time as you will be ready to accomplish your relocation, we will be pleased to hear from you. Our very best to you in your future endeavors.

Kind and warm regards.

Sincerely,


Sal J. Prezioso
President

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Philip W. Ogilvie, Director
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October 7, 1969

Dr. Sal J. Prezioso, President
National Recreation and Park Association
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Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Dr. Prezioso:

I wish to acknowledge your very kind letter of September 29. We certainly enjoyed your visit and found your keynote address one of the high points of the conference.

Under separate cover, I am sending various documents including a curriculum vitae, a copy of the Oklahoma City Zoo Master Plan, a personal assessment of my effectiveness at the Oklahoma City Zoo and various publications.

I certainly appreciate your efforts in my behalf and will look forward to hearing any suggestions that you may have with regard to my relocation.

Sincerely,

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Philip W. Ogilvie, Ph. D.

cc: Mr. Bob Artz