



Monkey Business

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Jungle Friends Welcomes Molly!

Molly is a spider monkey who arrived at Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary on September 5, 2016. Molly lived in Colorado with a human family for 27 years.

Molly wore diapers around the house, until she made it clear (with an attack) to her guardian that she wasn't going to wear diapers any longer. It was with much sadness that Molly's human family realized she needed to move to a home better suited for monkeys... A place like Jungle Friends.

April Truitt, Founder of Primate Rescue Center, was in charge of Molly's travel arrangements. Molly traveled first class in a private plane to Gainesville. April also offered matching funds up to \$5,000 for Molly's new habitat and care!

Molly was released from her travel crate into an indoor enclosure with access to a large runway leading to a spacious habitat. She quickly investigated the runway leading outside and seemed to really appreciate the fresh air, sun and even the humans welcoming her to her new home. Molly was not shy about checking out her new digs. She climbed up to the top of her 15 ft. high habitat and then grabbed a rope to swing on. She was even using the trapeze with the greatest of ease! She investigated every inch of her spacious habitat, climbing into the barrel, walking on the rope ladder and using the Jungle Gyms! It was wonderful to see how outgoing she was, and to hear the happy sounds inherent to spider monkeys.



In carrier headed to Jungle Friends.



Molly arrives at Jungle Friends.



Saying goodnight.



On the trapeze.



Drinking from the lixit.

A Note from the Founder



Kari with Co-Founder Samantha, a white-faced capuchin.

At Jungle Friends, we help monkeys. We provide a permanent home for monkeys in need, a place where they can heal from past abuses and thrive in their new life.

During Jungle Friends' early years, most of our sanctuary residents were monkeys who had become too aggressive or ill to be kept as "pets." The exotic pet trade still fuels an ongoing need for sanctuary homes. We continue to offer homes and rehabilitative care to these monkeys, and advocate against breeding and selling monkeys.

In recent years, there has been a shift with an increasing number of monkeys coming out of research laboratories. It is a welcome trend that universities are opting for sanctuary retirement rather than euthanasia for monkeys used in biomedical research—and even better that some universities are discontinuing primate research altogether!

As Jungle Friends continues to grow in stature, as well as size, we are excited and grateful to be able to help a growing sphere of monkeys in need, as well as provide effective advocacy. The larger our voice, the greater will be our impact to help the monkeys who are still suffering.

In 2014, we provided a home to 42 monkeys from research. In 2015, thanks to your support, we were able to more than double that—accepting 90 monkeys from laboratories, and 8 more monkeys arrived in January 2016 from another laboratory.

Still, there is much more to be done. There are so many monkeys waiting to be released from laboratory research, so many on our waiting list for a sanctuary home, so many more calls we will receive in the coming years. Fortunately, with the 2014 land expansion, Jungle Friends now has room to grow.

As you are reading this, thousands of monkeys are still suffering in the lab. With your help, many more monkeys can move from a small steel cage to a new, "Almost-Wild" sanctuary life.

I hope you will enjoy the stories, pictures, and successes we present here, for they are yours. It is thanks to the work, compassion and generous gifts of our supporters that these monkey miracles are possible. With your help, we will continue to bring these monkeys safely home.



Samantha grooms Charlotte.

About Jungle Friends



Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary is a 501(c)3 nonprofit located in Gainesville, FL. Founded by Kari Bagnall and incorporated in 1997. Jungle Friends provides permanent, high-quality sanctuary care for monkeys who have been abused, confiscated by authorities, used in research, kept as "pets" or who are simply no longer wanted.

Jungle Friends cares for the individual medical, psychological and behavioral needs of the monkeys by protecting and providing them with a safe, healthy and stimulating environment for life. We can't give them back the wild, so we give them an "Almost-Wild" life!

The greatest demand for sanctuary care right now is for monkeys being released from research laboratories. We are actively engaged with our animal welfare and advocacy partners. We are accredited by the Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries (GFAS) and an active member of the North American Primate Sanctuary Alliance (NAPSA).

Former Pets and Abandoned Monkeys Find Sanctuary

We receive constant requests to take in monkeys from precarious situations; we have a waiting list of monkeys looking for sanctuary homes. Meet some of the lucky monkeys who found a home at Jungle Friends in 2015 and 2016.



April
"Flirty Girl"



Max
"Adventurous"



Kiefer
"Survivor"



Quinn
"Young at Heart"



Penny
"Fun Loving"



Dexter
"Wild Man"



Cuzco
"Rambunctious"



Bobo
"Fearless"



Mongo
"Curious"



Jasper
"Playful"



Chiquita
"Sweet"



Molly Too
"Happy"

January 6, 2015: **April** and **Max** arrived after spending over 2 decades in chains and diapers, driving from state to state performing at fairs and carnivals. All of their teeth had been extracted.

April 4: **Kiefer** came to us when he was abandoned in an apartment without food or water, but Kiefer is a survivor! He met Raya at the sanctuary and is living a full monkey life.

June 4: **Quinn**, a 20-year-old marmoset, arrived due to the death of his guardian. Quinn is doing great, always busy; however, he seems to prefer to live alone.

June 28: **Penny** came to us after she was confiscated. The authorities found her listed for sale on Craigslist in Kentucky where pet monkeys are illegal. Penny enjoys her new friendship with BoBo.

July 4: **Dexter** showed up unexpectedly at our gate. He was just a baby—worried and frightened. Now Dexter lives the good life with his monkey companion Zaira.

September 22: **Cuzco** and his family were captured in South America heading to China when the illegal shipment was discovered; Cuzco was the only surviving member of his family.

November 15: **BoBo** was a Christmas present to a teenager in Pennsylvania, where monkeys are illegal. Jungle Friends was contacted and now BoBo lives with his new friend Penny.

March 5, 2016: **Mongo** was left at a rest stop in Pennsylvania where he was nearly starving and very frightened. With plenty of good food and encouragement from the transport team, Mongo made it to Jungle Friends where he became best of friends with April.

September 5: **Molly** lived in Colorado with a human family for 27 years until she decided she no longer wanted to wear diapers! Molly was relocated to Jungle Friends — a home better suited for naked monkeys.

October 1: **Jasper** is an infant squirrel monkey who was traded in a car deal and then given to a teenager as a gift. Baby monkeys need to be with other monkeys, so a family friend found Jungle Friends where he lives with Chi Chi.

October 15: **Chiquita** is 43 years old and lived in a small wire cage for 25 years until her guardian died. His children wanted Chiquita to have a better life with other monkeys. Now she lives at Jungle Friends with Puchi!

Loving Them to Death

by CJ Bain

Can a human raise a baby monkey just as well as a monkey can? Ask Tessa and BamBam.

In 2008, Jungle Friends was scrambling to save the lives of two young capuchin monkeys. Each faced a different threat, bound with a common thread. Each was purchased and raised as a surrogate child by a human family.

The sale of non-human primates as surrogate children is a booming business, with hundreds of people each year literally buying into the lie. The exotic animal breeder pockets the profit, an infant monkey is torn screaming from her natural mother's arms, and another human "monk mom" has a cute, hairy baby to bathe and diaper and dress up.

The phenomenon of people 'adopting' monkeys is not new, but the current growth of this trend alarms Kari Bagnall, founder and director of Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary. The sanctuary is currently home to just under 300 monkeys and Kari knows from long experience that in a few short years many of today's new 'monkey parents' will be begging her or another sanctuary to give their 'child' a home.

So it was for the self-styled "mom" of Tessa, a four-year-old diabetic brown capuchin. Type 2 diabetes, caused by a poor diet, stress and inactivity, is common in 'pet' monkeys, but Tessa's diabetes was not diagnosed until she was near death: her blood glucose had skyrocketed to 1120.

It was a race to get Tessa's glucose under control in time to save her life. Kari coached Tessa's guardian through the intensive process of establishing an insulin regimen and monitoring her progress until she was well enough to travel to Jungle Friends.



Tessa nearly died before her diabetes was diagnosed.



A good diet, exercise and monkey friends — what a difference it makes!

Unlike some of the other diabetics at Jungle Friends—such as Connie, a capuchin who has received daily insulin injections since 1999—Tessa was young and resilient enough to rebound from the unnatural lifestyle that almost killed her. Health problems, such as diabetes and metabolic bone disease are common among "pet" monkeys. With a proper diet and plenty of fun and exercise, Tessa was soon weaned off of insulin and is having the time of her life romping and wrestling with other young monkeys at Jungle Friends.

More common is the trouble with BamBam, a weeper capuchin also purchased as a surrogate child. BamBam bites. Biting and scratching are natural behaviors for a monkey, but are not acceptable in a human family. In 2006, when she was only a year old, BamBam's biting landed her in a 30-day quarantine. After her release, she was bounced from home to home as a result of the guardian's personal problems. She was finally confiscated late in 2007 following another biting incident. BamBam was held at Animal Control in Minnesota for five months, facing a death sentence. Fortunately for BamBam, she found a home at Jungle Friends before her time ran out.

Although the stories end happily for Tessa and BamBam, there are many others not so fortunate. Too many times Kari hears of a monkey who was killed due to biting a family member, friend or stranger. Others are bounced from home to home over the course of many years, and still more die of disease and heartbreak.

Only the concerted efforts of many caring individuals—fighting to pass protective legislation, opening and supporting sanctuaries, sharing with others the true cruelty and deception inherent in the exotic pet trade—can stem the swelling tide of primate exploitation.

Let monkeys raise monkeys in the wild freedom that is their birthright.



Now that she's allowed to live like a monkey at Jungle Friends, BamBam's sweet disposition has made her a favorite with staff and volunteers.

The Tragedy of Captive Monkeys

It's not hard to understand why monkeys are so appealing as "pets," given their playful nature and ability to form strong bonds with humans. But many people who believe that monkeys would make a good "pet" soon realize they have made a terrible mistake.

The first wrong is stealing a baby from their mother's arms, as early as 3 days old, and still nursing. Most captive monkeys are kept isolated from other monkeys. They become lonely, depressed, and even aggressive. Captive monkeys stereotypic behaviors are a result of their psychological pain—repetitive rocking, compulsive hair pulling, digit sucking, self grasping and self attacking. Self-inflicted wounds can lead to infection and as in Jersey's case, require amputation. These issues are by no means rare: A direct-observation study in 2011 of 40 primates in varying conditions of captivity found abnormal, harmful behavior in every single monkey under observation.



Sammy—Rare Cancer



Baby Udi—Metabolic Bone Disease



Wendell—Blind from Diabetes



Mario—Digit Sucking



Jersey—Amputee

Our priority is to provide care to address the individual medical, psychological and behavioral needs of these captive primates. We provide the monkeys in our care the opportunity to live full lives. In the event of a debilitating, painful and/or incurable illness, we hold fast to the hospice philosophy.

Welcome Signs of Shifting Beliefs

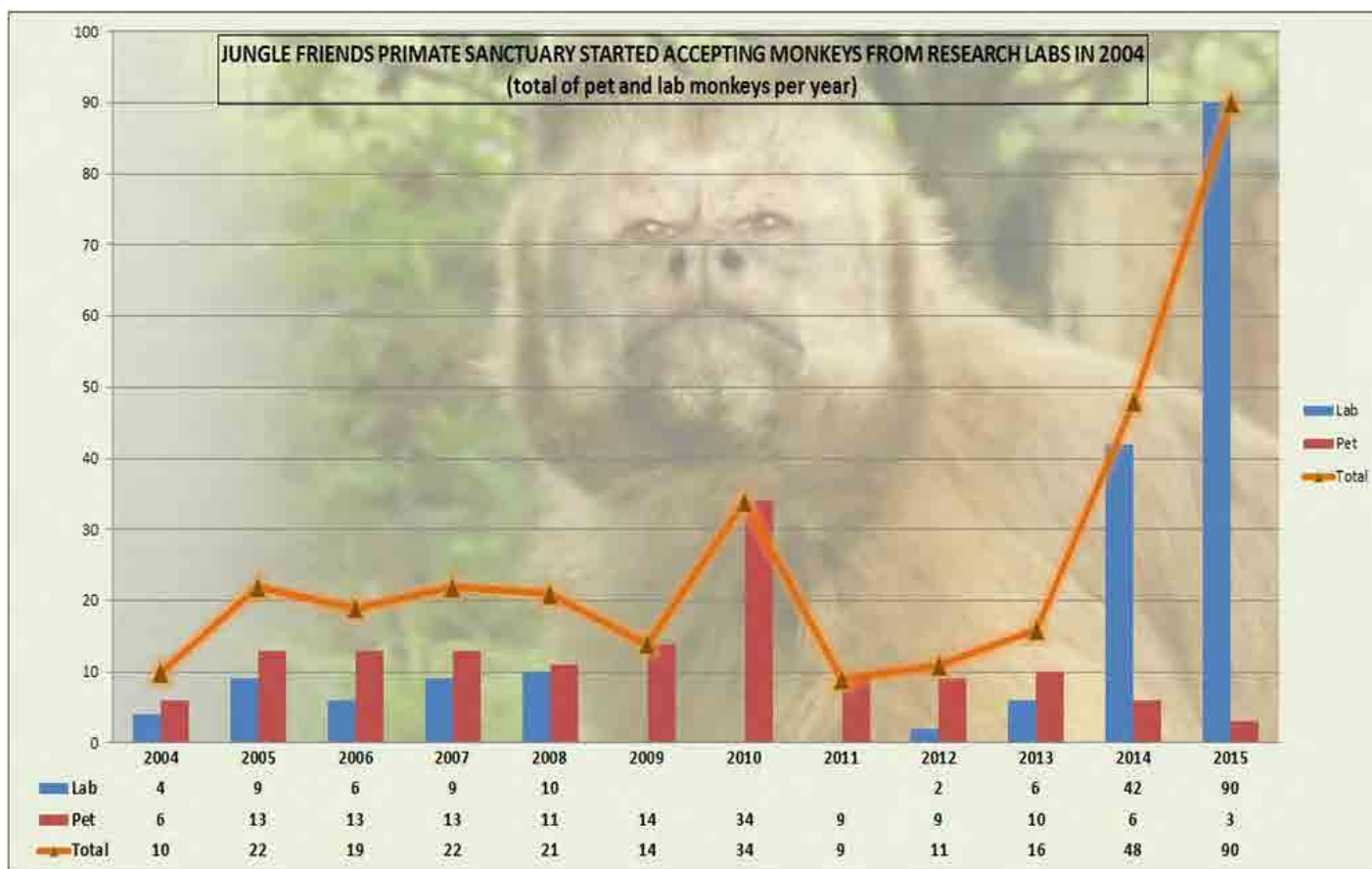
In 2015 we provided homes to 90 monkeys released from research!

These monkeys came from a life spent in the laboratory, “home” was a steel cage and contact with other monkeys was limited or non-existent. The release of these monkeys sends welcome signals of shifting beliefs about the fate of monkeys used in research.

Habitat construction for 33 cotton-top tamarins began in February. On April 22, 2015 we welcomed the monkeys who were released from a university that closed its primate research center. This new group of tamarins joined 31 others who were released from the same university in 2014. To accommodate the newly retired monkeys we created “**CottonTopolis.**”

Shortly after the cotton-tops arrived we had to switch gears and prepare for 57 squirrel monkeys. The University gave us only four months! This was quite a feat; we started with a pasture of land—no trees and no power or water. Jungle Friends staff made it happen creating a beautiful new home for the squirrel monkeys, which we named “**Emerald City.**”

In October the call we had been waiting for finally came, the remaining 8 capuchin monkeys from iron-toxicity studies were being released! They would join the other 12 capuchins from the same study who had been released to the sanctuary between 2005 and 2013. We built them beautiful new habitats next to the others in “**The Land of Oz.**”



Note the exponential increase in monkeys released from research in 2014 and 2015.

Cottontopolis, Emerald City, The Land of Oz



Rosa and Timber are learning how to negotiate their new habitat.



"Cottontopolis"
Home to 33 cotton-top tamarins.



Scout, Eve and Betsey are having a great time exploring Emerald City.



"Emerald City"
Home to 63 squirrel monkeys.



After living all alone in the lab, Bocefus and Booger met at Jungle Friends!



"The Land of Oz"
Home to 25 capuchin monkeys.

A Journey From Research to Retirement

By Veronika Blanco, Apprentice

Jungle Friends was blessed with the arrival of 8 male capuchin monkeys, the last group of monkeys from the iron-toxicity studies. I had the honor of working and watching them evolve as their environment changed. When they arrived everyone expected them to be fearful and aggressive; however, to our surprise (and my luck) we received 8 angels.

I felt incredibly sad imagining what life had been like for these boys in the lab. They were experimented on, had no sun and no physical contact with their own species. I did everything I could to ease their transition. Since they arrived in the winter, we had to keep them in their original lab cages inside our Bob Barker Medical Clinic for 4 months. This gave us time to slowly adapt them to new people, new environment, new food, and gave us the necessary time to build and prepare their fabulous outdoor habitats. Every day I was there I fell more in love and knowing them has been one of my life's greatest pleasures.



As time went by, I noticed big changes in the boys. They became even more sweet and trusting of me and others that came in to say hello. By mid-April, the habitats were ready and the weather was warming up. It was time to introduce them to their "Almost-Wild" homes.

Everyone at Jungle Friends was nervous and excited and helped with the long-awaited move. One by one each monkey went into their large, naturalistic habitat. Every boy was finally experiencing fresh air, sunshine and grass. I still shed tears of joy when I think about that first day. Watching them running, swinging, sun bathing and trying to catch bugs.

They are finally free to be monkeys! They are playing, grooming and yelling at their neighbors. Most of the boys have gained weight, they all have beautiful tans and monkey friends. Those who came with missing fur are actually growing it back! It has been amazing to experience each monkey's transformation—I truly love these boys!



Link is a great explorer with lots of energy and is considered the most handsome in Oz. He and Leo are best buddies.



Bocefus is very large and strong with a personality to match! He enjoys playing with his best friend Booger.



Booger is a gentle soul. He is the largest of all the boys and loves ALL food. He and Bocefus have become best of friends.



Einstein, like his name suggests, is very clever and crafty! He is a great forager and loves bananas and bugs.



Catman is the oldest of all the Ironmen. He is playful and gentle and goes crazy over peanuts! He and Golden Child are best buds.



Goldenchild is very sweet and loves laying in the sun. He enjoys eating and playing with his new friend Catman.



Silly Willy is very playful and loves PB&J sandwiches. He enjoys grooming sessions with his new friend Chewy.



Chewy was the first to lipsmack with staff. He loves peanut butter on everything and enjoys grooming Silly Willy.

The Motley Crew—Love at First Sight

By Tyler Myers, Intern

My first experience with Jungle Friends was in the summer of 2013. Being one of my first opportunities to work with monkeys, I wasn't sure what to expect. However, I instantly fell in love with the charismatic monkeys, as well as my fellow carestaff. I specifically remember meeting one of the capuchins, Dumbo, who was in a group of 5 very rowdy boys dubbed the "Motley Crew." It was love at first sight for me with Dumbo. His overt flirting and round belly cracked me up.

Upon returning for my second internship in the summer of 2016, I was overwhelmed by the vast expansion Jungle Friends had made while I was away. I quickly found out that the "Land of Oz" was the place for me! Not only because Dumbo had been relocated there with his friend Loopy, but also because I got the chance to work with squirrel monkeys, which I previously was not able to do very often. Hearing their sweet chatter when I entered "Emerald City" always warmed my heart, as well as the doting ear waggles from Michael. The amazing monkeys and the commitment of the carestaff affirms my decision to reunite with my Jungle Friends upon graduation in the upcoming year.



Tyler Myers—Intern

Volunteering at a Vegan Sanctuary

By Lynn Risor, Volunteer



David and Lynn Risor—Our "Top Bananas!"

The first time my husband and I heard of Jungle Friends was when we were living in New Mexico. While planning our move to Gainesville, Rae Sikora, a friend of ours told us when we got here we just had to go to Jungle Friends. My introduction to Jungle Friends was Sponsor Safari on April 18, 2015. I emailed Kari asking if I could volunteer that morning, and she replied by asking, "How fast can you get here?!" Since then, I never looked back. I told my husband David that he had to volunteer with me. He too, was hooked.

Working with Kari and the Jungle Friends staff and other volunteers is amazing and rewarding. We clean habitats, prep food, and clean up the monkeys' indoor quarters. It's definitely hard work but we laugh and have fun along the way.

The most rewarding, of course, is that you are helping the monkeys, who each have their own story and unique personalities. I find it incredible for some of them who have had such sad pasts, that after coming to Jungle Friends and being treated with compassion, their personalities emerge and they are so happy. We not only physically volunteer, but we have the privilege of sponsoring Puchi, a one-eyed capuchin who holds a special place in our hearts.



Puchi

Jungle Friends, a vegan-run sanctuary, has also embraced the vegan community in Gainesville by opening the doors to host potlucks with film screenings. We are currently involved in helping plan the 2017 Vegan Spiritual Retreat that will be held at Jungle Friends on April 1, 2017. Most of all, Jungle Friends has given us many an opportunity to speak to others about the abuse and neglect inherent in the exotic pet trade and laboratory conditions. We hope someday humans will come to realize what they are doing to animals regarding the entertainment industry, exotic pet trade, laboratory research and food industries. Until that day, Jungle Friends will be there for the monkeys!

Munchkinland Growing

By Lindsey Jean, Callitrichid Manager



Lindsey Jean, "Mayor of Munchkinland"

Munchkinland, home to Jungle Friends' nearly 100 tamarins and marmosets, sure has grown since I started at Jungle Friends. Over the last couple years, we've taken in a whopping 64 cotton-top tamarins after their release from laboratory research. Considering that there were only about 35 monkeys in Munchkinland before their arrival, that's a lot! While that kind of growth has come with its challenges, it pales in comparison to the joy of watching so many monkeys experience an "Almost-Wild" life for the first time.

I will never forget watching Norman and Alanna try to go through their outdoor runway, only to walk face-first into a spider web! These days though, every last one of those monkeys will happily run up and down their runways, not even flinching when they take a spider web to the face. I can't tell you how happy it makes me to see these monkeys embracing their new life so fully!

It hasn't been all about the cotton-tops in Munchkinland, though. Kiefer was one of our many new arrivals last year. This poor little marmoset was found by a cleaning crew in an apartment a few days after the family had moved out. Lucky for him, they contacted Jungle Friends and fortunately we had the space to take him in. He took to his new home right away and never ceases to amaze me with

his high-energy acrobatics. We struggled quite a bit to find a good partner for him. We tried him with a few different single marmosets, but none were a great match. Finally, we introduced him to Raya, a four-year-old marmoset released from research whose partner had recently passed. To our delight, it was love at first sight for those two monkeys. I love watching the two of them fly around their habitat together. Playing matchmaker is one of the most satisfying parts of my work here at Jungle Friends, and nothing compares to the satisfaction of helping two single monkeys find happiness together.



Norman and Alanna Cotton—Top Tamarins



Kiefer and Raya—Marmosets

Squirrelville—Then and Now

By Sara Q. Smith, Assistant to Executive Director

In 2001, Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary had an event called Jungle Jamboree to promote awareness, which my husband and I attended. We learned that Kari Bagnall had created a sanctuary for monkeys. Kari told us how she had started in Nevada, but when some of the monkeys in her care were having health issues due to the dry climate, she resolved to move to a more suitable location. With a leap of faith, she sold everything she had and raised money to move to Gainesville. She managed to talk a pilot into flying her monkeys from Las Vegas to Florida after she found the perfect property.

I have always loved animals, but only had experience with cats, dogs and birds. When I mentioned to Kari that I would volunteer sometime, she said ‘How about Saturday?’ I started volunteering weekly to chop fruits and vegetables. At that time there were 21 capuchins and 2 spider monkeys. The monkeys stole my heart. I continued to volunteer as I watched Jungle Friends grow. In August 2004, 4 squirrel monkeys who were released from research arrived: Buddy Boy, Gilbert, Howard and Moses. The monkeys lived in the same building where I chopped their produce, so Kari asked me to find out what their favorite foods were. Getting to know their likes and dislikes endeared them to me.



Sarah with two squirrel monkeys.

In February 2005, Kari offered me the opportunity to work for Jungle Friends. By then Jungle Friends had taken in more monkeys and there were more than 40 residents when I started as staff. I knew the names of about a dozen of them. She told me when she hired me that I had to learn all of their names. This is important in order to keep records of behavior or health problems. In March, 4 more squirrel monkeys, Bowser, Herbie, Kilroy, and Skeeter were released from the same lab and I gravitated toward their care. These monkeys were used in cocaine studies. There is a special place in my heart for monkeys who spent years in laboratory research.

In 2007 a squirrel monkey named Simon was brought to us. He had been biting customers in his role as a pet shop display. Simon was used to attention and is quite animated. Seeing him catch bugs or pull out a bamboo leaf and eat it, is neat.

Later that year, 4 more squirrel monkeys were released from the same lab as the other 8. Michael, Ringo, Joey and Earl had been bred and purchased for research, but the project was canceled and they narrowly escaped being sold to another lab. Two more squirrel monkeys, Louie and Chi Chi, both who had been purchased as “pets,” joined the Jungle Friends troop in 2012.



Simon loves running around catching bugs!



Chi Chi and Jasper share a grape.

Chi Chi, was in the troop and was always crabby. On July 1, 2015 Chi Chi’s life was about to get better. You see, in the wild, the females live with the other females and the kids and the boys are on the outskirts doing their own thing guarding the perimeter. At Jungle Friends, Chi Chi lived with boys.

When 38 female squirrel monkeys arrived (along with 19 males). Chi Chi was in for a surprise. We had been building and preparing for the arrival of the newly released monkeys for months. We built an area for the males and a separate area for the females. We settled the new monkeys into their new digs before we moved our 10 squirrel monkeys from Jody’s Jungle over to their new area, Emerald City. When we moved Chi Chi she was so excited to see a building full of females.

As a former species isolated “pet,” Chi Chi didn’t have social skills and hadn’t made any advances toward any of the females. Fortunately for Chi Chi we offered a home to a baby squirrel monkey named Jasper who was only 12 weeks old. We introduced the two and they have been playing and chasing each other ever since.

An Alternative to Death

By Carla Haddix, Volunteer Veterinarian

Driving along a tree-lined stretch of Hwy. 121 north of Gainesville, FL, you pass a non-descript parcel of land as seemingly ordinary as the adjacent small farms—but, it's a jungle in there! It's Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary.

Unique among primate sanctuaries, Jungle Friends cares for many special-needs monkeys. Kari avails herself of the expertise of local veterinarians, as well as the College of Veterinary Medicine at the nearby University of Florida, and spares no expense caring for the elderly, psychologically traumatized, blind, amputees and diabetic monkeys who enjoy life at Jungle Friends; many whom were slated for euthanasia.

Changing attitudes, and the natural affinity humans have for other species so like ourselves, are leading modern researchers to seek better ways to retire their monkeys. For a fortunate few, Jungle Friends provides an alternative to death, for monkeys who have already given their lives to research.

And what an alternative! From years, often decades, inside a steel cage in a basement laboratory—to seeing the sky for the first time, feeling the warm Florida sun and the growing grass underfoot, perching high up in real trees, relishing a large variety of delicious fresh foods, socializing and grooming with other monkeys, swinging and climbing and leaping with abandon! These heartwarming scenes happen again and again at Jungle Friends, and why I continue to volunteer week after week.



Dr. Carla Haddix

Monkey Health Care



Kari and Dr. Schirmer hold Scooter and Max as they wake from procedures.

Many of the Jungle Friends monkeys arrive with health issues. We have diabetic monkeys, geriatric monkeys, monkeys with auto-immune disease, cancer, amputees, metabolic bone disease, dental problems as well as a host of psychiatric disorders.

Fortunately, our veterinarians, Dr. Carla Haddix and Dr. Fred Schirmer, have been diligently helping us with these issues. There is a lot of work in keeping monkeys healthy. Dr. Haddix volunteers her time every Tuesday morning and West End Animal Hospital offers discounts to help us.

With a generous grant received from Bob Barker, we expanded our ability to provide medical care right here at the sanctuary in our new Bob Barker Medical Clinic. Caring for the monkeys onsite greatly decreases the stress for the monkeys and also reduces our expenses.



Dr. Carla Haddix holds Nick.



Dr. Daryl Heard and Dr. Carla Haddix vasectomizing UGA Boys in the Bob Barker Clinic.

Donations to our Monkey Medical Fund are used for ongoing medical expenses including veterinary care and medical supplies. Please consider showing some Monkey Love by making a donation to our Monkey Medical Fund today! Visit www.junglefriends.org and click How You Can Help.



Scooter in surgery at West End Animal Hospital.

Monkey Miracles

Jungle Friends is one of the few sanctuaries in the United States with the training and expertise to care for special-needs monkeys. Whether the monkeys suffer from diabetes, paraplegia or are blind, it doesn't matter—Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary offers individualized care! Often-times we take in monkeys that other organizations are unable or unwilling to help. Our habitats enable us to make changes where appropriate to accommodate disabilities. We invest time and money in “lost causes,” and time and time again watch those who are deemed hopeless transform into vibrant, healthy, happy monkeys.



Jersey (above) is a former “pet” monkey whose self-mutilation due to loneliness and stress resulted in the amputation of his left leg and most of his right foot. With several months of round-the-clock care Jersey achieved a miraculous recovery at Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary. Jersey now walks and climbs using his tail in the place of his right leg. It is hard to tell Jersey is missing a leg!



**When a ruptured disc left Bongo suddenly paralyzed from the waist down, vets told us that he would never recover and advised euthanasia. At Jungle Friends our motto is “never give up” — we gave Bongo a chance, and after a few months in a specially designed ReHabitat and tender loving care by his companion, KC, Bongo is not only walking, he is running and climbing!
A true Monkey Miracle!**

Advocacy in Action

By Megan Stark, Sanctuary Manager



Kari briefs Congress about the Captive Primate Safety Act.

In order to better speak for all animals, Jungle Friends created an **Outreach and Advocacy Committee** comprised of staff, interns and volunteers. So far, 2016 has been a doozy of a year for our new advocacy team.



Megan in DC with 100s of letters in support of Captive Primate Safety Act.

At the top of our agenda is garnering support for **H.R 2920: The Captive Primate Safety Act (CPSA)**. This act would ban all interstate transport of non-human primates for private commerce - this would be a huge blow against the exotic pet trade. About half of our nearly 300 monkeys were victims of this cruel industry-stealing babies from moms. It's up to Jungle Friends, other sanctuaries and our supporters to demonstrate our support for this common-sense legislation. Jungle Friends cares about this bill so much that both Kari and I went to Washington, D.C. on different occasions to speak to Congress about the importance of this bill.



Megan speaks to Kathleen Connee-VP of HSUS at TFAA Conference.

During my trip to DC, I also attended a 3-day conference called **Taking Action For Animals**. There, I was able to network with countless other animal-loving individuals, speak with animal rights/welfare organizations and attend workshops teaching essential advocacy skills.



Bob Ingersol of Project Nim with our staff at Van Clan Conference Center.

Jungle Friends has been to University of Florida to educate students about the work we do. I have also restarted our **Humane Education** program to teach children about animals, nature, and how to live environmentally friendly lives. We will be busy with even more visits to classrooms and campuses this school year.

We have been utilizing our new **Van Clan Conference Center** donated by Gayle Van Hezewyk for screenings, guest speakers and meetings! So far we have screened *Project Nim*, *Cowspiracy*, *Vegan Everyday Stories* and *The Elephant in the Living Room*. These screenings are possible thanks to our partnership with local Veg Meet-Up groups. Next screening is *Unlocking the Cage*.



Van Clan Conference Center donated by Gayle Van Hezewyk.

Jungle Friends is teaming up with a number of animal rights and welfare organizations to fight against the **"Banana Derby"** and other inhumane **"Monkey Rodeo"** shows. Because our voice spoke out, our county commission requested that **all** future animal acts be brought to them in advance, so they can approve or reject them. Banana Derby was rejected!



Kari speaks to our County Commission about the Banana Derby.

Hurricane Season

As predicted, we have had a very active hurricane season! Even though everyone was safe and dry during the hurricanes, we have been very busy preparing for future storms. We learned a lot during hurricane threats, what we can improve on, and what we need for future storms.

It takes a Village! With the help of our fantastic volunteers and staff we positioned the cages in our block buildings. Bob Barker Medical Clinic and the Van Clan Conference Center are lined with cages, and during Hurricane Matthew—the cages were full of monkeys who were kept safe and dry and out of harms way.



When we are in the cone—we move monkeys!



I think we need a bigger door!



Van Clan Conference Center



Bob Barker Medical Clinic



Safe capture and release.



Monkey movers.



Safe keeping.



All in their cages.



Monkey checks.



Hydration is important.

With your help, we can be better prepared for the next big storm. Thank you in advance for your contributions to our **Hurricane Fund**.

Generator: Bob Barker Medical Clinic	\$11,051
Large Double Door: Van Clan Conference Center	\$2,594
New Roof at Van Clan Conference Center	\$9,875
Regrade Driveway to Van Clan Conference Center	\$8,000
Concrete Slabs: Bob Barker Medical Clinic & Van Clan Conference Center	\$1,840
GRAND TOTAL:	\$33,360

How You Can Help

SPONSOR A MONKEY!



Sponsor Baby Jasperr!

Friend of the Jungle	\$10 per month
Monkey Lover	\$25 per month
Primate Protector	\$50 per month
Guardian	\$100 per month

All sponsors receive a certificate, monkey photo and original monkey art. Sponsors also receive invites to Jungle Friends events.

Your contributions provide food, shelter and loving care for the Jungle Friends monkeys day after day, month after month.



Sponsor Certificate



Sponsor Dexter!



Original Monkey Art

Where do your generous donations go?

- \$ 35 Buys 15 pounds of peanuts, the monkeys' favorite treat.
- \$ 85 Purchases fresh produce for one day.
- \$ 127 Buys insulin and supplies for 2 weeks for a diabetic monkey.
- \$ 811 Pays the utility bill for one week in the winter.
- \$6,000 Builds a squirrel monkey or marmoset/tamarin habitat.
- \$7,500 Builds a capuchin or spider monkey habitat.



Ebi enjoys eating his walnuts.

With your commitment to the monkeys, belief in our mission and your contributions, we will make a better life for every monkey who calls Jungle Friends home.

More Ways You Can Help

Volunteer With Us!

Our volunteers and interns are very special people. They help with everything from preparing the monkeys' food to building habitats. Our intern program requires a commitment to live and work onsite for at least 6 weeks up to a year. For volunteers, we only require a four-hour commitment and a good attitude. Volunteers must be at least 18 years old or be accompanied by a parent. Join us to help with the day's projects and chores. You can find more information and applications under 'How you can Help' on our website.



Jungle Friends survives on Volunteer Power! Sign up to be a volunteer or intern now.



Shop online through AmazonSmile!

Start your shopping at smile.amazon.com and Amazon will donate a percentage of your purchase to the charity of your choice. Select Jungle Friends and we will automatically receive a percentage of your perfect. What could be better than shopping AND supporting monkeys!



Artwork of a Primate Persuasion

Monkey artists are stepping up and challenging human abstract artists. Our featured artists are Samantha and Charlotte, Jungle Friends co-founders, Puchi, everyone's favorite, and Kilroy, the only squirrel monkey who enjoys creating works of art. For \$100 donation the monkeys will create an original painting just for you!

These monkey masterpieces make great gifts!



Samantha and Charlotte—Sisterly Love



Puchi—Cosmic Rainbows



Kilroy—Help From My Friends



Special Events

From Hollywood to Canada

Kari attended the premier of *Sanctuary* at Paramount Pictures in Hollywood October 21, 2016 with Erika Fleury, NAPSA's program manager. It was an exciting evening and an amazing screening with all our likeminded friends. *Sanctuary* shows you a wondrous world where humans have given everything to save the lives of these used, abused, unwanted and abandoned animals and given them a second chance. This is a story of innocent lives interrupted by tragedy, but inspired by heroes and hope. Meet Puchi, Chucky, Jimmy Sr., Chaac & Bali—each of their stories touches us in a different way.



Joyce Keither, Gene Blalock, Kari, Andria Chamberlin, and Shannon Keith.



Author Michael Slusher, *They All Had Eyes*, and Kari on the red carpet.



Key figures in the film answers questions after the premiere.

We have been busy traveling from Canada to Hollywood! Private fundraisers, North American Primate Sanctuary Alliance (NAPSA) Workshop, Monkey Day, Florida Veg Fests, Vegan Retreats, Animal Rights Conferences, World Veg Festival in San Francisco, as well as many local events, meet ups, fundraisers and presentations.



Lisa Grand and Andrew Grant held a Jungle Friends Fundraiser in Ottawa, Canada.



Kari at Animal Rights National Conference.



Megan on the panel Emptying the Cages—NAPSA Workshop.



Kari and Lexie attend the UF Community Campaign.



Kari & Victoria Moran at Vegan Retreat in Tallahassee.



Kari at NAPSA Workshop.



Kari, Amy Caplan and Sara Smith at World Veg Festival in San Francisco.

Upcoming Events

Don't be a fool, be cool!



Join us!

EXPLORE vegetarian & spiritual practices
BUILD community. CULTIVATE compassion!

In Defense of Animals presents
VEGAN SPIRITUALITY RETREAT
with Speaker **Rae Sikora**

Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary
Gainesville, Florida
For details visit idausa.org/retreats

Saturday, April 1 > Retreat!
Sunday April 2 > Optional Volunteer Day
yoga, meditation, vegan food, sanctuary tour,
blessing of the animals!

HONOR ANIMALS AT JUNGLE FRIENDS PRIMATE SANCTUARY RETREAT

Don't monkey around...mark your calendars!

Join Us For Monkey Day 2017!



Don't monkey around like Dexter Hang out with us like Goldie!

Saturday, November 4th, 2-5 p.m.

Sanctuary Tours • Food • Silent Auction • Music • Dancing

RSVP@junglefriends.org or 386-462-7779

\$25 Suggested Donation—Monkey Sponsors Are Free!

Monkeyshine —mischievous or playful activity



Jimmy Lays in Wait!

A note from Sponsor, Tony DeFrancesco: It was Sunday, a warm and steamy morning, and while making my way through the depths of the Jungle, or rather Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary, I was carefully ducking under runways when I heard of the notorious “Jimmy the Jerk.” I eyed my way cautiously through the foliage, when, WHAT! My hat was dislodged from my head! I looked above me to see what had just happened. And there he was, Jimmy the Jerk, with another successful theft on his head! He had on my hat—the little thief.

It was a wonderful trip with my daughter, Lynn Risor, meeting the monkeys, and because Jimmy was so deft with his fingers, I decided, “I’m gonna sponsor that monkey!” And I did! Jungle Friends is an amazing place, I highly suggest you volunteer or visit. And while you’re at it, why not sponsor a monkey too!



“Who Stole My Hat?”



“Jimmy, that’s who!”



“Peek-A-Boo—I see You!”