



President’s Message – Marsha Fogarty

Hello Docents,

2021-2022 was a great year! It was so good to get back to meeting and socializing in person without quite as much fear. We may still deal with additional COVID outbreaks, but we are up to the task. The zoo/health department will guide us on that.

It felt good to be a Zoopeteer again, to do tours and special events and, of course, I like communing with the chickens. As promised, I want to give you feedback from our Year-End Evaluation. One thing everyone likes is short and to-the-point meetings. We will do our best to follow in Barbara Kalbli’s footsteps and keep our meetings on track. I also think everyone really appreciated the focus on our shared mission by having a We Believe Statement at all meetings. Keeping our focus on delivering “goosebumps for children of all ages” is an important mission. This will keep us from obsessing over cranky kids, demanding parents, petty grievances, etc.

Each officer and supplemental chair are receiving specific program recommendations so we can learn from our past and fine-tune our future work. I know officers and supplemental chairs are hard at work already. One big suggestion was more social time together. We will see what we can do about that. I have passed it to our Social Chairs. Anyone want to host a Woodsy this fall? Let me know or Kim Katalin and Vickie Pokaluk.

The summer is very busy and the staff is probably feeling harried. One suggestion I have for all docents: be kind and courteous to staff and your fellow docents. When we are there working, it is fun AND exhausting. Let’s start this year off with a bang! I think we already have. When I went to sign up for Omo’s Birthday celebration, the slots were already taken. I know sign-ups are also filling up for Big Backyard, Penguins and Pelicans, and Special Events. Keep up the good work!

Marsha

Vision Statement

“Every Kid, Every Time, Goosebumps! Every kid, of any age, will have an experience for a lifetime with every visit.”

DATES TO KNOW

Meetings start at 9:30 a.m.

Aug 3 Board Meeting....Safari Lodge
 Aug 13 ... IE Meeting.....Safari Lodge
 Aug 24 ... Educ MeetingSafari Lodge
 Sept 7..... Board Meeting....Safari Lodge
 Sept 10... IE Meeting.....TBA
 Sept 14... TE Meeting**TBA

**** Mandatory Meeting: please contact the president or president-elect if you cannot attend**

Zoo Summer Special Events

- **Member Mornings** – Saturdays thru Labor Day – 8:00 a.m. entry
- **Member Night** – Aug 9, 5:30-8:30 pm
- **Date Night Starlight Safari** (adults only) Aug 19, 6:30-8:30 pm
- **Tails & Tunes** (adults only) – Aug 25, Sep 29, 6-9:30 pm

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Kera (credit: Deborah Compton)

August 13 (Sat) — IE Meeting

Join us for our monthly IE meeting at 9:30 am in the Safari Lodge on Saturday, August 13. Our program hasn't been confirmed, but we've invited a keeper from Chickens and one from WEA to give us updates on our responsibilities for working in these areas. Our assistance is valuable in helping to keep our guests and animals safe and we have time to interact and tell stories about our animals. Passing along some conservation messages is also important in our IE work. Each presenter will be given enough time to answer any questions you might have and pass along any new and exciting information about their areas.

We'll have our usual announcements, and we will look at the number of hours we are working in each IE area. A Chicken Tender winner for the animal encounter in BBY or the Loft will also be drawn. Most importantly, perhaps, we'll have time to socialize and interact with our docent friends. Snacks will be provided. So, mark your calendars and we hope to see you there.

Your IE Board

Rats in the Belfry (DRC)!

The DRC has had its share of rats and mice visiting the building recently. As much as we love animals of all sorts, these rodents are a problem for us. When you are in the DRC, take a look around. If you happen to see one in a trap, please get it out of the building or ask for help. The summer heat is accelerating decomposition.



Also, a reminder that when you are in the DRC even for a second, don't leave the screen door open a crack. They have ways of getting into the building. We don't need to assist them. I appreciate the help.

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Education Committee

I'm looking forward to the Education Committee Chair role. Many thanks to Greta for her excellent leadership over the past year! I have some big shoes to fill.

I plan to hold our first meeting in August. Meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 9:30 am in Safari Lodge. Members are Marianne Brooks, Cate Kelly, Marsha Fogarty, Jeanie Baratono, Ann Marie Jackson, Nancy Hochman, Mindy Mahler, Cris Stoddard, Kathy Kidd, and Vickie Pokaluk.

Marianne Brooks, 1st VP

Animal Enrichment

Thank you to the June Cannoli makers: Jean Bennett, Anne Wardrop, JoAnne Warren, Diane Brewner, and Kathy O'Donnell.

Also, thanks to the popcorn makers for adding to the animals' food source.

Ellie Solomon, Former Enrichment Chair



Docent Summer Uniform

As a reminder, the Zoo-approved blue T-shirt may be worn with the docent nametag from May 31 through September 30, along with khaki-colored pants/shorts, mid-thigh or longer (longer than the safari jacket hem).

Please remember to wear your **GREEN** shirts when giving a **Tour** or **Safari**.

Docents must adhere to the CMZ "Zoo Crisp" standard at any level, including "clean, good quality garments, pressed or wrinkle-free... with shirts tucked in." For further information, see the 2022 Manual, pages Z-10 and Z-11.



Articles and Information of Interest

- Possibly centuries-old Arctic shark found off Florida <https://bit.ly/3OFgASh>
- National Geographic, Historic Yellowstone flooding brings renewal despite destruction <https://on.natgeo.com/3cUnMNa>
- Dolpa Diaries – Tracking The Mountain Ghost (Snow Leopard) <https://bit.ly/3bnXkLc>

CMZA Zooline Information



Please send all submissions — information, articles, pictures, etc. to: cmza.zooline@yahoo.com.

Monday, August 22 is the deadline for the September issue. Thank you!

Joelle Shreves & Linnea McDonald, Editors

Photos from June Joint Meeting



Turning over the gavel from Barbara Kalbli (right) to Marsha Fogarty



10-year Certificate: Jennifer Farnsworth
(not pictured: Judy Schlei)



15-year Certificate: Lynne Stefonik
(not pictured: Lovice Riffe)



5-Year Pin (l to r): Sharon Ledlow, Rick Jenkins, Cate Kelly, Cris Stoddard (not pictured: Gisele Miyamoto)



35-year Certificate (l to r): Barbara Kalbli presenting certificate to Kaiti Poehlmann



300 Hours (l to r): Marianne Brooks, Pat Dwyer, Linnea McDonald, JoAnne Warren



500 Hours (l to r): Anne Wardrop, Kathy O'Donnell, Doris Banks, Gloria Wiersema
(not pictured: Torrie Smith)



150 Hours (l to r): Jean Bennett, Kim Bunch-DeCou, Susan Corcoran, Sherry Cripps, Tami Dickens, Sandy Greenspoon, Susan Hoxie, Mac McPherson, Nancy Rodgers (not pictured: Pat Urban)



1,000 Hours: Cate Kelly



3,000 Hours: Charlotte Greene (on left), Ellie Solomon



1,500 Hours: Gina Bryant (on left), Cris Stoddard



View of the all-docent end-of-year meeting



Incoming exec board



New Docent Class: (back row, l to r) Madalyn Kae, Jan Hanley, Shauna Naous, Jessica Mann, Judy Polhemus, Dennis Akkola, Pat McConnaughay, (front row, l to r) Janis Henderson, Barb Haldorson, Rylee Fortenberry, Lori Emge (not pictured: Denise Billington-Just)



Incoming supplemental activity chairs



Judy Sonderrmann thanking tour chairs w/a gift



Barbara w/her Oma shirt gift

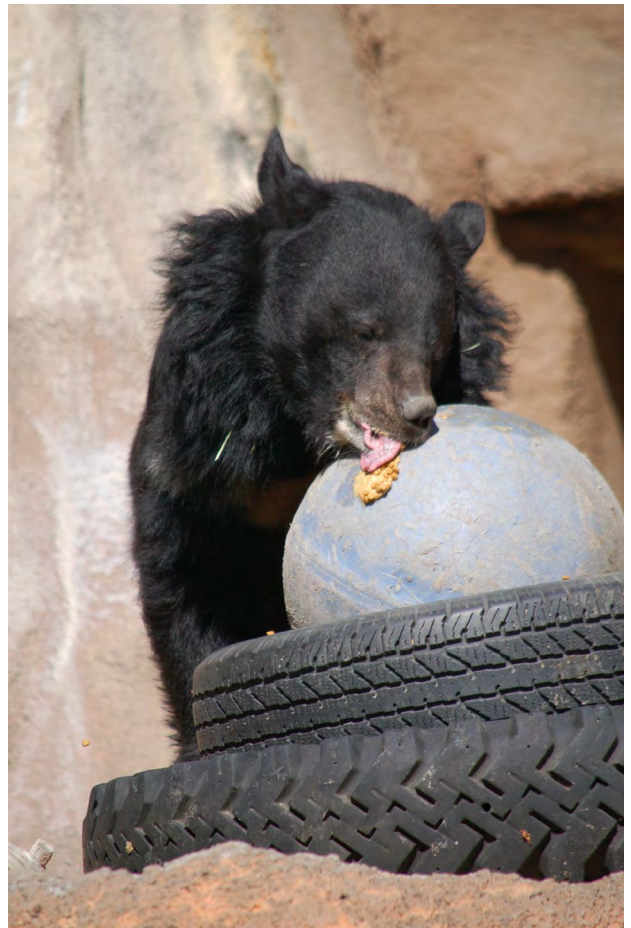


Outgoing CMZ Auxiliary board

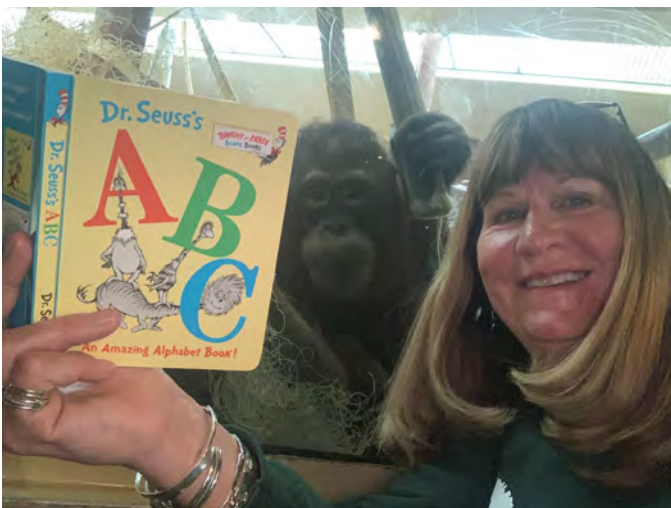
Animal & Docent Photos



Asha looking contemplative (credit: Deborah Compton)



Beezler w/peanut butter enrichment (credit: Susan Hoxie)



Kim Bunch-DeCou discovered Ember enjoys being read to, especially with big colorful picture books! She becomes very engaged and sometimes cups her hands on the glass to screen out distractions



Blanca balancing act (credit: Deborah Compton)



*Blanca looking out over her kingdom
(credit: Susan Hoxie)*



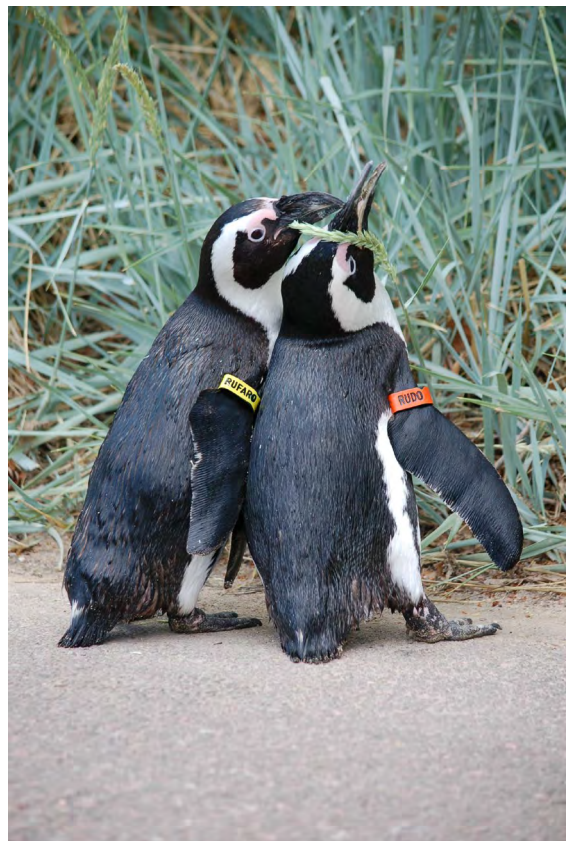
Godric spreading his wings (credit: Susan Hoxie)



Lemur love (credit: Deborah Compton)



*Quilliam's Quasimodo impersonation
(credit: Susan Hoxie)*



*Rufaro "strangling" his sibling Rudo
(credit: Susan Hoxie)*



Old Faithful (credit: Linnea McDonald)



Bison in Fountain Flats area near geyser basins (credit: Linnea McDonald)



Lower Falls of the Yellowstone River viewed from Artist Point (credit: Linnea McDonald)



Fun day w/docent friends at the Colorado Wolf & Wildlife Center (credit: Kim Bunch-DeCou)