

WILD Impressions

A Newsletter from Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary

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TASTE of the WILD

Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary

Saturday, October 6, 2012
4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Can You Taste It?

Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary invites you to Taste of the Wild, a wine and food tasting fundraising event. Sample the menus of local wineries and restaurants including:

Arizona Stronghold Vineyards	Murphy's
Celtic Crossings Pub & Restaurant	Oak Creek Vineyards
Chef Bryan's Bistro	The Office
Cowgirl in the Kitchen Cafe	Olive U Naturally
Cracker Barrel	Page Springs Cellars
Dancing Skeleton Jerky & Stuff	The Palace Restaurant & Saloon
Dionysian Cellars	Prescott Brewing Company
Dry Gulch Steakhouse	Prescott Station Grill & Bar
Gurley Street Coffee	Roman Ristorante
Gurley Street Grill	Shannon's Gourmet Cheesecakes
Hassayampa Inn's Peacock Dining Room	Texas Roadhouse
	Toi's Thai Kitchen

Live and silent auctions will include items such as: travel packages, airline tickets, artwork, rounds of golf, wine baskets, private meals cooked for you by a personal chef, exclusive behind-the-scenes animal opportunities and much more! Tickets include a souvenir wine glass. This event will be held on the beautiful grounds of the Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary, so guests can visit all their favorite animals and be entertained by live music and special animal encounters. Tickets are \$50 per person.

VIP Tickets are also available! VIP tickets include reserved seating in the VIP tent, special "behind the scenes" tours and animal encounter opportunities. VIP tickets are \$100 per person, or you can purchase a table of 8 for \$750.

Did you want to know more about sponsorship opportunities? Would you like to donate something for the auction? There is still time. Call Heather at (928) 778-4242 ext 16.

Tickets to Taste of the Wild are on sale now! Please call (928) 778-4242 to purchase your ticket today. 21 and over only please.



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Prescott Animal Park Association, a 501c3 non-profit organization, is the parent corporation of Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary.

Zoo Hours

May 1 - Oct. 31: 9am - 5pm
Nov. 1 - Apr. 30: 10am - 4pm
June/July/August open until 8:00pm on Saturdays (extended hours)

Board of Directors

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Claire Waite/Keeper
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Mission

Giving refuge to non-releasable, rescued wildlife while providing conservation through exhibition and public education.

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Please let us know if you would like this newsletter emailed by contacting Membership@heritageparkzoo.org.

Educational Programs... *Calling all kids!*

Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary Fall 2012 ZOO CAMP



Get hands on experience with the animals, participate in games, explore wildlife and nature by conducting wild investigations and creating amazing crafts.



Animal Tales: The 3 Bears, the Big Bad Wolf, Crafty Coyote. Animals have long had important places in stories throughout the ages. Come learn about how animals in Fables, Fairy Tales, Myths and Legends translate to real animal characteristics.

October 8 - 12, 2012 • 8:30 am - 3:00 pm

Age Groups: 6 - 8 yrs. & 9 - 12 yrs. • Price: \$150 members per session; \$175 non-members per session
For more information or to register, call **778-4242**

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

Breakfast with the Animals...



September 8, 2012 – Bear

On the second Saturday of each month, a different animal will be featured and fed while you enjoy a continental breakfast. Facts and artifacts will be shared about the animal concluding with a craft. Each paying adult may bring in one child 12 or under for free. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Program starts at 9:00am and the cost is: \$20 members; \$25 non-member.

Enrollment is now open for the fall Zooteen class.

Please call (928) 778-4242 ext 18 to sign up today.

Are you interested in sharing your love of animals with others?

Become a Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary Docent!
Call (928) 778-4242 ext 18 to find out more.

**All programs require pre-registration! Spots are limited—register early!
Call 928-778-4242 or visit www.heritageparkzoo.org for registration info.**

HPZS Partners with the Phippen Museum for Western Art



Most animal lovers already know how beautiful animals can be. Now you can see these beautiful animals immortalized at The Wild West exhibition at the Phippen Museum for Western Art. This exhibition runs from July 20th through October 28th. During this time, HPZS Members will receive free admission to the Phippen Museum just by showing their Sanctuary Membership Card. If you not an HPZS member yet and are interested in becoming one, please call (928) 7784242 or visit www.heritageparkzoo.org. If you would like to know more about the Phippen Museum or The Wild West exhibition, please call (928) 778-1385 or visit www.phippenmuseum.org.

There's Still Time to Get Your HPZS/ Highlands Center Joint Membership

A Natural Partnership



From now until September 30th, you can still purchase a Family Membership to both Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary and the Highlands Center for Natural History for the low price of \$80. That's a savings of \$40! Members receive full membership benefits at both institutions. The Highlands Center encourages children and adults to discover the wonders of nature. To find out more about this amazing opportunity, please call (928) 7784242 or visit www.heritageparkzoo.org. Sign up today!

HPZS Staff Goes to the Birds *by Kim McCall*



Prophet the augur buzzard scrutinizes Lisa Neuwelds technique as Sid Price and Robin Shewokis look on.

We weren't sure what to expect, but an African pied crow (apparently taking time off from selling window cleaner) snatching empty soda cans from our hands and depositing them into a recycle bin was not on our list. This is just one of the ways that Sid Price, founder and owner of Avian Ambassadors, uses birds to educate through entertainment. And the weekend of June 30th/July 1st was his 9th Annual Raptor Handling Class in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary was well represented.

Five staff members made the trip to Albuquerque to at-

tend. Eleven students including two animal trainers from Canada watched as the pied crow, a Eurasian eagle owl, a common buzzard (European hawk), and an African augur buzzard (a relative of our red tailed hawk) were used to demonstrate a variety of types, temperaments, and abilities.

We spent the mornings learning training techniques and philosophies. Sid was assisted by Robin Shewokis who owns a company that designs and manufactures items for enrichment of captive animals. Both Sid and Robin believe that animals are more willing to work with us if we allow for individual temperaments and reward small steps towards a goal behavior. We

also took note of the various transport crates and perches, as well as suggestions for improving bird presentations.

Then it was our turn. We each donned our gloves to practice knots, learn raptor body language, and safely pass birds from one handler to another. In spite of being captive bred and hand reared, the augur buzzard was a particularly intimidating school master.

For several months prior to the class we had each been assigned a bird to work with at HPZS. Sid admitted that working with wild caught birds like ours presented great challenges. But we all came away with new knowledge, skills and confidence which we can apply here at HPZS.



HPZS Conservation : A Record Year for Rescues



Keeper Lisa Neuweld feeds a baby skunk.



A rescued baby American Kestrel.

Every year, Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary rescues over 250 animals that are either brought to the doors of the Sanctuary or that HPZS employees rescue from the field. So far this year, HPZS is on track to break the record for the number of animal rescues. From January through June, HPZS rescued 150 animals, and that number continues to grow.

When an animal comes in to Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary, the “rescuer” is required to fill out paperwork on the animal. This lets keepers know when and where the animal was found, what the injury might be and if the animal has been given any treatment. Once the paperwork is complete, the animal is taken to the Medical Room to be examined. At this point, keepers are able to determine what species the animal is, what the extent of the injuries are and the animal is given some medical treatment, if necessary. Occasionally, if the animal requires emergency medical care, the animal is taken to a local animal hospital for treatment. Once the animal is stable, it is transferred to a long-term rehabilitation facility.

HPZS staff and volunteers are extremely dedicated to caring for these animals. The hope is that the animals will be able to be completely rehabilitated and returned to the wild.

What can I do to help?

- You can contribute to the HPZS Conservation Fund. The money you donate will go directly towards baby animal formula, medical supplies, crates to hold and transfer the animals, towels, heating pads, veterinary care and gas for off-site rescues and transfers. Call (928) 778-4242 to donate to the HPZS Conservation Fund today.

- Call before you take any animal out of the wild. Often, an animal that appears to be injured or orphaned is just experiencing a normal stage in that animal’s development. When you find an animal you think may be injured or orphaned, please call HPZS at (928) 778-4242 before removing it from the wild. If it is a large animal that might be dangerous, call Arizona Game and Fish at (623) 582-9806. Do not try to capture it yourself!

- Volunteer to help. Living Collections volunteers at Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary are many times called on to help with rescue animal by feeding them, cleaning their temporary enclosures, even transporting them to rehabilitation facilities. If you are interested in volunteering, please call (928) 778-4242 ext 17.

2012 Calendar of Events

	August	2, 31	Zoo by Moonlight
		4, 11, 18, 25	Nocturnal Nature Night
		25	Wet & Wild Water Day
	September	8	Breakfast with Bear
		30	Zoo by Moonlight
	October	6	Taste of the Wild
		7	Volunteer Appreciation Dinner
		8 - 12	Fall Zoo Camp
		13	Breakfast with Wolf
		20	Zoofest
		31	Boo at the Zoo
	November	10 & 11	Dollar Days
		23, 24 & 30	Wildlights
	December	1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29	Wildlights
		9	Santa with the Animals

New Animals at HPZS!

Charity



Conures



George



Max



Caiman



Javalina

Aaron, Dolly and Charity are miniature horses that were placed on exhibit in July. They are inhabiting the old emu enclosure in Kiwanis Korner. Aaron and Dolly are Charity's parents. They are retired cart horses and came from a private donor.

Two beautiful Conure parrots arrived in July. They are currently residing in the small aviary next to the main entrance. They were donated by a private donor.

Blueberry and George, two Nigerian Dwarf Goats, arrived in early summer and may be found in the animal encounter area in the Kiwanis Korner. Blueberry is George's mother. They were also donated by a private donor.

Max the Blue and Gold Macaw arrived in May and has been making friends with Mandy, HPZS's resident Macaw who has lived at the Sanctuary since 1988. He was a private donation. Both macaws live across from the reptile house.

Two Caimans are on loan to HPZS. These two alligator relatives may be found in one of the exterior enclosures of new reptile building. They arrived in July.

A javalina who had become a nuisance animal in the Tucson area was brought to HPZS by Arizona Game and Fish as a juvenile. He placed in one half of the javalina enclosure in June, across from the residing javalina, Sparky.

In Memoriam



Tasai, Mexican Grey Wolf



Minkers, Albino Striped Skunk

Tasai, the Mexican Gray Wolf passed away in July from an inoperable tumor. Tasai, and his brother Imado are part of the Mexican Gray Wolf Species Survival Plan (SSP). Visitors may still see Imado on exhibit. HPZS will be the recipient of a female wolf from the SSP to be a companion with Imado in September.

Minkers, the albino striped skunk, quietly passed away in June due to age-related illness. During her short stay at HPZS, she was a favorite among docents and staff for animal shows due to her calm demeanor and will personality.



KEEPER FOR A DAY

**Ever wondered what it would
be like to be a Zoo Keeper?**

Find out with Keeper for a Day at Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary!

This unique, hands-on program allows adults to experience what day to day life is like for a zoo keeper. Spend the day alongside an HPZS keeper and you will prepare animal diets, help clean enclosures, feed the animals and assist with animal training. If you are an animal lover, Keeper for a Day is the exciting, behind-the-scenes experience you've been looking for!



ALSO AVAILABLE:

Junior
**KEEPER
FOR A DAY**

Agese 13-15
plus accompanying adult

What does Keeper for a Day include?

Keeper for a Day includes behind the scenes access accompanied by an HPZS keeper, a t-shirt and souvenir.

What do I need to bring?

Please dress appropriately for the weather but be prepared to get dirty. Closed-toed shoes are required to access the animal areas. Bring a water bottle, a snack, sack lunch and camera to document your day. A hat and sun block is recommended as participants will spend most of their time outside.

What time does the program run?

Keeper for a Day runs from 8:30am to 4:30pm.

How many people may participate?

Due to space restrictions, this program is restricted to two participants per day.

How old do I have to be to participate?

You must be at least 18 years old to participate. If you are age 13-17, please see our Junior Keeper program.

How much does it cost?

HPZS Members - \$100 per person; Non-Members - \$125 per person

How do I sign up?

Please register for this program at least one week before you plan to attend. Call (928)778-4242 to register today. Full payments are due at the time of registration.

Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary

Wish List

Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary is always in need of supplies. Below is a partial list of needed items, or visit the complete wish list on amazon.com under Heritage Park Zoo.

ANIMAL DEPARTMENT:

Bleach
Animal Crates
Dog Runs
Towels, Blankets
Stainless Steel Bowls
Astroturf
Heating Pads
New Dog, Cat and Parrot Toys
Garbage Pails
5-Gallon Buckets
Game Meat
Beef (non-seasoned, less than 12 months old)
Large Syringes (new)

MAINTENANCE/GROUNDS:

Corrugated Aluminum or Steel
Gas Hedge Trimmer
Gas Blower
Bobcat
Wheelbarrows
Fencing
Plywood
Clean Fill Dirt/Decomposed Granite/Pea Gravel
Garden Hoses
Livestock Panels
Shelving
Flashlights
Batteries (all sizes)
Irrigation Material

OFFICE:

White Envelopes
Stamps
Paper Towels
Facial Tissue (Kleenex)
Copy Paper (White or Color)
Laminate Sheets (8 1/2 x 11 or business card size)
13 and 33 gallon trash bags
Ledger Size Paper for Printing (Glossy is ideal)
Scissors
Staplers
Photo Paper
Paper Plates/Cups
Floor Mats
Computers/Printers

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- ☐ I would like to purchase tickets to Taste of the Wild _____ x \$50 = \$ _____
☐ I would like to purchase VIP Tickets to Taste of the Wild _____ x \$100 = \$ _____
☐ I would like to purchase a table to Taste of the Wild _____ x \$750 = \$ _____
☐ I would like to donate an auction item to Taste of the Wild
☐ I would like to know more about becoming a sponsor for Taste of the Wild
☐ I own a restaurant/winery and I would like to know more about having a tasting booth at Taste of the Wild

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Make checks payable to: **HPZS** and mail/drop off with this form to: 1403 Heritage Park Rd.; Prescott, AZ 86301

Credit Card: (circle one) Visa Mastercard Discover PayPal (see website)

Card Number: _____

Signature: _____

Expiration Date: _____

BOO AT THE ZOO!

October 31, 2012 • 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

WILD
Lights
& animal sights

Opening Thanksgiving
Weekend!

November 23 & 24, 2012
6:00pm - 9:00pm

THANK YOU to our donors!

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YES! I'd like to help support Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary!

☐

Please, renew my membership

(Circle one:)

Standard: Individual - \$25 Couple - \$45 Family - \$75

Business: Hawk - \$200 Bobcat - \$500 Jaguar - \$1000

☐

I'd like to make a donation

Amount: \$ _____

☐

I'd like to sponsor an animal

Cost: \$35.00

(Circle one:)

I'd like to sponsor: Gila Monster Snake Macaw

Skink Owl Tarantula Peacock Tortoise

☐

Contact me regarding:



Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Make checks payable to: **The Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary**

and mail/drop off with this form to:

1403 Heritage Park Rd., Prescott, AZ 86301

Credit Card: (check one)

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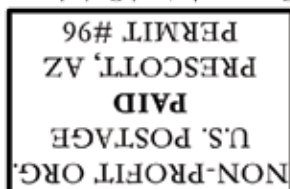
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