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Welcome from President - Jeanne Hall

My name is Jeanne Hall, I am the President of Phoenix Exotic and would like to brief you on what to expect in our monthly newsletters. The newsletter is for our members who do not have convenient access to our website. We want to reach out and make Phoenix Exotic accessible, including in our newsletter information from our e-list for members who are currently not online. Enjoy!

The stated purpose of Phoenix per the articles of incorporation:

“…for charitable educational and scientific purposes; to educate the public in the necessary safety precautions and procedures for dealing with exotic wildlife; and to provide emergency assistance to exotic wildlife in need of care or relocation.”

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Tiger escapes cage in San Francisco Zoo
Submitted by (cougar time) Thu Dec 20, 2007

By Louise Chu, (AP) - A tiger that mauled a zookeeper last year escaped from its pen at the San Francisco Zoo on Tuesday, killing one man and injuring two others before police shot it dead, authorities said.

The three men were in their 20s; they were together and were not zoo employees, San Francisco Police spokesman Steve Mannina said.

They were attacked just after the 5 p.m. closing time outside the zoo's Terrace Cafe on the east end of the 1,000-acre grounds.

It was unclear how the tiger escaped or how long it was on the loose. The Siberian tiger, named Tatiana, attacked a zookeeper last December during a public feeding, according to the zoo's director of animal care and conservation.

The zoo, which is open 365 days a year, was evacuated immediately after the attack was reported.

Police arrived to find the tiger on top of a victim. The tiger then started moving toward a group of approaching police officers, and they opened fire with handguns, Mannina said.

The two injured men were in critical but stable condition at San Francisco General Hospital, San Francisco Fire Department spokesman Lt. Ken Smith said. A call to the supervising nurse at San Francisco General was not immediately returned.

"This is a tragic event for San Francisco," Smith said. "We pride ourselves in our zoo, and we pride ourselves in tourists coming and looking at our city."

Authorities did not believe there were any other people attacked, but because it was dark they could not be certain. Investigators remained on the scene and Smith said a thorough sweep of the grounds would be conducted in the morning.

It was not immediately clear what kind of tiger was involved in the attack. The zoo has both Siberian and Sumatran tigers, according to its Web site.

Officials at first worried that four tigers had escaped, but only one got out of its pen, Mannina said.

Tatiana is one of two Siberian tigers in the zoo's collections, according to its Web site. Last December, the 350-pound animal reached through the cage's iron bars and badly lacerated the zookeeper's arm. The zoo's Lion House was temporarily closed during an investigation.

NV: Exotic Animal Law Takes Effect In Nye County
Submitted by (south zoo) Thu Nov 22, 2007

The rules are changing for anyone who owns an exotic pet in Nye County. There is now a law requiring special use permits for all exotic pets.

The animals must be inspected once a year, as well as the animals' homes, all animal sanctuaries and kennels.

The ordinance is effective today.
Talk about running amuck...
Submitted by (bob) Tue Nov 13, 2007
By Wasbir Hussan
Gauhati, India (AP) - With Rwanda off her charity calendar, Paris Hilton has turned her attention to the plight of ... drunken elephants in India.

"The elephants get drunk all the time. It is becoming really dangerous. We need to stop making alcohol available to them," the 26-year-old socialite was quoted as saying by the World Entertainment News Network's Web site.

In the wake of her jail term for an alcohol-related reckless driving case, Hilton is seeking to remake her image from club-hopping party girl to world-traveling do-gooder. She announced plans to do charity work in Rwanda, but the trip was postponed until next year.

Then opportunity for Hilton's "global elephant campaign" knocked last month when six parched pachyderms broke into a farm in the state of Meghalaya and guzzled farmers' homemade rice beer. The elephants went on a rampage, then uprooted an electricit pole and were jolted to death.

"There would have been more casualties if the villagers hadn't chased them away. And four elephants died in a similar way three years ago. It is just so sad," Hilton was quoted as saying in last week in Tokyo, where she was judging a beauty contest.

Sangeeta Goswami, head of animal rights group People for Animals, told The Associated Press: "I am indeed happy Hilton has taken note of recent incidents of wild elephants in northeast India going berserk."

"As part of her global elephant campaign, Hilton should, in fact, think of visiting this region literally infested with elephants," Goswami said.

Hilton's publicist couldn't immediately be reached Tuesday to verify her comments. Another conservationist said elephant alcohol abuse was just a symptom of the real problem. (No, he wasn't talking about celebrities.)

"Elephants appear on human settlements because they have no habitat left due to wanton destruction of forests," said Soumyadeep Dutta, who heads Nature's Beckon, a leading regional conservation group. "A celebrity like Hilton must focus her attention on this fact."

Escaped tiger killed by deputy
Submitted by (south zoo) Tue Nov 13, 2007
New Hampton, Iowa (AP) - A Chickasaw County sheriff's deputy has shot and killed a tiger that escaped from its cage.

Sheriff Martin T. Larsen says his office received a call that a tiger was free and attacking a dog at the Joseph and Dawn Schmitt farm.

When the sheriff and two deputies arrived, the full-grown tiger was attacking the family dog.

He says the dog, a collie, was rushed to a vet and is doing OK. Larsen says the county doesn't have any licensing laws for exotic pets and the matter has been turned over to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, which regulates exotic pets.

The family also has two cougars and a bear.

2008 Phoenix Exotics Annual Meeting!
This year's meeting will be held in Chehalis, Washington at the Yardbirds Mall Feb 22, 23, 24.
OH: Suburban Youngstown reviews exotic animal ownership legislation  
Submitted by (south zoo) Tue Nov 13, 2007

Girard, Ohio (AP) - Residents of Girard, suburban Youngstown, say they're worried new legislation to address exotic animal ownership might force two beloved neighbors to move.

Erik and Wendi Parker adopted two small monkeys two years ago and their neighborhood says the animals have become part of the community. Several neighbors even attended a recent birthday party for the monkeys.

Girard's City Council is reviewing legislation that would clarify the rules for owning monkeys and other exotic animals.

Loose lion chases cars in Ohio  
Submitted by (south zoo) Thu Nov 22, 2007

Wakefield, Ohio (AP) - That was no dog chasing cars in southern Ohio earlier this week. It was a cat, a big cat.

Pike County sheriff's deputies responded to a 911 call of a lion "attacking" vehicles on U.S. 23 Monday and found a man trying to capture a 550-pound feline near Wakefield.

Terry Brumfield told officers that his lion named Lambert had broken out of its pen in nearby Piketon, about 90 miles east of Cincinnati. The owner was able to get the animal back into the cage without anyone getting hurt.

Brumfield and his wife have two lions. Vicki Brumfield said raising them has helped her husband through a bout of depression. She said they are tame, like great big house cats.

Ohio doesn’t require permits for exotic animals, but that would change under an Ohio House bill now in committee.

FL: Wildlife Officials Look For Temporary Homes For Exotic Pets  
Submitted by (south zoo) Sat Dec 15, 2007

Miami (AP) - State wildlife officials are looking for people to take in the pets other people dump in the Everglades.

Through December 21st, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission is recruiting caretakers for Burmese pythons and other unwanted exotic animals.

Some pet owners dump the reptiles and other pets they no longer want in the Everglades or other natural areas. That puts native species at risk. Officials want to find the exotic animals homes with people who have passed a state certification requirement.

Wildlife officials have also scheduled a nonnative pet amnesty day in South Florida on February 23rd at the Miami Metro Zoo. Pet owners can give up their exotic animals with no questions asked.

Park volunteers report possible wolf sighting in Colorado  
Submitted by (south zoo) Sat Dec 29, 2007

Rocky Mountain National Park, Colorado (AP) - Rocky Mountain National Park officials say a recent report of a possible wolf sighting is credible, but they say it's difficult to be sure without more evidence.

Ranger Jack Dinsmoor said today (Friday) that two experienced park volunteers reported seeing what looked like a wolf on December 4th. They didn't get a photo, but large paw prints were later found in the area.

Dinsmoor says park officials don't know if the animal was a wolf, a wolf hybrid or some other kind of mix.

Wolves were wiped out in Colorado by the 1930s, but it's believed they could migrate from
Wyoming. In 2004, a dead wolf found along Interstate 70 was traced to Yellowstone National Park.

Phoenix Zoo gets orphaned mountain lion kittens
Submitted by (south zoo) Fri Jan 18, 2008

Pierre, South Dakota (AP) - Mountain lion kittens that were orphaned during the Black Hills hunting season last fall have been moved to three zoos.

The Game, Fish and Parks Department says three kittens went to Abilene, Texas; three to Phoenix, and one to Denver.

GF&P staff went out and found the kittens after determining that adult female lions killed by hunters were nursing.

The kittens weighed from 10 to 27 pounds while being cared for at the Wildlife and Fisheries Science Department at South Dakota State University.

Sixteen female lions and three male lions were shot during the hunting season.

St. Paul bans sugar gliders
Submitted by (south zoo) Sat Dec 29, 2007

St. Paul, (AP) - The St. Paul City Council has voted 6 to 1 to ban people from keeping sugar gliders as pets. The marsupials are native to Australia and resemble flying squirrels.

Animal-control officers sounded the alarm weeks ago after learning that sugar gliders had become the latest fad pet. They look cute, but they're high-maintenance. They require space to jump around, make a lot of noise, eat specialized diets, and mark territory with their scent.

The fear is they might be abandoned by their owners and turn into exotic nuisances on a par with zebra mussels or flying carp.

But defenders say sugar gliders are friendly and cuddly, and say the smell isn't that bad if you feed them the right foods.

Alaska, California and Massachusetts have also banned them.

State takes baboons from fair after scratching complaint
Submitted by (south zoo) Tue Nov 13, 2007

State officials have confiscated two baboons from a Columbia County fair, saying the owner violated a license to have the exotic animals.

The baboons, one of which scratched a 17-month-old boy as he fed it at the Columbia County Merchants Association Fall Fair petting zoo, were picked up by Georgia Department of Natural Resources officers Thursday. They were transported to an Atlanta facility licensed to house the primates.

Robin Hill, a spokeswoman with DNR, said the two baboons were confiscated because a Georgia license to have baboons forbids the animals to have contact with the public.

Kim Nisbet, a co-owner of Eudora Farms, of Salley, S.C., which is running the fair’s petting zoo, said she feels adequate action was taken to keep the public from the baboons, with a four-foot fence barrier six feet away from the baboons' cage. "We felt like we were taking precautions and not saying 'Here, you can pet my monkey and have fun doing it,'" she said. Nisbet said patrons could not get close enough to be bitten or scratched by her baboon without leaning over or climbing the barrier. Still, she said she plans to raise the barrier to six feet and enclose it at the top.

Michelle Collins, the mother of the child, said her husband was holding the boy and did not cross over the barrier to feed the animal.

Nisbet said she plans to get her baboons back and has hired a Macon attorney who previously worked a case opposing a DNR confiscation of a zebra.

The animals are being quarantined by the state for 10 days to monitor their health.
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