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Of course, they will be needing the Extra Large

SEATTLE -- According to the *Weekly World News*, a group named the Committee Advocating Safe Sex for Endangered Species has petitioned the federal government to buy thousands of condoms and put them in a remote region of the Pacific Northwest, where Sasquatch (Bigfoot) is often reportedly sighted.

The committee also wants the government to supply instructions to show the big galoot how to use the condoms correctly. "We simply must save them from illnesses that could conceivably wipe out their entire population," said Ruth Galpert, spokesperson for the group. (Could this be a job for VT CARES and MHP?) (Update)

Astraea Lesbian Writers Fund accepting submissions for 1995 awards

NEW YORK -- The Astraea National Lesbian Action Foundation has announced

the submission deadline for its 1995 Lesbian Writers Fund. Now in its fifth year, the Lesbian Writers Fund will be making five awards of \$11,000 each to emerging lesbian writers of fiction and poetry. Three fiction and two poetry prizes will be awarded in 1995.

"Astraea stands alone in committing substantial grant monies to support lesbian writers," according to Astraea program director, Ivy Young. "The Writers Fund has made it possible for past awardees to have that space where creation is possible. And we are all made better by their efforts," Young said.

The deadline for applications is Wednesday, March 8, 1995. Interested writers should write or call the Astraea Foundation for guidelines and an application form at: The Astraea National Lesbian Action Foundation; Attn: Lesbian Writers Fund; 666 Broadway; Suite 520; New York, NY 10012; or call (212)529-8021.

Christian right uses prayer chain as a weapon

WASHINGTON, DC -- The Capitol Hill Prayer Alert, a Washington, DC based re-

ligious right organization, is urging its members to petition God to bring evil upon a published list of 25 Democrats. The so-called "Philistine List" includes two governors, seven senators and 16 members of the House.

According to Harry Valentine, one of the group's founders, the list comprises "particularly objectionable (politicians), who have demonstrated themselves to be enemies of Christianity and Biblical morality."

"Don't hesitate to pray imprecatory Psalms over them," wrote Valentine in the group's newsletter. "Imprecatory" means to "call down evil upon." Imprecatory Psalms include: "Let his days be few; and let another take his office. Let his children be fatherless, and his wife a widow" (Psalm 109:8,9). "Let death seize upon them, and let them go down quick into hell: for wickedness is in their dwellings, and among them" (Psalm 55:15). "The righteous shall rejoice when he seeth the vengeance: he shall wash his feet in the blood of the wicked" (Psalm 58:10). (Update) ▼

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