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## In Loving Memory of Red

In loving memory of our dear friend, James "Red" Harper who died on February 7, 2013 of pneumonia. Red was a long-time volunteer and friend to the staff, volunteers and animals of Keepers of the Wild.

Red was a retired iron worker that spent much of his time working at Keepers of The Wild. The majority of the animal habitats and den boxes were welded by Red and/or constructed with his help.

We miss you and your memory will be with us always.



## A Sad Day in the Animal World...PAWS Co-Founder, Pat Derby, Dies of Cancer

Pat Derby started out as an animal trainer for television shows like "Lassie" and "Flipper" who then became a voice against the abuse and exploitation of animals in entertainment. She co-founded the Performing Animal Welfare Society (PAWS) along with partner Ed Stewart in 1984.

Pat passed away on February 15, 2013 of throat cancer. She was a champion of animal welfare and will be greatly missed by all.



## No Fun For Elephants!

WATCH & SHARE this new video "No Fun for Elephants" narrated by Bob Barker and help end the use of elephants giving rides at fairs, performing in circuses, parades and other events. ADI is sending copies of the DVD, which features their undercover footage, to fair and event organizers all over the country. [Watch Now!](#)



## Around the Park...

### **Pinzgauer**

With the tour season upon us, Jonathan and Tina recently traveled to Phoenix to pick up another tour vehicle. We have needed one for quite some time and Jonathan happened to find a great deal on a Pinzgauer. With another tour vehicle available, we will be able to accommodate more visitors which in turn will bring more money in to care for the animals.



### **NEW REFRIGERATOR**

What happens when your refrigerator continually freezes up, leaks water all over the floor and repairs are not successful? It's time to get a new refrigerator! So out of necessity- that's what we did! We are now able to store more food and keep it fresh for a longer period of time.



## Monkeying Around

One of our wonderful volunteers, Ginney Stubbe, gave a donation for the purchase of a new toy for our resident Capuchin monkeys, Max & Lola. Max was the first to explore their new toy and Tina managed to capture a couple of shots of him.





## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



**Snickers**

Llama

Acquired on 2/5/2011



**Archie**

Green-winged Macaw

2/16/1993

To make a one-time or recurring donation using your debit card, credit card, checking or savings account! Click the "Donate Now" button below.

**DONATE NOW!**

### **Support the Big Cats and Public Safety Protection Act (H.R. 4122)**

Earlier this year, Rep. Buck McKeon (R-CA) and Rep. Loretta Sanchez (D-CA) introduced bipartisan bill H.R. 4122 to prohibit the private possession and breeding of big cats. The bill will insure that lions, tigers and other dangerous big cats - which are kept as pets and exploited in roadside zoos and traveling exhibits - do not threaten public safety, diminish the global big cat conservation efforts, or end up living in deplorable conditions where they can be subject to mistreatment and cruelty.

Read [H.R. Bill 4122](#), Big Cats and Public Safety Protection Act: H.R. Bill 4122

This is the bill that can stop the abuse - please call and email your elected representative and urge him or her to cosponsor H.R. 4122.

**Break the Chain- Help Stop Circus Animal Suffering  
Minutes of Entertainment = A Lifetime of Misery for Exotic Animals.**

**Traveling Exotic Animal Protection Act, H.R. 3359**

We urgently need you to contact your member of Congress and ask them to support HR 3359, the Traveling Exotic Animal Protection Act, to restrict the use of wild animals in traveling circuses.

The Traveling Exotic Animal Protection Act, HR 3359 was introduced in congress by Congressman Jim Moran (Virginia) Ringlings home state.

Read a copy of the bill  
[H.R. 3359](#) Take Action!

Contact your member of Congress and ask for their support and co-sponsorship of this important animal protection legislation.



**Smellvin**

Champagne Skunk

Smellvin passed away with cancer. He was a sweetheart and we miss him.



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