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## Keepers of the Wild 2014 Calendars

**NEW!** Keepers of the Wild Calendars are available for purchase. These beautiful 14" x 11" calendars feature photos and stories of our animal residents. These make great gifts and help support the animals at Keepers of the Wild.

\$19.95 each (includes shipping and handling)

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## Big Cat Sanctuaries Unite



Toward the end of October, International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW) & Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries

(GFAS) hosted a 3 day Big Cat Sanctuary Workshop. Jonathan & Tina had the opportunity to travel to North Carolina and connect with 20+ sanctuaries throughout the US.

Each day of the workshop focused on a wide variety of subject matter including big cat husbandry and care, safety, sanctuary sustainability, outreach, education and legislation. The workshop was not only educational but an excellent opportunity to meet other sanctuary operators and establish a sense of camaraderie. After all, we are all working toward the same goal- to help the animals!

It was a wonderful experience and Jonathan and Tina look forward to attending future gatherings.

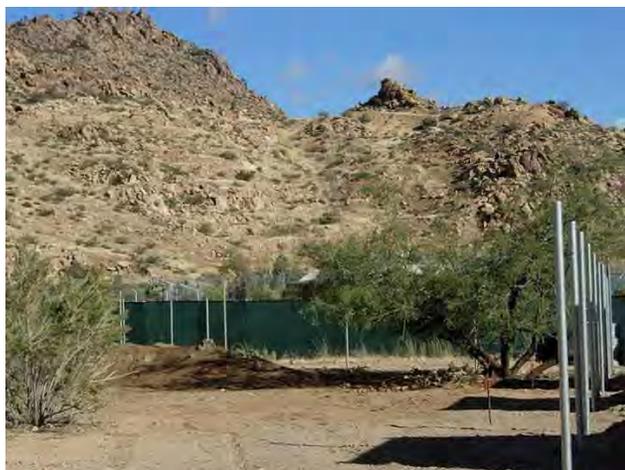
## Around the Park

Keepers of the Wild is constantly trying to improve the lives of our animal residents. Our latest project is expanding the habitats for the small animals in monkey village. Construction, clean up, and rearranging have commenced.

We will be home to a group of wallabies that were rescued from the Las Vegas Zoo, after it was forced to close by the USDA. The wallaby habitat below is being constructed first because they are being temporarily housed by another facility until the habitat construction is completed. Jonathan and Tina have checked on them and they are doing well.

The fencing posts were installed and set in cement. In the meantime, Jonathan ordered an indoor facility for the wallabies that can be heated. He also did a lot of clearing work including removing rocks, raking, and pruning. He poured several tons of sand and AB in the habitat to soften and level the ground. He even constructed them a little "Happy Hopper Hill" that they can perch on.

The wallaby house was delivered and setup on Monday. The fencing company will install the fencing and gates to complete the enclosure on Wednesday. This habitat is filled with bushes, trees and other natural vegetation. We are sure they will love there new life-long home at Keepers of the Wild.





Lion Ark Movie Screening



The Lion Ark movie is a documentary about a daring animal rescue led by ADI founders Jan Creamer and Tim Phillips. called Operation Lion Ark in Bolivia, which closed every animal circus and rescued all the animals.

Lion Ark had its world premiere in London, only one month ago, and is currently screening in a number of high profile film festivals. The movie has received rave reviews from those that have attended the screenings. Jonathan and Tina will be attending a screening of the Lion Ark movie in November. Keepers of the Wild is a supporter and a sponsoring producer of this movie and will be noted in the credits.

For further information about the movie and future screenings, visit the [Lion Ark Movie Facebook Page](#) and the [Lion Ark Movie Website](#).

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## Big Cats & Public Safety Protection Act HR 1998 | S. 1381

U.S. Senator Richard Blumenthal (D-Conn) has introduced the Big Cats and Public Safety Protection Act (S.1381). The bill aims at banning private possession and breeding of tigers, lions, and other captive big cats in the United States, while requiring current "owners" to register their big cats. The identical House version of the bill was introduced in May by U.S. Representatives Buck McKeon (R-CA) and Loretta Sanchez (D-CA).

[Read Bill S.1381](#)

**[Please urge your U.S. senators to co-sponsor the Big Cats and Public Safety Protection Act today.](#)**

Find your Senator's contact information by following this link!

[http://www.senate.gov/general/contact\\_information/senators\\_cfm.cfm](http://www.senate.gov/general/contact_information/senators_cfm.cfm)

### **5 Co-sponsors**

Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]

Sanders, Bernard "Bernie" [I-VT]

Gillibrand, Kirsten [D-NY]

(joined Sep 23, 2013)

Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]

(joined Sep 26, 2013)

Markey, Edward "Ed" [D-MA]

(joined Oct 28, 2013)

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## Just For Fun...Scarecrow Fest Along Route 66

The Grand Canyon Caverns invited businesses along Rt. 66 to participate in a Scarecrow Fest. We put our creative heads together and this is what we came up with (of course you can tell our main focus was the lion). Scarecrows were displayed all month long throughout the premises. We were told that our lion was a hit!



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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**Ruckus:** Bengal Tiger  
10/10/2007



**Nathan:** Pig-tailed  
Macaque  
10/1/1998



**Bogie:** Lilac Crowned  
Amazon ? /1995



**Sunny:** Sun Conure ?/1994



**Lancelot:** Emu  
Acquired On \*10/14/2006



**Highway:** Emu  
Acquired On \*10/30/2002



**Mr Bird:** Green Cheeked

Conure 10/11/2003

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