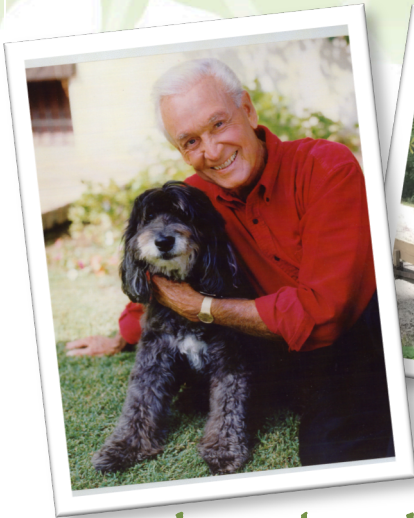


the Wild Side

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Newsletter of Forest Animal Rescue (formerly known as Peace River Refuge & Ranch)



Bob Barker does it again!

Please join us in thanking this wonderful man, once again, for his generous support.

Our relationship with Mr. Barker's DJ&T Foundation began when he made a generous gift that allowed us to start the construction of our Bob Barker Animal Care Building.

This time around, he donated much needed funds to purchase a new tractor for our big construction projects for the animals and to help offset other important sanctuary expenses.

It is so fantastic to have the support of such an amazing animal advocate! *Thank you, Bob Barker!*

Socialize with FAR:



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A TRUE SANCTUARY

Forest Animal Rescue (FAR) is a nonprofit sanctuary dedicated to meeting the lifetime needs of almost 100 rescued wild animals.

At FAR's state-of-the-art, 80-acre facility in the beautiful Ocala National Forest, we are 100% committed to providing each animal with:

- a spacious, natural habitat
- a healthful, natural diet
- high-quality care by staff and volunteers
- quality veterinary care, when needed
- a firm "no breeding" policy
- socialization and enrichment appropriate to each animal's preferences, and
- protection from further victimization

FAR is an internationally recognized organization, accredited by the American Sanctuary Association and listed as one of the "Best Tiger Sanctuaries in the U.S." according to Tigers in America.

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FAR is a registered 501(c)(3) organization. All donations are tax deductible as allowed by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service.



Amazing support from our friends!

After Hurricane Irma, we suddenly lost all of the donations of animal food that we had been receiving for 19 years. Everything now is donated to food banks for people.

In response to our plea for help, many of our supporters have signed up for small recurring monthly gifts on our website. This allows us to purchase the food the animals require wholesale without sacrificing our new construction and growth.

If you are one of our friends who have signed up – *THANK YOU!* If we continue having a few new supporters sign up for recurring gifts each month, we will be on track to have the ongoing cost of buying all of our animal food covered going forward by the end of the year!

Will you help? For what you might spend on a few cups of coffee, you can help to feed a rescued big cat, bear, monkey, bat or wolf!

TO SET UP MONTHLY GIFTS ONLINE:

Simply visit our website at www.ForestAnimalRescue.org and give using any donate button on our site. When you check 'Monthly', your gifts will be repeated automatically each month from your credit card, bank account or PayPal. You receive an email confirmation and remain in complete control over the amount and when your recurring gifts end.

TO SET UP MONTHLY GIFTS BY MAIL:

Simply fill out the coupon at the end of this newsletter with your credit card information and check the box to make it a monthly gift and mail it to us. We will process it from here and mail a year-end recap of your gifts for tax purposes.



Staff Spotlight: Miranda Weiss

We are proud to introduce Miranda Weiss, our Animal Care and Education Coordinator. She grew up in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin where she learned to appreciate animals and nature and went on to study Biology with an emphasis on Zoology at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville.

Miranda began her relationship with Forest Animal Rescue as an intern. After her internship was completed, she returned as a full-time staff member. She has been on staff with us for just over a year and we are very happy to have her on our team.

She is passionate about wildlife, education and advocacy. She enjoys teaching others how to properly care for animals.

Miranda continues her passion for animals into her personal life, caring for three rescue dogs, two cats and two rats. Very lucky animals!

We are always seeking qualified applicants for our internship program. Before the end of the year, we hope to hire another staff member from our pool of successful interns.

If you or someone you know is interested, please visit our website and click on the 'join us' link to learn more.



Miranda Weiss

Chief will have a friend again soon

Chief, a horse that the sanctuary rescued when we first opened our doors, lost his long-time donkey companion a few months ago. Beercan, Chief's old buddy finally lost his battle with cancer, leaving Chief alone.

Of course, equines need the company of others of their own kind and since Chief had such a good relationship with Beercan we figured we would rescue another donkey to be with him.

That time is drawing near. We are in the process of building a new shelter for the two of them that will be designed to make it easier to manage them safely as we make introductions.



Everyone pitching in to help the animals

We want to show our appreciation for all of the fantastic support we receive to provide for animals in need. There is too much to list everyone, but here are a few examples of some of wonderful help from our friends.

Thank you!



Long-time supporters, Westbrook Services donated the HVAC for our new Bob Barker Animal Care Building



So many donors have assisted with materials and supplies for our Bob Barker Animal Care Building – they are being listed on signage in the new building.



The Knopf Family Foundation donated funds to purchase a new Polaris Ranger to care for the animals



Our new friends at the Ozello Civic Association have turned out to be fantastic supporters as well!



Chewy.com has made several gifts of toys and supplies for the animals

Matchmaking...



Eva and Roy – love at first sight!

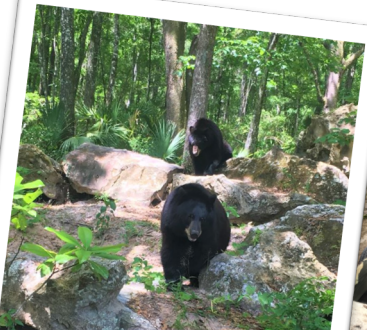
When we rescued four tigers and two bears from a closed cub-petting operation in Colorado, we knew it would take some time to integrate them with our other animals and allow them to make new friends. Of course, we are a non-breeding sanctuary, so the matchmaking is strictly for companionship.

Cody and Oatmeal, the two bears quickly learned to live happily with our other sanctuary bears. The tigers have (as expected) been a bit more of a challenge.

We are still mixing and matching to see which tigers will make best friends and so far, we have one heartfelt match.

Eva, one of the four new tigers, has found a best friend in Roy. The two are so sweet together we expect them to be friends for life. We will keep you posted on the progress of matchmaking with the other tigers.

Building Projects never end



We are still working to build pools and waterfalls with huge rocks for the tigers and bears



All five bears live happily in a 4-acre habitat



We need to build bigger tiger platforms!



Lemurs are loving their new log platform and ladder



Providing the best life for the animals



We are constantly providing new, exciting forms of enrichment for the animals to keep life interesting.



Here are some examples: Tire swings, boxes, pools and balls.

Legacy Society



This society is created exclusively to honor and recognize people who have helped to continue our life saving work through a gift to Forest Animal Rescue in their wills, estate plans or trusts. As a Legacy Society member, you will receive a certificate of appreciation and a Legacy Society lapel pin to serve as a reminder to others of your support of our mission. Your gift can be recognized publicly, unless you prefer to remain anonymous.

If you have already arranged for a bequest or other planned gift, please notify us so you can receive your membership perks. If you are still considering such a gift, please let us know so we can help you and your advisors complete your gift in a way that benefits your estate and makes clear your intention to help the animals at Forest Animal Rescue; contact us at 352-625-7377 or developent@forestanimalrescue.org

When you join the Society, you demonstrate your commitment to the prevention of cruelty to animals and help ensure the long-term strength of Forest Animal Rescue and the lifetime care of all of the animals at the sanctuary

YES - I WILL HELP!!

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Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

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Henry Trawick

One year ago:
Henry P. Trawick
July 20, 1926-September 29, 2017
He made so many things possible

Henry, we will cherish the gift that was your life. And, as you clearly desired, we will carry on protecting animals in need and taking the sanctuary to the next level.



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Celebrating 20 years of rescues

After rescuing animals for 20 years, we have learned that it takes a village. No matter how much hard work we put into it, we can't do it without YOU.

These animals are counting on us. Our sanctuary is their last stop, their last chance. It is our mission to make it the best life possible for them.

Thank you so much for helping the animals!

Warm regards,
Lisa Stoner



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