

## SQUIRREL BITE PROCEDURE

**Warning:** Warn adults and children that the squirrels bite and could carry disease. Two to three people get bitten each year.

**Procedure:** Friends of the Elephant Seals has developed the following procedures to avoid legal problems and financial liability when someone gets bitten by a squirrel on the bluff.

1. **Recommend that the bitten person go to the Ranger Station at the Hearst Castle Visitor Center. The Information Desk at the Castle can direct the person to the Ranger Station.**
2. Do not apply first aid on the person bitten.
3. Do not offer to drive them to an emergency station.
4. If you have band-aids with you, you can offer them but nothing else.
5. There is an accident report in your bluff pack. This report needs to be filled out and returned to the office. It is important you try to obtain their name, address, description of the injury, and your name. In addition, note the injury in your bluff log book.

