



# We Tackle Tough Subjects with Gentle Messengers

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## Programs to Make a Difference PREVENT THE VIOLENCE



The Prevent the Violence Series is not a quick fix to relationship problems in schools and families. Critters & Company's live animals and story telling works as a foundation in collaboration with your community, business, school, and/or families.

### Part One First Year Friends and Choices\*

The Friends and Choices program uses animals and storytelling to stimulate awareness of:

- personal space,
- dangerous attitudes and
- quality friendships.



### Part Two Second Year Teasing: Harassment in Disguise

In your school or workplace the awareness of; whose interpretation counts, the growth of empathy and the skills to manage inappropriate teasing and harassment is demonstrated through stories and live animals of Critters & Company,

### Part Three Third Year Attitudes That Make A Difference

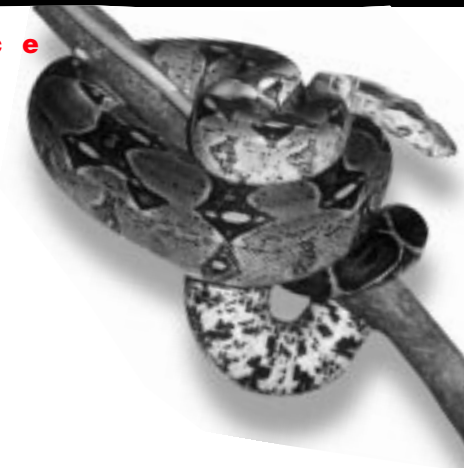
Using live animals and storytelling, Critters & Company challenges your audience to incorporate attitudes of:

- flexibility,
  - respect,
  - curiosity and
  - persistence
- into their lives.



*\*Relationships & Choices for family, staff and community presentations*

*We work with you to provide a future for safe, healthy families and schools.*



### Part Four Fourth Year Diversity: The Spice of Variety

Critters & Company brings awareness to the beauty of diversity and how our differences add a depth of seasoning to our lives.

## Corporate, staff development and teacher inservice opportunities.

### Building Sensitivity.

Critters & Company combines main presenter Greg Olson's experiences of working with teenagers and families with stories and live animals to inspire each of us to make a difference. This presentation explores expectations in the family and



workplace, preconceived concepts and how to capture incidental education opportunities.



**Wildlife Shows With a Purpose.**

### Attitudes and Influence.

Critters & Company advocates the development of three key attitudes and skills to empower healthy changes. This presentation will explore valuable skills, procedures and tough issues that participants are likely to encounter. This presentation is a must for professionals dealing with at-risk populations.



### When Bad Things Happen Keep It Simple.

Each school, business and family can make a difference by providing a safe place to grow and be productive, This presentation explores perceptions in relationships, protocols and how to recognize the fundamental motivations before they become destructive.

### Team Building.

Critters & Company's Team Building presentation develops the fundamental skills that teams use to build their success on. The presentation is designed to minimize the hindrances to quality team work and to promote efficiency.

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## Empowering individuals to make a difference

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"Excellent! I was prepared to study for a test during this segment, but closed my book immediately and never reopened it."

College Student -  
"THE RIGHT CHOICE - Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Conf."

"Thank you for your wonderful presentation at our school. I enjoyed the animals very much. It was the best program I have ever seen (and I'm not saying this just to be nice)."

Emily - 5th grade

"...I appreciated how you used animals and people to compliment how we teach the character values of respect and courtesy to our students. Your message was gentle yet effective."

Karla Haben - Teacher

**Interactive Presentations** Using live animals and story telling as medium. Participants will view and hear concepts related to the animals that applies to their life experience. In workshops presentations they will participate in complimentary skill developing exercises. Using animals personified, Critters & Company advocates that each individual has potential to building a better world.

**Self Motivation** Each workshop section uses a critter to touch the thoughts and motivate participant's passion for success. Statistics have shown that the use of a live object, adjacent to quality instruction, increases memory retention. Participants retain and recall appropriate application longer when stimulated by visual and emotional mediums (Kobayahi, 1985; Hart & O'Shanick, 1993; Olson, Logan and Lindsay, 1988; and Mayer and Anderson, 1992).

**Audience Interaction** Activities stimulate participant's goal development that leads to personal success.

- **Memory Retention** - Critters & Company's use of live animals, stimulate the memory to retain information longer.
- **Recall** - This unique medium of using live animals and story telling improves the foundational recall of presentation concepts.
- **Barrier Reduction** - The use of live animals and story telling is an effective tool that gains and maintains the attention of the participants.



**Besides, its fun .**

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# Reaching The Future.

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*Meet our master storyteller  
Greg Olson*



**Making a difference in staff, parent and other adult training.**



**Making a difference in student education.**



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