



The Purple Turtle



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Pedro was born during the mid summer feast by the Susquehanna River.

Back East in a place called Pennsylvania also called the Keystone State. Long ago, in this place, important agreements were made after many a famous debate.

One was the Constitution of the United States, the other was the Bill of Rights. These documents, once truly understood, one would find the CITY OF LIGHTS!

So you see, young Pedro was born into what was known as the Rainbow Clan. These are all of the creator's children and animals destined for the promised land.



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Well, Pedro was different right from the start because besides being purple, he had a big heart

And very good ears. He could hear whispers thru the grasses and gentle songs from the trees.

As the winds blew thru the trees his dreams took him further than anyone sees.

He loved to walk in the forest and swim in the river, I'll tell you something very true. Something he knew and now so do you!

That mother earth be a loving life giver and he loved brother sun so, too! Sister moon for a night lite of love be a magical tune. Pedro was happy and he had some good friends. Life goes on forever and the adventure never ends.

He loved to soak in sunshine upon some river logs. At night he listened to concerts by crickets and acapella frogs.

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One fine day Pedro was walking along the Susquehanna River Whistling a song when he came upon a friend, her name was Winona Weasel. She was happy and cheerful, painting on her easel.

> Look Pedro, please, please, come and see. I'm painting Oliver Owl, right here in that tree.

Well! Oliver Owl didn't really give a hoot, he didn't volunteer. Until that moment he didn't even know in this picture he would appear.

Now fully awakened he said to Pedro and Winona, "Be absolutely clear My experience and knowledge applies trust that I be more than wise. In fact I'm quite the seer.

You, young Pedro, so to begin a true mission You will be helped and protected by the cosmic physician

Who already has scheduled and plotted your course Now just follow your heart so I turn to the source."



Young Pedro looked up at Oliver and said, "Do you mean I'm going to travel?" "Yes", said Oliver the Owl, "and a mystery will unravel.

> You are going to free true hearts from pains and the children and animals from unseen chains For it's long been said by the wisest of sages and truly they've said this throughout the ages

That children and animals should never be found in cages For almighty be as all mighty see the true heart of the great spirit rages.

For of all the evil things men do by far the worst that they will do to lock up anybody's freedom this way Is the saddest meanest thing today."

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Pedro wondered why anybody would put animals in cages and who in this world were the wisdom filled sages?

Pedro could not imagine being locked up. Oh my! Oh my! He started thinking of others locked up and it made him cry.

Well the greatest of sages ate vegetables and fruits And the promised land be full of gardens, free of disputes But there's always been bad guys working in cahoots Keeping a lock on the door and maintaining war and soldiers in combat boots.

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Well! Pedro had much to ponder as he lay down to sleep. That night dreams and visions visited from the deep,

From the very depths of the Universe Giving Pedro keys and asking him please, to go forever end mammon's curse

> For mammon is the one known as greed's master Causing so much trouble and many a disaster.

Be sure that love be a much greater force Filled with rhymes galloping in on a celestial horse.

Watching Pedro sleep was the great white owl, Queen Maxine She must be commended, so powerfully splendid and wisdom most serene.

Queen Maxine called to all of Pedro's friends. "I warn you. By the time Pedro awakens in the morning he will feel as if he had been reborn for by sunrise he will be in California."

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Well Queen Maxine picked up Pedro and safely flew west all night Flying over prairies and stormy twisters and high over dairies to meet the sisters.



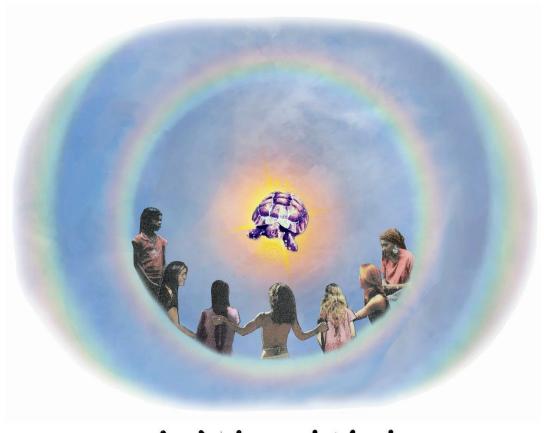
At sunrise Pedro was awakened by a little pony speaking to him "Welcome to Victoria's Fashion Stables for Horses Did you secretly arrive by magical forces?"

"Well," said Pedro, I had me this dream That I was supposed to meet up with a rainbow team

Specifically Seven Sisters who are destined to lead All the Rainbow team children to rescue animals from greed."

"Well! That's good," said the little pony, "sounds really clear You've come to the right place because the sisters are here!

Yes! There's Kala and Chloe; Those girls and their mamas were smarter than men Because men had always started wars to battle Just like they mistreated baby pigs, chickens, calves and cattle."



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So the seven sisters told their friends in class if you're offered a turkey or ham sandwich say no thanks I'll pass

Because protecting animals was their number one rule Makes you wonder why teachers don't teach this in school. "Besides I like pancakes," said Ophelia with glee. Kala and Marie both exclaimed that they love tasty sauce on steamed broccoli.

> Isabella likes nachos and mashed potatoes. Scarlet and Lily like salads with avocados and tomatoes. And little Chloe loves pears and peaches. The message of the seven sisters well we all can see and most certainly agree The true meaning of love it teaches.

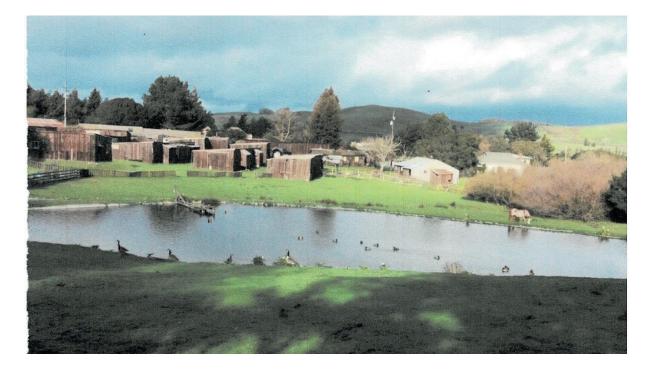
Part II

The Adventures of Pedro the Purple Turtle in Petaluma

After the riding lessons the sisters brushed the horses clean They helped feed and water the baby goats for they were on the wean. They all thanked Victoria then were off and away What should we do with the rest of today?

Pedro said "The road goes on forever and the party never ends" Queen Maxine called down from the tree "Go next door and you will see, a host of new friends." "I'll show you the way" said a happy hopping toad "Follow me this way, it's just down the road."

Well Kala had a camera and a picture she did take of the hundred and forty four Canadian Geese around the Artesian Lake. Well Chloe said we got lots of bread and bags of veggies and fruity treats, Are we at the farm so full of charm That's known as "Cactus Pete's"?



Well the Rainbow Clan is always yearnin to be smarter every day and gladly learnin So many ways to prepare edible cactus for salads and sautés and even sorbets.

Everybody went down to the big farmhouse And there they did wait. Pedro called "Cactus Pete, please open the gate." Well Cactus Pete did so just in time sort of like a perfect rhyme

> Because coming down the hill a runnin Was Maa Maw and all the sheep, Maa Maw followed by eighteen more and they ran up right to the door Three abreast and six deep.

Following them were 10 white geese in a row like a train with a caboose. This his bunch, they all arrived for lunch and the last of the geese was Frank the Goose.

Ophelia Bedelia cried out "Oh good that Frank's not lost" She said Frank's got two blue eyes and both of them are crossed And everyone knows with geese how it goes Through grass and weeds they will schnibble They also like to be fed with the day's extra bread and often Frank accidently my fingers will nibble.

Well Pedro said to Maa Maw "Baa Ram Ewe" We're on a mission by the Cosmic Physician to free all animals it's true." Well Maa Maw and all the sheep said thank you and all agreed That too many farmers abused their animal friends and do so in service to greed.

Frank the Goose said "Not far from here are beautiful little calves chained by the neck to stalls" "And in the other direction are thousands of laying hens in prisons in large scary halls. They never ever see the light of day and never ever get to go out to play." And all the geese and sheep cried, It's true Can you help them Seven Sisters? What can anyone do? For we can sometimes hear them crying at night And to see how they're treated is a terrible sight."

Pedro said, "That's why we're here as the Rainbow Clan. We're determined and dedicated and we got a plan. Rainbow children and all animals unite in solidarity And then we will set the incarcerated free".

So all the sheep and geese had plenty to eat and everyone else got veggie burritos with cactus from 'Cactus Pete." So guess who's been watching from the bird feeder kinda silly, It was Cactus Pete's kitty, Smilin' Lily.



Well Lily also had the munchies So Isabella poured her a bowl of Crispy Crunchies and as everyone pretty much finished their dish Scarlet Bella said somebody better also feed the fish. For dessert we had what's known as tunas or apples or pears the fruit of the cactus with needles bewares so very delicious and so too full of seeds you could crunch em and munch em or spit 'em out in the weeds.

Marie piped up saying "We are made as the Creator. Which means also we can be the Liberator. Our mission to some might seem outrageous But our Heart and Soul with our focused goal be absolutely contagious." Little Lily then said "We are very powerful, I'm talkin' about us, And more and more children will want to get on our bus. We've got clear sight and we're in the right, now the adults we beseech For true freedom we yearn and burn and all children we will teach."

Then Ophelia Bedelia whose middle name is Clementine
Looked in our bag and one more thing did find,
It was a bag of carrots that we got from Franny
"We forgot to feed Rocky and Annie!"
So as 'Cactus Pete" continued to spin us a yarn
We all walked over to the horse's barn.

We looked and we searched in the barn and throughout, We called out "Rocky" and "Annie" all seven did shout. Isabelle Rose climbing the fence reached high on her toes, "There they are by the lake next to the little stream that flows."



With a Winnie and a nicker they ran over to the Rainbow Clan And with a warm and soft muzzle everyone got a little nuzzle And we all enjoyed crunching delicious carrots with glee.

It was early spring as meadow birds sing So we all planted herb seeds and sunflowers, so tall that they towers, sunflowers grow quickly you know. We planted squash and zucchinis, and great blue lake green beanies With a variety of heirloom potatoes We planted varieties of cucumbers And brilliant flowers in great numbers Attracting pollinators to help our tomatoes.

> We cut back the roses and connected the hoses To be sure of plentiful waters And even when it began then to rain Absolutely no one did complain.

So blessed the almighty rainbow daughters Their work was made fun and they played so to run Under the beautiful sunshine above The geese all gave chase and the sheep joined the race True hearts call this heavenly love.



It was getting to be in the late afternoon And tonight we're getting ready for the full moon Now the Canadian Geese were beginning to fly In V shaped squadrons up in the sky while singing their most favorite tune. It was such a beautiful day, what more could we do or say It felt like everybody here was a winner Then guess what, Aunt Cindy stopped by with some dinner.

Now Aunt Cindy is a real good cook Makes everything delicious, no need of a book. She brought a wonderful salad with avocado toast most gourmet Everyone was hungry and grateful saying Thank You, Hooray!

There was lettuce and spinach and sweet peppers so too golden beets Tomatoes and dried cranberries and sprouts and cucumbers tonight at Cactus Pete's, And still one more leafy green, Kala guessed it, it was Dinosaur Kale, Two beverages to drink, pure spring water and organic ginger ale.

> Now Pedro the Purple Turtle who just came from the East Had never ever enjoyed such a feast. So glad and happy was he that this opportunity arose He drank the ginger ale too fast and it came out his nose?

Pedro said "Vegetarians love their animal friends and to their friends they'll always be nice. Plus there's so much to do with salads and greens, vegetables, pasta and rice." Chloe said "Let's grow more gardens with vegetables and fruits And if there's enough for everyone there will be no more disputes."

> "Out of the mouths of babes!" Pedro cried, They know through Spirit the truth can't hide That's why adults must seek the child within To cease worldly foolishness for true peace to begin."

And so it's all Vegan The Seven Sister's plan With everyone they shared recipes for vegetarian meals And how to help each other with gardening concept ideals.

They told all their friends in school To please join us in sharing this tool If for the first time ever Earth is to know peace then the killing and eating of animals now cease. Well all the Seven sisters agreed This is how we will plant the seed The road goes on forever and the party never ends We love all the animals surely we all be friends.

All of a sudden a hummingbird did appear Hovering above the center of dinner saying, "Have no fear I've come to join you briefly at this meeting table To let you know your quest is the best and will work because you are able."

Quickly became night and out was the full moon and along with this hour came many a tune the toads were a croakin, crickets and tree frogs were a singing and a knock at the front door a surprise love was bringing.

It was Rupert Racoon and Percy the Possum "We heard about your mission we think you are awesome And last night we ate some extra cat food inside of your door So we were wondering please might we please have some more?"

Cactus Pete said, "Come on in for a nibble There's an extra bowl that's full of kibble." Everyone had big fun and feeling quite hearty Tonight the Seven Sisters and Pedro would go on to Granny's for a slumber party.

Well Queen Maxine, the great white owl had been watching all the while Quite pleased was she, I could tell by her smile.



Part III

Seven Sisters Slumber Party

When the Seven Sisters got to Granny's they were ready for bed From a very full day of riding and working and planting and planning And playing, yes so much was said.

Everybody was at the breakfast table by eight As Granny was fixin' everybody a special plate One at a time they told Granny about their adventures yesterday - sounded like a fable They all took turns til they went around the table.

> Well it was pancakes and syrup or avocado toast with tomato or grilled onions and mushrooms with country fried potato or agave nectar on toast, or jam or jelly Fresh peaches or bananas for everyone's belly.

Yes everyone had seconds, some even had thirds Except Ophelia Bedelia who just ate like birds And of course there was orange juice, so too almond milk or grape juice or tea, even chocolate hemp silk.

Well the conversation got louder, then Granny said "Beg pardon" Then everyone said "Yes, please" when asked to help in the garden. So they raked up the leaves and repotted plants Fun working with friends except the pots filled with ants.

> They worked so hard bless their little hearts Then for an hour planted one hundred flower starts And finally they watered after they weeded As neighbors walked by most friendly were greeted.

One older couple asked if the Seven Sisters could help them please, "For we can't garden anymore cause we both have bad knees. If Granny would let you we just live next door And be glad to pay you your time for the chore."

> Granny said, Yes they'll help but not today There's so much to do hardly time even to play Maybe tomorrow sometime after three

I'll call in the afternoon, please wait and see."

Well Pedro himself was just roaming around Through the flowers and grass to the pond in the ground. In the pond were so many beautiful colors of fish After watching them swimming Pedro tossed in a coin and then made a wish.

> Pedro's wish was secret and wow, it was good I'd tell you right now but don't know if I should? It would make so many happy and the true spirit of love grow Should I tell you children, I just don't know?

Well the lawn and flower garden was looking great – time for lunch Pedro wasn't sure what Granny was serving but he had a wishful hunch Hooray he was right – veggie gourmet burgers with almond jack cheese Everybody had one, Pedro asked, "One more please?"

This afternoon was dedicated to preparing a lesson As to why there's no peace in humanity without a guessin. All those smart girls knew which most adults cannot see is that what people do to farm animals is being done as to the least of me.

It's the greatest truth disregarded by religions The blind that can't hear misdirecting pigeons For as Maa Maw taught us that to really be sheep Our heart felt love must really run deep.

So each picked a topic to present to their classmates without being hesitant plus a lot of their friends already understood That killing and eating animals is just no good.

A true charm of a farm is one of no harm But to those who deceive and don't believe we'll point them out with great alarm. We'll fight the abusers with love we'll sing them a song We can only move forward after ceasing that which we know is wrong. Well Kala picked the Humane Society their efforts and good works receive notoriety They work mostly with dogs, puppies, kittens and cats so to pigeons and parrots, guinea pigs and rats They make sure everyone's happy and healthy and clean and then up for adoption displayed to be seen.



There's one in every county sometimes more Their workers and volunteers maintain a loving policy of the open door And veterinarians make sure that all be healthy And all kinds of nice people stop by to adopt no matter poor or wealthy.

> Scarlett Bella picked Koko the Gorilla who loves both cocoa beans and sticks of vanilla. In sign language Koko knows over 800 signs and loves playing with her kitten when she unwinds.



Koko is the most famous real Gorilla on the planet Sort of like King Kong with muscles of granite Eight times stronger than any man be she So too smarter than men this vegetarian be. Well Chloe don't you know, picked Babe the Pig Smartest little pig ever, could even dance a jig Chosen from a scary factory barn, he wasn't even the pick of the litter. Babe was lucky indeed, even got a Border Collie Mama to be his babysitter.



He was taken to a farm where all the animals were free from cages In a beautiful hillside landscape unchanged for ages. In the sheep herding contest he proved smarter than all the dogs. This very courageous and smart little piglet was Babe – King of all hogs.

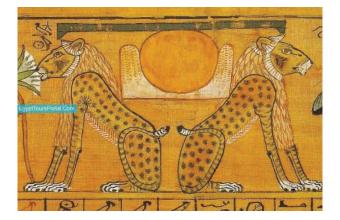
Ophelia Bedelia whose middle name is Clementine Picked P.E.T.A. people for the ethical treatment of animals – so fine For they too are Rainbow Warriors dedicated to protect and defend To stop abuse in zoos and circuses for every animal be their friend.



Elephants should not be chained and trained for tricks so people can see They wish to be in the forest with family and friends they wish to be free So true too of lions and tigers and bears P.E.T.A. warriors are among those whose passion thunderously fares. Now Isabella Rose loves the Cheetahs at Safari West Cheetahs are beautiful and the fastest cats – in running they are the best Safari West is a very well run sanctuary and many animal homes are as wide as a prairie.

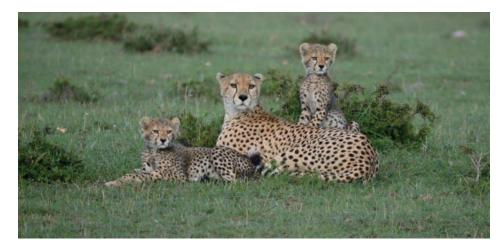


The animals are happy there, they get to roam Shouldn't everyone have a happy home? Elephants, giraffes, meercats, gazelle and parrots; Guess which of these loves to eat carrots? Well Lily said one of my favorite secret places is up 101 in Geyserville called the "Isis Oasis" There they have the elusive and beautiful ocelot Wild cats from around the world and the American Bobcat they got.



Such beautiful tropical birds and albino peacocks and a wonderful pond with black swans on the rock

There's pictures of animals in the Egyptian Temple A place to reflect, maybe get sentimental. Marie chose the famous Shambala Preserve Where you could walk with a lion if you had the nerve A retirement community from all the traveling shows Mostly big cats so don't step on their toes.



Lions and Tigers and Black Panthers too And elephants to trumpet their freedom it's true No more tricks or whips or cages Free to be as was meant thru the ages.

Pedro picked the guide dogs for the blind Run by Snoopy's friend a nice lady most kind They raise and train labs and shepherds to help people see to guide them safely be a great responsibility.



The dogs can't be aggressive, they have to be fair

They must be most loyal and never to scare; A most honorable position with a grateful friend, Cooperation essential for this team work to blend. Pedro and the Seven Sisters had eight stories to share We got pictures for each report to show and compare And a Rainbow Report summary with sites all could google By making learning fun stimulates the noodle.

Try googling "Famous Vegetarians" on the internet today And a very long list of good people shows up to display You'd really be surprised who shows up on this list And you can hear it by spirit they all be sun kissed.

And how about the famous gardener from Sonoma County Luther Burbank's work with plants provided such a bounty. This man seemed to all a natural magician; Seemed Almighty did guide him lovingly thru the celestial musician.

He possessed magical powers creating new flowers He talked to plants and the trees and listened for hours Crossbred so many new veggies and the Burbank potato The spineless cactus, the shasta daisy, even of course the Burbank tomato.





That's the story that our Granny told When Luther gardened he was patient and bold And tomorrow morning we would visit Burbank's garden and park



there's so much to see and so much to learn Mother Nature's true world is really a lark.

Time now for dinner a big vegan pizza pie and steamed asparagus and broccoli with tasty sauce on, oh my! We all ate two pieces and plenty of greens Because warriors must be fit and healthy, you know what that means.

Went into the living room by the roaring fire, We stayed in a circle, on a shelf Granny reached higher. She pulled out and showed us the cover of a book Then sat down and cracked it open saying let's have a look.

She said, "Pay attention as I read you this tale. It's about Humphrey, and Humphrey's a whale.

"Well a few years back Humphrey swam up the Petaluma River He needed some help, in great pain, for in one of his fins was a sliver. So many people watched and pointed at Humphrey but the injury no one did notice, Until a brave little boy jumped in to remove the sliver; Humphrey said, 'Thank you Otis.' "He said, 'Please tell your people to stop polluting the water Because for all life on Earth it's bad for everyone's son and daughter.'

"Then Otis jumped on top of Humphrey and they went for a ride, Back to the ocean Humphrey let him off by the tide. 'Thank you,' said Humphrey, 'for being my friend.'



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