



Black Pine Animal Sanctuary FOOTPRINTS

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NEW RESIDENTS ADJUSTING WELL



"Joe", an 18-year-old long-tailed (Java) macaque monkey, was among over 20 exotic animals removed from a private residence in SE Michigan in late January under order of police. He was released into his brand new outdoor habitat in mid-July.

On January 29, 2016 we were called in to meet and collaborate with members of the veterinary team

from the Binder Park Zoo, and officers with the St. Joe County, MI police department, to remove

exotic animals from a private residence. The adult couple allegedly

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CELEBRATING 10 YEARS SINCE RELOCATION

Volunteers began clearing brush on July 1, 2006. Three weeks later, on July 26, we hosted an official groundbreaking ceremony, at which about 30 people were in attendance.

This year, we celebrate 10 years since our Relocation

Project began!

Over 80 animals were relocated to this site from our founders' home. It took another four years to complete the re-building of habitats to permanently accommodate all of them.

Since 2006, we have wit-

nessed and helped 31 of our residents cross over the rainbow bridge, and welcomed another 69 to enjoy the REST of their lives in our care.

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Everyday Wish List:

Simple Green All-Purpose cleanser
Scoopable cat litter
Dog food
Eggs
Raisins
Fresh fruit

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UPCOMING EVENTS:



Cruise-In / 10th Ann.

August 13

Beer Tasting

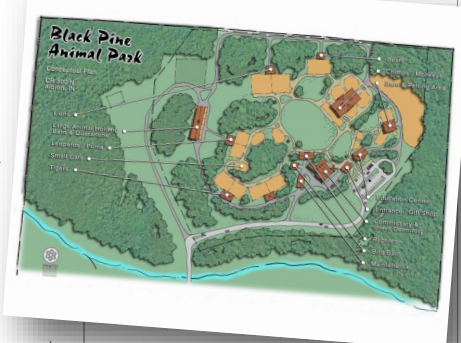
October 8

Howl O'Ween

October 29

Turkey Day

November 28



10 YEARS (CONTINUED)

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Over the past ten years, nearly 3,000 businesses and individuals have contributed to help us save and change lives. Nearly 140,000 guests have walked through the sanctuary and been touched by the personal stories told. Countless more have learned about our mission and been introduced to our residents through social media and outreach presentations.

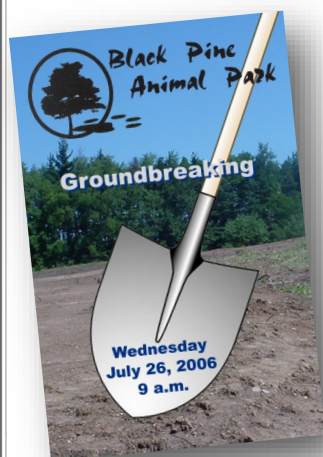
Over 800 volunteers and (unpaid) student interns have lent their time, talents, blood, sweat, and tears, and contributed over 140,000 hours of service to our mission.

As we celebrate our successes, we also grieve losses and remember those we couldn't help, and hope they all have found peace and respect.

Looking ahead, we are hopeful! We see the impact

of our work. We recognize a heightened awareness of the plight of captive-raised animals exploited for profit and entertainment, as evidenced by the number of news reports we see routinely in newspapers, on television, and shared on social media.

We thank you for your support! Thank you for raising your voices for the voiceless! Without you, there would be no Black Pine.



CHECK YOUR KROGER RECEIPTS—TIME TO RENEW?

Have you checked the bottom of your Kroger receipts lately?

If you don't see anything that confirms your 2016 Kroger Community Rewards are supporting BLACK PINE ANIMAL SANCTUARY, it's time to register or renew your charity of choice online!

Kroger Community Rewards is a free program

that enables you to choose a charity to support. The program costs you nothing, and Kroger will donate to our mission just for signing up to support us! We have received over \$2,000 each quarter, thanks to shoppers who chose us to support! Maybe you can help make that number grow!

Even if you have registered before, the program

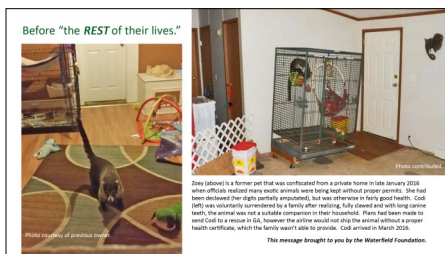
requires you to renew each year.

Check your receipts, and/or your profile, at www.kroger.com. Click on Community, then Community Rewards.

Call us at 260-636-7383 for help. Thank you! And tell Kroger thank you for us, too, when you shop to support the animals!



NEW SIGNS MADE POSSIBLE BY WATERFIELD FOUNDATION



Vinyl banners like these help introduce visitors to the animals at Black Pine.

Every animal resident at Black Pine has a story to tell. Now, we can share more stories with more guests thanks to a gift from the Waterfield Foundation!

A \$500 gift has funded the purchase of several new species-specific information signs, as well as a number

of new custom-designed banners that include photos of where animals lived prior to Black Pine, and a brief paragraph about their journeys.

This is just one more example of how your support helps us continue our mission to raise awareness and encourage responsible animal care.

Sharing these very personal stories helps lead people to making responsible decisions about how to avoid supporting commercial ventures that may place animals in harm's way, or reconsider what animal will become their next "pet".

Our thanks to the Waterfield Foundation for supporting our efforts!

NEW RELATIONSHIP EMERGES IN AVIARY

When temperatures warmed enough early this summer to begin introducing the parrots into shared space, we opened the windows that contained them and methodically let them explore the new outdoor aviary; first the Amazon parrots, then macaws.

Hagar, a blue and gold macaw, was among the second group introduced to the space. A few days later, we allowed the latest arrivals to

exit the building into the outdoor aviary. Admiral, another blue and gold macaw, wasn't very happy about sharing and retreated back indoors. But it didn't take Major, the scarlet macaw, very long to become infatuated with Hagar. Within a matter of hours the two were beginning to bond.

Fast forward a few weeks and the pair have become inseparable!

Macaws in the wild bond for life. Having the opportunity to find a companion in captivity is one of the best gifts we can hope to give them.



Hagar (left) and new best friend, Major (right) have "bonded" since they met.

MALIBU HAS A NEW HOUSE!

Malibu is a gray fox that was originally surrendered by her private owner in September 2012. Shortly after her arrival she was introduced to "Ozzie", one of three red foxes she would go on to live with in a spacious habitat.

Last spring, we had to move Malibu out of the red fox house because she and Roxy, a female red fox,

were not compatible. Subsequently, we sought to raise the funds necessary to build Malibu her own "private" habitat next door to the red foxes, near the bears and wolves.

We are happy to report that Malibu's new house was completed in early July, thanks to the generosity of Team Depot at the Auburn (IN) Home Depot, gifts

from the Marquelings, and additional funds raised through an online t-shirt fund raising sale.

Many thanks to all who contributed! Malibu is very happy.



Malibu has a new, larger habitat!



Black Pine Animal Sanctuary (PARC, Inc.) Endowment Fund

The purpose of the fund is to support the programs and activities of Black Pine Animal Sanctuary.

Donor Fund Story:

This fund was established in 2002 to benefit the Professional Animal Retirement Center (PARC), Inc., known locally as "Black Pine Animal Sanctuary" in Albion, Indiana which provides refuge to nearly 90 displaced, captive-raised exotic animals for the REST of their lives. They offer a variety of educational programs to enhance people's knowledge of exotic and endangered species, and to encourage responsible pet ownership. Black Pine Animal Sanctuary's focus is on providing a safe, enriching home while enabling visitors to observe the animals safely in an intimate, peaceful setting.

Your gift to our Endowment Fund at the Noble County Community Foundation will help sustain this mission beyond the rest of all of our lives!

Call 260-894-3335

www.noblecountycf.org

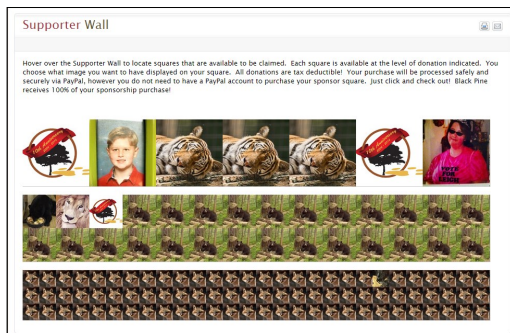
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Provide your clients with solid advice on charitable giving.

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Virtual Supporter Wall at
www.blackpine.org.

Do you love to brag about your favorite pet?

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Do you enjoy the opportunity to give a unique and meaningful gift?

Do you work for a business that values our mission and

supports our efforts?

You can now express yourself, and your support, by sponsoring a square on our Virtual Supporter Wall, a page on our website where your tribute will appear for the world to see!

You can customize your square, and size is based on your level of sponsorship.

Squares cost from \$25 to \$100 and will remain in

place once purchased—with no expiration date.

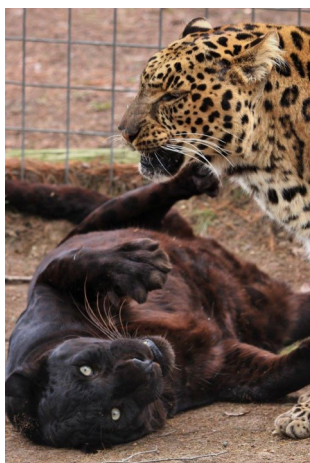
The wall is currently found at www.blackpine.org under “How to Help”.

All proceeds support our general operating budget to cover the cost of food, housing, cleaning supplies, medical care—all the expenses of routine animal care.

It's an easy way to get a little more “bang for your buck”!

WHAT'S NEXT?

Fall is one of the very best times to come visit the animals, with cooler mornings, and lower temperatures throughout the day. In addition to visitation daily through Labor Day, we will offer regularly scheduled visitation (no appointment necessary) weekends through the end of October. (All other visitation after Labor Day requires an appointment.) We also hope you'll enjoy these special events this fall!



Roar 'n' Snore - Saturday, September 10 SOLD OUT!

Lions, Tigers & Beer, Black Pine! - Saturday, October 8

Our 9th annual benefit beer tasting and silent auction will feature local brewers, micro-brew favorites, and more! Our annual silent auction is sure to offer something for everyone, too! Enjoy music, beer, food, and exploring the sanctuary. Tickets will go on sale August 1 for Park Pal members, and August 15 for the general public, at www.blackpine.org.

Howl O'Ween - Saturday, October 29

Visit from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. with your little ghosts and goblins and enjoy trick-or-treating throughout the sanctuary. Free for Park Pal members. Discounted admission for all.

Turkey Day - Saturday, November 26

Join keepers for an afternoon of fun for the carnivores as they deliver whole poultry (chickens and turkeys) in celebration of Thanksgiving! Open 1-4 p.m. Free for Park Pal members. General visitation rates apply to Non-Members.



NEW RESIDENTS (CONT'D)

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keeping exotic animals without the proper legal permits would go on to plead no contest to one count each of animal torture/killing.

The animals removed that day included wallabies, a bettong, several sugar gliders, a long-tailed macaque (Java) monkey, and a coatimundi. The latter two, Joe and Zoey, were given refuge at Black Pine where they continue to reside today.

Our veterinary and animal care teams have addressed a variety of health concerns since Joe and Zoey arrived. The most serious issue affects Joe. He suffers Type 1 (insulin dependent) diabetes.

Keepers are working daily with Joe in hopes of conditioning the primate to endure regular glucose checks and to ultimately allow insulin injections. A very strict diet plan has been adopted to help Joe gain weight. The road ahead is beyond difficult, and we appreciate your support to help us meet his special needs.

Zoey was treated for internal parasites and has been adjusting well.

Recently, she was introduced to another new resident, Codi, a male coatimundi neutered soon after his arrival.

Codi was surrendered by a private owner who kept the animal as a household pet until realizing how potentially dangerous he could be to a young person living in the home. Zoey and Codi are

now sharing a habitat and



Codi (left) and Zoey are coatimundis that coincidentally needed permanent refuge within a few weeks of one another. Zoey arrived first, in late January, and Codi came to us in March. When Zoey was accepted, keepers intended to introduce her to Bandit, an elderly male coati that lived at the sanctuary for many years. Sadly, Bandit was given a peaceful end of life in late February when diagnosed with a fast-growing, inoperable tumor (cancer) in his lower jaw and neck region. Bandit lived a long happy life.

doing well.

A new outdoor habitat was completed for Joe in July. His new space was made possible by a generous gift from the late Corliss Decker. Corliss was a volunteer at Black Pine for several years, until her health took a turn. She lost her long battle with cancer recently, and just hours before she passed away we visited her and received her “last wish” - a gift for the animals.

Animals were very important in Corliss’s life. We miss our ally and friend, and look forward to honoring her memory by helping to save and change more lives—lives like that of Joe.

In May, we met yet another new resident. Timber, a three-year-old mountain lion, once lived at Hueston Woods State Park in Ohio. When laws changed in the Buckeye state in 2014, park officials opted to surrender the cat to be placed permanently in an approved sanctuary.

Timber, we are thrilled to say, has all of his claws and is a beautiful, healthy cat. We are happy to provide him a forever home. He is now a new neighbor to Joey and Johnny, cougar brothers who have lived at Black Pine since 2010.



Timber, in his new home.



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