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Donations go directly for Zoo Improvements and are fully tax-deductible to the extent the law allows. Donate online at www.santaanazoo.org.

Coming Soon - Tierra de las Pampas

Why do our guanacos and our rhea have that exciting look on their faces these days? Because they are moving to a brand new state-of-the-art home very soon!

"Tierra de las Pampas" (Land of the Grasses) is rapidly approaching its start date to become our latest stunning exhibit here at the Santa Ana Zoo. Groundbreaking is planned to begin on December 31, 2008. "Tierra de la Pampas" will be the first completed biome of the four preplanned South American neotropical biomes.

"Tierra de las Pampas" will celebrate and preserve one of the most highly endangered habitats in the world and be a new home to the beautiful greater rhea, the playful guanacos, the magnificent giant anteater and the fabulous plant life of the region. The exhibit will be educational as well as visually stimulating and have a message very powerful with respect to conservation. This will enable the exhibit to become a living-growing legacy for

future generations. To date you have helped us raise an amazing \$800,000, which means that just another \$400,000 is needed to complete the project. You as Zoo members are a vital key to the success of this campaign. That is why the Friends of Santa Ana Zoo suggests that each member contribute \$25 toward the "Tierra de las Pampas" fundraising campaign.

The "Tierra de las Pampas" Exhibit can be as incredibly beautiful as we dream to make it! Stop by the giant anteater collection display in the Zoo and drop off extra coins that you find in your pockets! Cash in some recyclables and send in a donation check! The completion of this beautiful exhibit relies on you Zoo Members, and if each family contributes \$25, then everyone will benefit from this beautiful dream of a new exhibit!

The Friends of Santa Ana Zoo thank you as you join in with your donation today!

Did You Know — Year of the Frog! By Cathy Miller



2008 has been declared the YEAR OF THE FROG. The Year of the Frog is a globally coordinated public awareness campaign. The main goal of the frog campaign is to generate public understanding of the amphibian extinction crisis.

Why this crisis exists and why do frogs (and other amphibians) matter:

- Nearly 1/3 -1/2 of all amphibians are threatened due to a variety of causes including: habitat loss and degradations, pesticides, and disease.
- Amphibian species are becoming extinct at a pace faster than previously experienced.
- Amphibians are indicators of environment health.
- Amphibians are contributors to human health (providing compounds for analgesics, antibiotics, etc.).
- Amphibians eat pest insects.

The Santa Ana Zoo is joining other zoos, aquariums, botanical gardens, and public and private institutions worldwide to educate the public and increase awareness of the decreasing amphibian populations and provide zoo guests with understanding ways they can help to reverse this crisis.

More information about the Year of the Frog can be found at the following web sites: www.amphibianark.org, www.iucn.org, www.aza.org

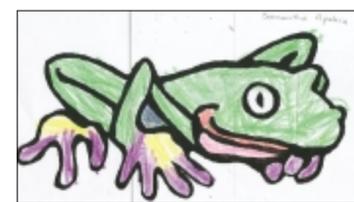


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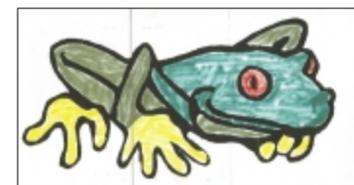
Time Sensitive Material



Year of the Frog Art children's art contest winners



Samantha, Age 4 from Westminster



Noah, Age 8, from Santa Ana

Wish List for the Santa Ana Zoo

The Santa Ana Zoo is always looking for useful donations that can help our wonderful animals. So, while you're cleaning out your house or replacing old items, kindly keep your local Zoo in mind. Please contact Kevin Jackson at (714) 953-8555 x17 about your donation.

- Current items of need:
- Wire Cutters
 - 26" Hand Saw
 - 24" Push Broom
 - 2 large microwave ovens for the hospital and quarantine area industrial vacuum cleaner.
 - A gently used humidifier for the reptile room.
 - Outdoor patio umbrellas.
 - Rubbermaid (or similar) storage bins (clear preferred).

Zoo Info:

HOURS:
Gates Open10 AM
Gates Close4 PM
Grounds Close.....5 PM
The Santa Ana Zoo is open daily except Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

ADMISSION:
Adults (13+)\$6.
Children (3-12)\$3.
Seniors (60+)\$3.
FOSAZ members, disabled persons, and children 2 and under are FREE

Train Rides.....\$3.
11 AM-2 PM Every Day
Subject to change without notice.
Call for further information (714) 836-4000.

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Special Events 2008

EVERY SECOND TUESDAY of the month: FREE Santa Ana residents' day.

June 8 Sunset at the Zoo
Bring a picnic and join us for an evening of live music, coffee, dessert, train rides and animals: 5:30-7:30PM.

June 11 Orange County Natural History Lecture Series (7-9PM, front gates open 6:30-7:15PM): Speaker is Patrick Mitchell Santa Ana River. Free to General Public.

June 21 All Zoo Volunteer Recognition Dinner — Zoo Volunteers only. Amphitheatre. 6:30-8PM.

June 29 Sunset at the Zoo
Bring a picnic and join us for an evening of live music, coffee, dessert, train rides and animals: 5:30-7:30PM.

July 9 Orange County Natural History Lecture Series (7-9PM, front gates open 6:30-7:15PM): Speaker is Chris Lowe - Sharks! Free to General Public.

July 20 Sunset at the Zoo
Bring a picnic and join us for an evening of live music, coffee, dessert, train rides and animals: 5:30-7:30PM.

August 13 Orange County Natural History Lecture Series (7-9PM, front gates open 6:30-7:15PM): Speaker is Jean Angel - Bees of Orange County. Free to General Public.

August 23 Zoofari 2008
Black tie gala fundraising dinner/dance: 5:30PM- midnight

September 27 Membership Appreciation Day — Members get FREE train rides and extra discounts: 11AM-2PM

October 8 Orange County Natural History Lecture Series (7-9PM, front gates open 6:30-7:15PM): Speaker is Loretta Erickson - Parrots of Orange County. Free to General Public.

Dates are tentative and subject to change. For additional information on any event, please contact Kristy Banks with Friends of Santa Ana Zoo at (714) 953-8555 x12 or email her at kbanks@fosaz.org.

Carrousel Animalia - Zoofari 2008

Enter the fantasy world of "Carrousel Animalia" this summer at the Santa Ana Zoo with the 16th annual Zoofari black-tie/safari-wear fundraising gala. On August 23, 2008, from 5:30 PM-midnight, discover our most unique Zoofari, supporting the new Endangered Species Conservation Carrousel and other upgrades and expansions around the Zoo. Wander through a glamorous land teeming with real and mythical flora and fauna while immersed in Cirque du Soleil-style surroundings, and take advantage of California's famous hot and steamy summer nights at the most inspiring venue in Orange County.

The Friends of Santa Ana Zoo has embarked on an outstanding plan to educate children about endangered wildlife through the addition of a carrousel and distribution of educational cards. FOSAZ continues to remain active in the ongoing upgrades and improvements to Zoo exhibits. By supporting this year's Zoofari, you will have a significant impact on our animals and plants and their valuable place in the world, while also enjoying live music and dancing, hors d'oeuvres, a catered sit-down dinner, and cocktails.

Host Chuck Dreyer, Southern California's pre-eminent fundraising auctioneer, will be MC for this magical evening honoring Howard & Karin Hall, FOSAZ board member and carrousel supporter, and Ron & Joyce Glazier, Zoo Director and wife. The Friends of Santa Ana Zoo board president Rip Ribble says, "Join Zoofari Event Manager Cathi Decker and myself along with Honorary Chairs Sandy Segerstrom Daniels and Ed Arnold for the best-ever Zoofari Fundraising Gala. You can bid for wonderful trips, golf outings, and spectacular gifts in our live and silent auctions, while enjoying an evening under the stars of great food,



drink, music, dancing, and companionship."

Zoofari has played an intricate role in the continuing upgrades and improvements of the only AZA-accredited zoo in Orange County, providing millions of dollars during its 16-year history. If you or someone you know is interested in supporting this truly unique and wonderful event and to receive an invitation to the event, please call (714) 953-8555 x10.

Animal Trading Card



Common Name: Crested Capuchin
Scientific Name: Cebus robustus
Distinguishing Characteristics: Crested capuchins have brown to red-brown fur with black hands, feet, and tail ends, and a crest of black hair on top of the head. They have some color vision, and good hearing and sense of smell. Capuchins have the most dexterous hands of any New World monkey, with functionally (but not fully) opposable thumbs, allowing them to grasp and manipulate objects. Their brains are well-developed and extremely large compared to their body weight, probably because they eat more protein than most other monkeys their size.
Habitat: These monkeys have a small range in east Brazil's Atlantic forests, isolated in remnant forest patches. They can be found in up to 1500 m. (5000 ft.) elevation.
Wild Diet: Crested capuchins are omnivorous, eating a more diverse diet than any other New World monkeys. They enjoy fruits, seeds, nuts, insects, other invertebrates, and crops. They pollinate flowers and trees, dispersing pollen and seeds as they move through the forest.
Facts: Their name is derived from their tufts of hair resembling the hoods of Franciscan monks known as "Capuchins", who wear robes with crested hoods. They groom their own fur by hastily brushing it with their fingers, removing dandruff and dirt with their fingers, lips or tongue. They also groom each other to strengthen social bonds.

From the Zoo Director, Ron Glazier

He is a little guy, but he has made big news. On March 25, Juliet, our female crested capuchin monkey, gave birth to a male baby. The Santa Ana Zoo is only the second zoo in the United States to have such a birth, and this birth brings the total U.S. zoo population to just 12 animals. Native to the Atlantic coastal forests of Brazil this species is considered vulnerable to extinction. The wild population is estimated at 10,000 but their numbers are declining because their habitat is being destroyed by deforestation, and sadly, by hunting.



Capuchins of this particular species are known for their intelligence, complex communication skills involving vocalizations, posturing, and facial expressions. Capuchins have the most dexterous hands of all the monkeys and are also the only monkeys known to break open hard nuts using rocks as a form of tool.

Romeo, our male, came from an original group of seven capuchins that were imported from the Rio de Janeiro Primate Center in Brazil to the Brookfield Zoo in Chicago. A pair was sent to the Palm Beach Zoo in Florida and a pair to the Los Angeles Zoo. We received Romeo in October 2006, and he was joined that month by a female born at the Los Angeles Zoo. At first, the pair didn't seem to be much interested in each other. However, sometime last summer there must have been a mutual attraction as the keeper making morning rounds on March 25 found a baby clinging to the mother's belly. Although we suspected she was pregnant, it wasn't until that day that the happy

event was confirmed.

Juliet, a first-time mother, has proven to be an excellent one, being very attentive to the baby, which now spends most of his time riding on mom's back. Romeo has been observed nuzzling the baby, grooming Juliet, and remains very protective of both. It appears we now have the core of a family group. In a few years when the baby matures, he will undoubtedly go to another zoo to be paired with an unrelated female in hopes of starting another family group. Possibly, we will receive another female in the future to start building an even larger breeding group of these endangered primates. In the wild, they are known to live in groups of up to 40.

It is through the international cooperation of the Brazilian government, the U.S.

Fish and Wildlife Service, and other accredited zoos in the Association of Zoos and Aquariums that there is hope for sustaining the future of these marvelous animals. The Santa Ana Zoo is also a member of the Brazilian Ocelot Consortium, which is a similar partnership working with the Brazilian government and nine other U.S. zoos supporting research and conservation of the endangered Brazilian ocelot. Planning is in progress to establish a breeding pair of these small spotted cats at the Santa Ana Zoo.

If you would like to be part of these exciting and worthwhile conservation programs, you can donate to the Friends of Santa Ana Zoo conservation fund and help us in our work to preserve and protect these wonderful animals.

KIDS ZONE - Zoo Fable #13: Gretchen's Tale

Our helmeted guinea fowl are quite safe here at the Santa Ana Zoo. Perhaps you have seen them wandering around freely throughout the Zoo grounds. But, of course, back in the wild, they have to be very careful. Gretchen, the eldest of our guinea fowl, remembers those dangerous days and often gathers up her friends to tell them a story passed down from generation of guinea fowl to generation. Here is her tale:

One day a group of guinea fowl perched on a tree limb when they saw a cheetah down below. "Keep your eye on him!" one of them whispered to the others. "We're safe up here, but you know how clever cheetahs can be!"

The guinea fowl huddled together and peered down at the cheetah, who began to prance about as though he were on Dancing with the Stars. He leaped and

jumped, pawed at the air, and shook his tail. The guinea fowl began to laugh at the cheetah's dance. Then, the cheetah started to twirl in a circle. Faster and faster he went, until the bemused guinea fowl grew dizzy from watching him. Their heads spinning, several lost their balance and fell to the ground. "Thank you for watching!" said the cheetah with a little bow.

Zoo Moral: Danger often comes when we feel safe.

Kids, send your Zoo art (along with your name and age) to: Tom Decker, Friends of Santa Ana Zoo, 1801 E. Chestnut, Santa Ana CA 92701 or e-mail artwork to tdecker@fosaz.org.

WORD SCRAMBLE From Zoo Fable

1. **CRNEGHET** (name of eldest guinea fowl)



2. **KOSHO** (the cheetah " his tail")



3. **WOLF** (guinea)



BONUS: Now unscramble the letters circled above to discover these celebrated animals!



Hint: This animal can be found in the "Did You Know?" section of this newsletter.

FOSAZ Welcomes New Board Member

The Friends of Santa Zoo is pleased to welcome another member to its Board of Directors.

David Dobos has been an educator at Santa Ana College since 1973. He received his Masters Degree in Sociology from San Diego State University. Before coming to Santa Ana College, he was a family counselor for female adolescent wards of the court at the Boys and Girls Aide Society in San Diego. While at SAC he has taught Sociology and was a department chair, a facilitator, a program director, an assistant dean, the dean of students, and an academic division dean.

While he is currently teaching classes on campus and online at the college, working for the Orange County Probation Department and the Orange County United Way, he has also been active as a volunteer and as an appointed representative in



community affairs in the City of Santa Ana for over 25 years. Mr. Dobos is a founding board member of the Friends of Santa Ana Parks, Recreation and Community Services; he has represented the college for the Latino Health Access Advisory Board; he was on the planning committee for what has become the annual Santa Ana Youth Expo; for the past decade he has been the co-M.C. at the Santa Ana Children's Holiday Party; participated in the planning of the City Jazz and Mariachi Festivals; participated in the City's Black History Parade; and he is one of the original members of the Youth Council for the Workforce Investment Board since its inception in September 2000. For the past seven years David has served on the organizing committee of the American Cancer Society Relay for Life for the city of Santa Ana.



Choo Choo Chatter By Paul Mac Farland

The next time you see a freight train passing, see if you can identify the different kinds of freight cars. Many different cars are designed to haul different kinds of things. Let's look at some of the more popular freight cars:

- Probably the most frequently used cars are long "double stack" container cars. These cars are custom-built to hold two truck trailers (without the wheels) stacked on top of each other. The containers are shipped into the United States on large container ships. These containers are already packed with various goods manufactured overseas, and are taken off the ships by big cranes and loaded onto the empty double-stack freight cars. From the Long Beach ports, they are taken into Los Angeles, where the double-stack cars are assembled into long trains (80 to 100 cars) that are headed for the same destination. Double-stack trains probably account for 70% of today's freight trains.
- Box cars are probably the second most popular freight cars in use today. As the name suggests, these are long metal boxes with sliding doors on the sides that are designed to hold just about any kind of cargo (auto parts, lumber, appliances, canned goods, furniture, etc.) that needs to be shipped in a sealed, secure and dry environment.
- Next on the list are tank cars. As with box cars, the name suggests that these cars are sealed tanks with wheels under them and are designed to transport various kinds of liquids. Most tank cars have a dome on the top with a latch where

these cars are filled. Tank cars haul liquids like milk, water, gasoline, oil, various chemicals including hazardous waste which is being transported to an authorized disposal site. Some of the newer type tank cars have hoses linking them together in 10 car units so that when they are being filled with liquid, the filling spout is placed in the end car, and the liquid will fill each car of the 10 cars from the single pumping location. This saves a lot of time in loading.

Then there are flat cars. These cars are designed to carry just about anything that is too large to fit into a box car. Items like large pieces of machinery, or large earth moving equipment are the usual items that are shipped on flat cars. In states like Oregon and Washington, specially fitted flat cars haul large logs to the mills where they are processed into finished lumber.

And lastly, another common freight car is called a gondola. A gondola car is basically a flat car with sides on it that are about five feet tall. Nowadays, gondola cars are primarily used to haul various kinds of scrap metal like wire, pieces of steel, iron, brass, and copper. All of these items are being shipped to large processing plants that separate the materials and then melt them down to be used in other products.

Do you see an interesting fact about all five freight cars? All of them look like what they are named—a double-stack car carries two truck trailers stacked on top of each other; a box car looks like a big box; a tank car is a tank with wheels on it; and a flat car



Double Door Box Car



Flat Car



Tank Car

is perfectly flat. So these should be easy for you to identify on the next freight train that passes you.

See ya' next time, and remember to Keep on Track!

Family Adventure Classes

A variety of natural science workshops are offered to the public on Saturdays. All sessions are geared to a variety of ages and provide an exciting opportunity to learn about animals and nature firsthand. **Reservations and payment must be made in advance.** Call the Zoo Education office at 714-647-6562 for information.

Zoo Camp

Zoo Keeper Camp is an exciting week-long summer day camp offered for children ages 7 through 11. Campers become Junior Zoo Keepers as they learn about how the Zoo takes care of its many exotic animals. Activities include hands-on science lab sessions, animal shows, games, crafts, and a trip to the Los Angeles Zoo. Camp times are 9-3 PM Monday-Wednesday, 9-7 PM Thursday and 9-12 noon on Friday. Tuition fees vary at the different colleges and cities. For prices and registration information please call:

July 7-11
Santa Ana College
714-564-6594

July 14-18
Cerritos College
562-467-5050 X 2521

July 21-25
Golden West College
714-891-3991

July 28- Aug 1
Santiago Canyon College
714-628-4960

Aug 4 - Aug 8
City of Fullerton
714-738-6575

Zoo Members: Your child can attend camp the week of August 4-8 at a special discount price. Please call the Friends of Santa Ana Zoo at 714-953-8555 Ext. 13 for registration details.

Night Safari

This is a great evening program for your family! Join us for a barbecue hot dog picnic dinner, an animal presentation focusing on nocturnal animals and a flashlight tour of the Zoo! Fee is \$12 per FOSAZ member (\$15 nonmember) and includes a pass to return to the Zoo another day. Program time is 7:00-10:00 PM. This single session workshop is designed for families with children of all ages. (No charge for 3 years old and under)

Friday, July 25
Friday, August 1
Friday, August 15

Breakfast with the Beasts

Join us early Saturday morning for a light breakfast of muffins, fruit and juice. In the new Crean Family Farm everyone lends a hand feeding the animals their breakfast - all before the Zoo opens to the public. This single-session workshop is designed for both adults and children of all ages. Workshop meets from 8:30 - 10 AM. Fee is \$8 per FOSAZ member (\$10 nonmember). Two years old and under are free. Fee includes Zoo admission. Reservations and payment must be made in advance.

Saturday, June 28
Saturday, July 19
Saturday, August 16

Sunsets at the Zoo - Santa Ana Zoo's Summer Concert Series



On Sunday June 8th, Sunday June 29th, and Sunday July 20th the Zoo will host live music performances during the beautiful California sunsets. Admission is \$10 per person ages 3 and up, and half-price of just \$5 for Zoo Members. Children under 3 are free. Pack up a picnic dinner, a blanket, your family and friends to enjoy an evening of animals, free train rides, music and art from 5:30-7:30PM each night. Visit www.myspace.com/jazzoo for more information.

Family Adventures Reservation Form

Parent Name _____

Child(s) Name(s) _____ Age(s) _____

Child(s) Name(s) _____ Age(s) _____

Complete Mailing Address / Street / Apt.# _____

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Home Phone Number(s) — very important _____

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