



# KMAD News: Special Edition

November 2008  
Manatee Awareness Month

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## History of Manatee Awareness Month

Manatee Awareness Month comes every November; it was first created by Jeb Bush, former Governor of Florida, in 2003 to bring awareness to the plight of the manatees.



## Paris' Message

Thanksgiving is right around the corner. Don't over stuff your pet.

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And the winner of our latest contest is.....**Adelaide from NH**. Thanks for sending in your drawing of your favorite sea creature. She will receive a copy of Disney's The Little Mermaid Ariel's Beginning. Here is her winning entry:



## Member Spotlight!

A long time member, Eli has raised lots of money for homeless pets. She makes homemade dog biscuits and sells them at her local farmers market. Several years ago Eli was recognized as Radio Disney's Kid of the Month for her efforts. Eli has helped countless dogs through her dog biscuit sales and now has expanded her efforts to include cat treats. Eli has spent this past summer selling dog biscuits. Over a month and a half she raised over \$500 dollars. Way to go Eli! Now that is making a difference!

## Just a Thought

"I think a human animal is far more wild and unpredictable and dangerous and destructive than any other animal."

- Jeff Corwin

## Item Spotlight:

### Pasta Manatee



You can find this item on the KMAD store ([www.kmad.org](http://www.kmad.org)). 100% of the proceeds will benefit injured and endangered manatees. Also, in honor of the manatee we will have FREE shipping on our site for the month of November. Don't delay, order today!

Write a poem about your favorite endangered animal. Please send us your poem by November 30<sup>th</sup> and you could see it in the next newsletter.

Getting ready for the holidays? Here is an earth friendly tip to help you this holiday season.

### Alternative Gift Wrapping

During the holiday season millions of presents are wrapped with special holiday wrapping paper, much of which is not recycled. So to make your holidays green why not use old paper grocery bags to wrap gifts. Then you can decorate it any way you want or you can just tie a ribbon around it. Either way it is a great way to recycle and reuse paper bags.



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Mark your calendars; November 15<sup>th</sup> is Steve Irwin Day. In honor of him wear khaki on this day.



### **Pumpkin Muffin Recipe**

Submitted by Stevi

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| 2/3 Cup Sugar   | 2/3 cup flour         |
| 3 Tsp. Oil      | 1/2 tsp baking soda   |
| 1 egg           | 1/8 tsp baking powder |
| 1/2 cup pumpkin | 1/4 tsp salt          |
| 1/4 tsp vanilla | 1/4 tsp cinnamon      |
| 3 tbsp water    | 1/4 tsp nutmeg        |

1. Preheat oven the 375 degrees
2. In large bowl, beat together sugar, oil, eggs. Stir in pumpkin
3. Sift together flour, baking soda, baking powder, salt and spices. Add to pumpkin mixture, stir well
4. Fill muffin cups 2/3rds full
5. Bake 15 to 20 minutes. Remove and cool on rack.

### **Shop Online?**

Along with GoodSearch's GoodShop (www.goodsearch.com), now you can shop through Yellow Brick Mall and Kids Making A Difference will earn a percentage of your purchase.



[www.yellowbrickmall.com/kmad.php](http://www.yellowbrickmall.com/kmad.php)

\*This newsletter is not possible without **YOU!** Please send us original poems, drawings, recipes, or articles and you could see it in the next newsletter.\*

### Did you know?

- The manatees' closest relative is the elephant.
- It is believed that manatees can live to be 60 years old.



### **Mission of the Month**

Your mission, if you choose to accept it, is to turn off lights, televisions, etc when you leave a room so that you're not wasting electricity and in the long run helping to save our planet.

### **Presidents Pick of the Month**

**I'm a Manatee** by John Lithgow



This is a great book about children's book about manatees. I give it two paws up.

**President's Note:**

**Welcome New Members:**

**Remember:** If you would like to submit poems, pictures, articles, or an idea to our newsletter, write or email us at:

KMAD  
1527 W State Hwy 114  
Suite 500 #106  
Grapevine, TX 76051  
Or  
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◇ Don't forget to visit our website! We have new blog which I try to update weekly, so check back regularly.

[www.kmad.org](http://www.kmad.org)

**Have friends interested in joining Kids Making A Difference?**

\*Share your newsletter with them! Then have them visit our website, fill out an application, and send it in.

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**Kids Making A Difference**  
Membership Application

***Make a Difference become a Member Today!***

Join in the fun! As a member you'll receive our newsletter and learn how you can make a Difference, enter contests and so much more.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send your registration to us at the address below:

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