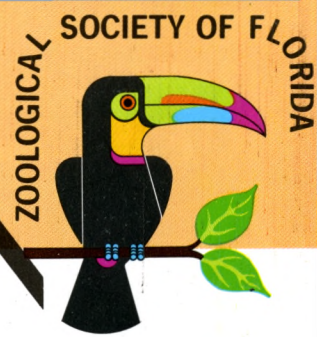


# TOUCAN TALK



The Newsletter of the Zoological Society of Florida, a non-profit organization supporting Metrozoo

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## THE REBUILDING OF SULAWESI

by Bill Zeigler, General Curator, Metrozoo

Since the opening of the Asian/European lobe of Metrozoo in 1982, Sulawesi has been a focal point for human - animal interaction. Nowhere else in the zoo could visitors feed or touch some of our exotic animals; from the armadillo to the pygmy zebu.

Designed after the villages on the island of Sulawesi, part of the island nation of Indonesia, our village of Sulawesi adds bright colors and a touch of Asian culture to the zoo grounds.

Originally designed as an animal contact area, Sulawesi evolved into an educational experience with the hope of instilling in our patrons an awe and respect for wildlife from around the world as well as their own back yards.

In trying to maintain the naturalistic style of Metrozoo, Sulawesi was built with all natural materials. Unfortunately, the Florida climate is not very kind to palm fronds or wood, and early last spring, it became obvious that repairs would have to be made to keep Sulawesi going.

While looking at the physical needs of the area, zoo staff began re-evaluating the needs of the zoo visitor in regard to animal contact, entertainment and education. The result was a consensus of opinion that Metrozoo had an obligation to provide more to the public.

After discussions with zoo and Zoological Society staff members, it was decided that Sulawesi would be expanded in both scope and in size. Its size will be increased by including all the land immediately behind the goat corral and elephant ride area. The expansion



will ultimately include educational facilities, a children's playground and a nursery for small animals.

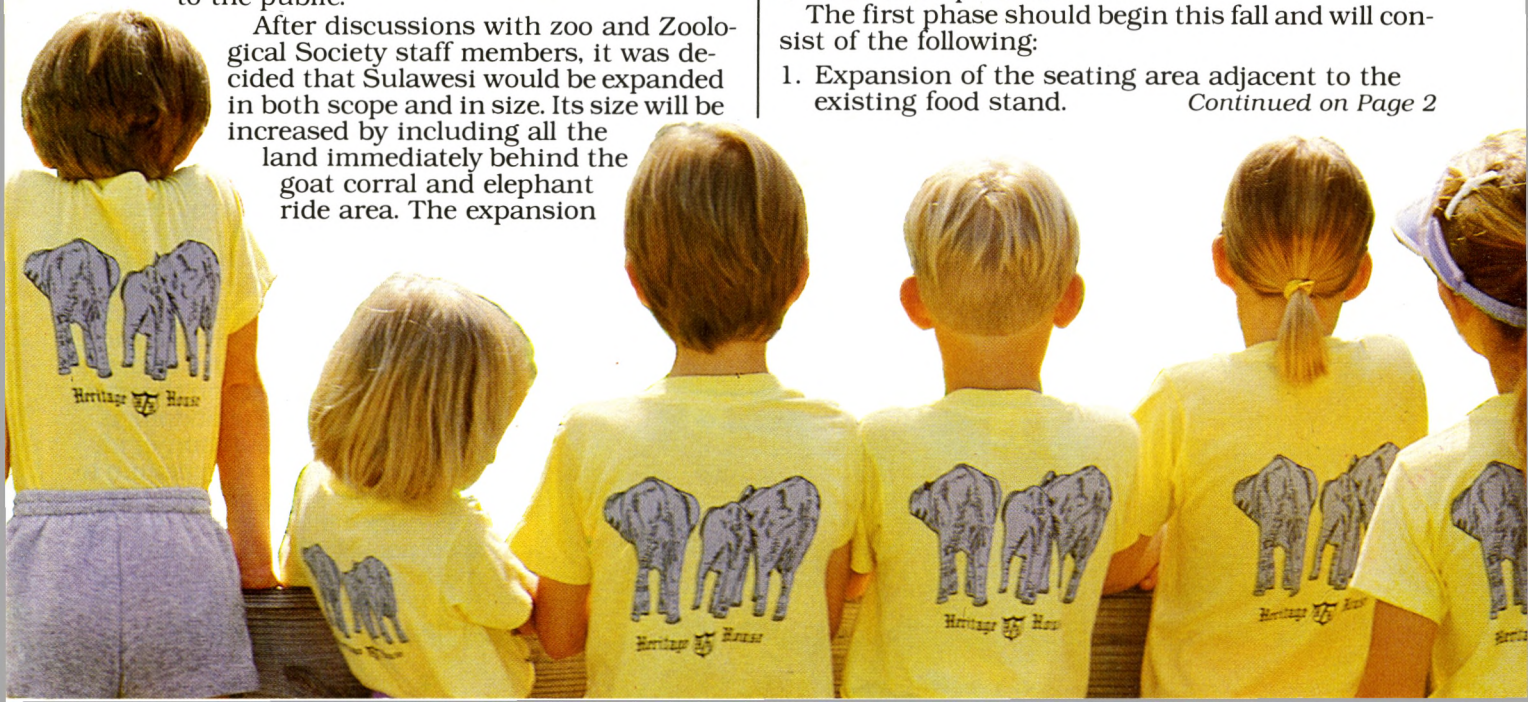
The Zoological Society quickly offered its support to the project and meetings were begun to develop the basic concept from which we would work.

It became clear from the onset that the rebuilding of Sulawesi was going to be no small task. Given the numerous other projects and commitments made by the Zoological Society and zoo for the 1986/1987 budget years, the decision was made to plan Sulawesi in three phases.

The first phase should begin this fall and will consist of the following:

1. Expansion of the seating area adjacent to the existing food stand.

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# THE REBUILDING OF SULAWESI

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2. Renovation of all animal stalls located on the west side of Sulawesi, adding concrete flooring, block walls, and new back holding areas.
3. New roofing material for all of the existing structures.
4. A new tack room for the keeper staff, equipped with holding cages for small animals, and food preparation area with lockers and showers.
5. Expansion of the existing goat corral to hold deer and provide them with holding stalls for night protection.
6. Construction of shaded seating areas under the existing east wing where the bird rooms are now located.
7. Constructing a show ring and expanding the present seating capacity for elephant shows. We will move our elephant demonstrations from the Burma Trail, where they are now being held, to Sulawesi.
8. The elephant ride ticket booth will be moved back to its original location and the ride trail will be resurfaced. Trees will be planted along the trail to give the rider a more "jungle like" experience.

This will complete Phase I of the rebuilding of Sulawesi. The remaining phases will occur over the next several years as funding permits.

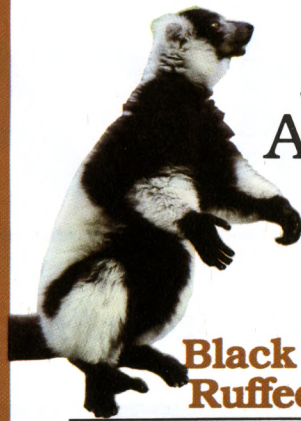
At this point in our planning, we hope to include in Phase II and Phase III some of the following:

- A children's interpretive center with a large classroom, laboratory and library, plus an outdoor classroom area combining animal and educational graphic displays in a jungle garden habitat.
- A small animal nursery for hand-rearing orphaned animals, equipped with viewing windows for the public.
- Numerous small mammal and bird displays to provide activity and color for children and adults alike.

Our goal is to change Sulawesi from a one dimensional experience, as it exists, into a multi-dimensional center for education and entertainment. We aspire to provide our visitors and Zoological Society members with a means of getting better acquainted with Metrozoo and the world of animals it strives to protect.

It is only through the support of the Zoological Society that Metrozoo will be able to accomplish the task of expanding Sulawesi and it is only through your support as members that the Zoological Society can continue its commitment to improve the quality of our lives through education and entertainment regarding our world and its inhabitants.

Within the next few weeks you will be receiving an informational piece on the rebuilding of Sulawesi. The Society will be asking for your support of this project. Metrozoo would like to thank the Zoological Society and its members for their help.



## S.S.P. Animal

### Black & White Ruffed Lemur

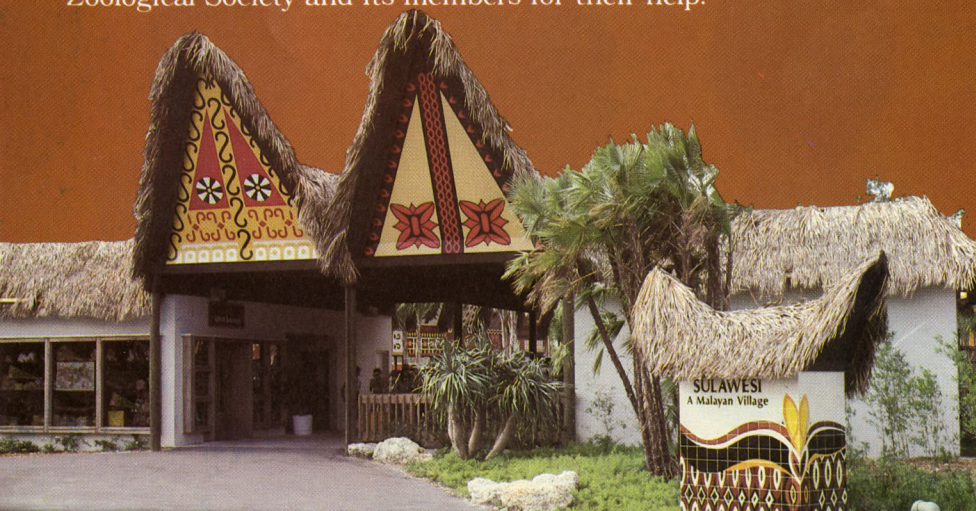
The black and white ruffed lemurs belong to a very unique and ancestral form of primate called prosimians. German zoologists refer to all prosimians as Halbaffen, half-monkeys. The reason for this is that it is scientifically incorrect to call a prosimian a monkey because they actually represent a transitional stage between insectivores (insect eating mammals) and the true monkeys.

The family Lemuridae (true lemurs) consists of nine recent species, of which the ruffed lemurs are the largest living members.

Today, lemurs can only be found in Madagascar and a few smaller islands in the Indian Ocean. Inhabiting the forests of eastern Madagascar, the black and white ruffed lemur has a very soft thick fur and its ears are hidden by a ruff of white hair. All Malagasy prosimians are listed as endangered by the United States Department of the Interior and are on appendix 1 of the Convention for International Trade in Endangered Species.

Metrozoos first pair of black and white ruffed lemurs arrived in February 1984 on a breeding loan from the San Diego Zoo. Since they replaced the more common ring-tailed lemurs on exhibit, they have produced two litters. A set of triplets was born in June 1985, and the following May the same female gave birth to twin males. The infants weigh 80-95 grams at birth (about 3 ounces). Unlike the ring-tailed lemur mothers who carry their offspring wherever they go, the ruffed lemurs prefer to deposit their young in a nest of branches and leaves. Females nurse their young from three pairs of mammary glands, one set on the chest and two sets on the abdomen.

As the wild population of all lemurs continues to succumb to the pressures of deforestation, it becomes most imperative that zoos pool their resources to maintain a self-sustaining captive population of these gravely endangered primates.



# TOUCAN TIDBITS

## 2nd Annual Photo Contest

Shutterbugs, get ready for the second annual photo contest at Metrozoo, sponsored by the Zoological Society of Florida, Kenya Photo Mural, Inc., Tishman Speyer Properties, Great Image Photo Lab, Eastman Kodak, and Kiwi Northern Mercantile. The grand prize winner will travel, courtesy of Lufthansa German Airlines, with a guest to Germany.

Registration will be held Friday, November 28 through Sunday, December 7. Each entry is \$10. All entries must be received by January 17.

Registration forms are available on zoo grounds, in the gift shop or at local camera stores (Mileo, Phil's Camera, Pitman Photo, Thompson Photo Lab, and Worldwide Photo).

Judging for the second annual photo contest will be conducted by John Dominus, former picture editor for PEOPLE Magazine, Lynn Pelham and Hank Walker, both former TIME/LIFE photographers.

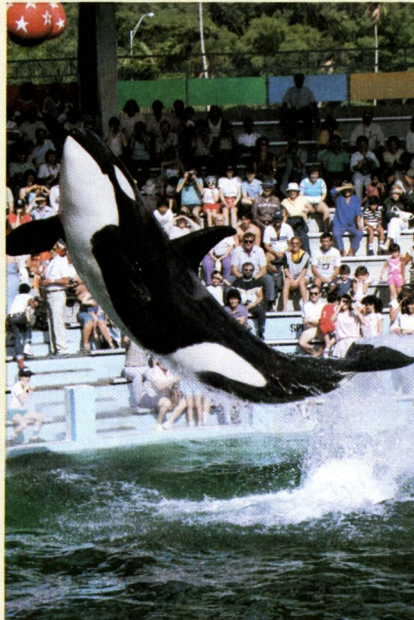
For more information, call 255-5551, or stop by the registration desk in the main gift shop.

## Tune-In

Beginning November 3rd you will have the opportunity to travel behind the scenes at Metrozoo. Your vehicle for this expedition will be a 12 part television series produced by the Zoological Society of Florida. The programs are designed to give you a first hand look at the entire zoo operation, from Addax to Zebra. Subjects covered will include "New Babies", "Special Events", and "A Day in the Life of a Zookeeper".

Storer North	14
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"DISCOVER METROZOO" will air Mondays at noon, Tuesday evenings at 8:30 p.m. and Friday afternoons at 5 p.m. on the following Cable Channels:



## Membership Discounts

Where else in Miami can you get close to a killer whale, come eye to eye with a dolphin or spend the day learning about our marine life? When was the last time you visited the Miami Seaquarium?

As a member of the Zoological Society, you can visit the Miami Seaquarium at a 20% discount. The Seaquarium is just one of five organizations that are offering our members a discount on admission.

The other organizations include: The Historical Museum, Vizcaya, The Museum of Science and Space Transit Planetarium and the Center for the Fine Arts.

To receive the 20% discount on admission you must show your valid Zoological Society membership card with proof of identification. The discounts apply to regular admission only and may not be used in combination with any other discounts or for special engagements.

Don't miss out on the aquatic fun! Take advantage of your Society membership and head on over to the Miami Seaquarium. It is located at 4400 Rickenbacker Causeway. They are open seven days a week from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

## A Living Legacy

No one can anticipate the future, but there are many ways to ensure that we are prepared for whatever it may hold. Having a will is an important part of that preparation. More than half of all college educated Americans and almost eighty percent of all women die without a valid will. In those cases, families will not only be subjected to the loss of a loved one, but will also have to endure the uncertainty during the months it can take to settle an estate without the directions found in a will.

Through your will, you are guaranteed that your heirs will be provided for in the way you choose, and that your estate will be administered according to your wishes, rather than as state laws direct.

If you are about to prepare your will, you might be interested in our free brochures; "Giving Through Your Will" and "Eleven Things to Remember if You Plan to Remember Us in Your Will."

In preparing your will, you may wish to include the Zoological Society. If you already have a will, it can easily be amended to include the Zoological Society of Florida. With your guidance, your attorney can make additions to your will which reflect your most current concerns and charitable interests. Keeping your will up-to-date also allows you the opportunity to take advantage of current tax deductions for charitable donations.

By including the Zoological Society in your will, you will be providing a living legacy for the future. Your gift will ensure the continued conservation of the animals at Metrozoo.

The Zoological Society will guarantee that your wishes for the distribution of your gift be followed as directed in your will.

A will guarantees that the people you love and the organizations that reflect your concerns will continue to prosper for years to come.

For more information on planning for the future or for the free brochures, please contact Cindy Zeigler in the development office at 255-5551.

# EDUCA OUTL

By Diane Ledder, Associate

## Classes For Children

### After School Adventure

The program topic for November-December will be "Elephants". Children will visit both the African and Asian elephants at the zoo, and learn about their behavior, training, nutrition and management.

Wednesdays,

November 12: 1st thru 3rd graders

December 10: 4th thru 6th graders

3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

\$10-Members / \$15-Nonmembers

### A.I.R. Scouting Program

Girl and Boy Scout troupes can spend a Saturday learning about Metrozoo's animal collection and the zoo's role in wildlife conservation. The program includes a classroom presentation, behind-the-scenes tour, and a live animal presentation. Scouts will receive the Metrozoo A.I.R. (Awareness, Interest, and Respect) patch upon completion of the program. Reservations for spring sessions of the program (January through May) will be taken on December 15th. Call the Education Department at 255-5551.

Saturdays,

January 10 through May 16

9:00 - 11:30 a.m.

\$6 per scout

### Daisy - Tiger Cub Program

This is a special after school version of the A.I.R. program for younger scouts. A special patch will be awarded for participation in the program. The class will emphasize the diversity of animal life and the characteristics of reptiles, birds, and mammals.

Wednesdays, November 5 & 19  
December 3

## Classes For Families

### Two for the Zoo

This popular program for preschoolers and parents will continue this fall on Wednesday mornings. Animal lessons are highlighted with craft activities and animal demonstrations. The topic for November-December will be "Elephants". Participants will learn about food, family life, and behavior. They will learn to distinguish between African and Asian species of elephants.



At the 1986 Annual American Association of Zoological Parks and Aquarium Conference, Lester Goldstein, Past President of the Zoological Society (center) presented a check from the Zoological Society of Florida on behalf of Metrozoo to support the A.A.Z.P.A. Endowment Fund for Conservation.

Right to left: Joseph Ferrer, Executive Director Zoological Society of Florida; Warren Iliff, President A.A.Z.P.A. and Director of the Dallas Zoo; Ron Forman, Director of the Audubon Zoo; Lester Goldstein; George Felton, Director of the Baton Rouge Zoo; and Robert Yokel, Director of Metrozoo.

The American Association of Zoological Parks and Aquariums (A.A.Z.P.A.) formed in 1924, of which Metrozoo and the Zoological Society of Florida are members, is a non-profit organization which represents virtually every major professionally operated zoological park and aquarium in north America.

In 1980, the A.A.Z.P.A.'s Board of Directors voted that conservation of the world's wildlife become the Association's highest priority. From this commitment evolved the Species Survival Plan (SSP), the master breeding plan for endangered animals.

In 1984, the Board voted to form an endowment fund for conservation projects. The endowment fund is supported by zoos, zoological societies, corporations, foundations and individuals who support the worldwide conservation efforts of the A.A.Z.P.A. The Zoological Society has pledged \$25,000 on behalf of the Society and zoo to the endowment fund.

Members from different zoos make up the A.A.Z.P.A.'s Board of Directors and its numerous board committees. Metrozoo is represented on the board committees by Education Director, Dr. Gordon Hubbell; General Curator, Bill Zeigler; Business Manager, Eric Stephens; and Curator of Mammals, Rick

Barongi. Dr. Gordon Hubbell, is a past president of the A.A.Z.P.A. He was also a member of the Accreditation Committee which oversees the accreditation process which zoos must pass to become a member of the A.A.Z.P.A.

Presently, Dr. Hubbell serves on the Long Range Planning Committee, the Ethics Board and is Chairman of the Convention Program Committee.

Bill Zeigler is one of three Vice-chairmen for the Wildlife Conservation and Management Committee (WCMC). WCMC oversees all conservation activities of the A.A.Z.P.A. He is Chairman of the Clearinghouse Committee which handles the distribution of all confiscated animals that enter the United States illegally. In September, he was appointed to the International Zoo Liaison Committee which will represent the A.A.Z.P.A. dealings with other zoos outside the United States. In addition, Mr. Zeigler is on the SSP Committees for the conservation of the following animals: Indian, black and Sumatran rhinogs, Asian elephant, Grevy zebra and okapi.

Rick Barongi is a member of the SSP Committee for the scimitar horned oryx.

Eric Stephens was recently appointed to the Association's Bylaws Committee.

# ATION LOOK

ate Director of Education

Wednesdays, November 5 & 19  
December 3  
9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

3, 4, 5 year olds and parent  
\$10-Members (parent and 1 child,  
second child - \$5)  
\$16-Nonmembers (second child - \$8)



Pix by Nick Norwood

## Breakfast with the Beasts

Two very special breakfast programs have been scheduled for November and December, featuring our white tiger cub, "Indi". Breakfast and an introduction to some of our "off exhibit" reptiles will compliment a close up visit with Indi. Join us for a unique and unforgettable family experience.

Sundays,

November 16 & December 14  
8:00 - 10:00 a.m.

\$10-Members / \$15-Nonmembers

## F.I.U. at Metrozoo

Our popular workshop for teachers will return again in spring. Open to both graduate and undergraduate students, this comprehensive workshop introduces teachers to Metrozoo and assists them in developing interdisciplinary materials for use in the classroom and at the zoo. "In Field Credit" is awarded in six disciplines for recertification. Registration is through F.I.U. only, and will begin in November. For details, call the Education Department at 255-5551.

Thursdays, Dates to be announced  
4:30 - 6:30 p.m.  
\$35-Members / \$45-Nonmembers  
plus F.I.U. tuition

## T.E.C. Workshop

Part of a series of workshops offered through the Teacher Education Center, this 10 hour program will train teachers to utilize the zoo as a classroom and help them interpret the zoo to others.

Two consecutive Saturdays  
December 6 & 13 • 9:00 to 3:00 p.m.  
NO FEE - Registration through  
T.E.C. only

# Classes For Adults

## Supper Safari

For adults who would like to experience the zoo at night, we offer this popular program. Wine, cheese, and a presentation by a member of the professional staff are followed by dinner "al fresco" and a behind the scenes tour.

Saturday, November 15  
6:00 - 9:00 p.m.  
\$25-Members / \$35-Nonmembers

## Volunteer Application

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

When may we reach you at the above numbers: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME

BUSINESS

Do you prefer a day \_\_\_\_\_  
or evening \_\_\_\_\_ class?

Return to: The Education Department  
**Zoological Society of Florida**  
12400 S.W. 152 St., Miami, FL 33177

## Volunteer Training

Volunteer opportunities are numerous and varied at Metrozoo. Volunteer duties may vary from the care of the animals used in educational programs to dispensing information and assistance at the information booths; or leading tours and interpreting exhibits to the public. Volunteers also teach lessons in wildlife biology and conservation to children and adults through the "Outreach" program and classes on zoo grounds. Volunteers must be members of the Zoological Society, and must be at least 21 years of age. They are also required to undergo 8 weeks of specialized training which familiarizes them with the philosophy, management, and animal collection of Metrozoo. If you are interested in becoming a Zoological Society volunteer, please fill out the following application and send it to the Volunteer Coordinator, Zoological Society of Florida. We will call you to arrange an interview and fill you in on the details.

Tuesdays and Thursdays,  
February 3 through April 2  
9:30 - 11:30 a.m.  
\$40-Members only

**Registration Policy:** Registration for zoo classes is by mail or credit card only. Program information may be obtained over the telephone, however a reservation in the program is contingent upon payment. Fees may be paid by check, money order, cash or Visa/Mastercharge/American Express. A confirmation letter will be issued upon receipt of payment. Fees are refundable up to 1 week before the program date.

# CLASS REGISTRATION

Participant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Bus. Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### FOR STUDENTS UNDER THE AGE OF 18:

Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Bus. Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Students Age (as of Sept. 1): \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in school (as of Sept.): \_\_\_\_\_

Program(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Member  Membership # \_\_\_\_\_ Nonmember  \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Mastercard  Visa  Amer. Exp. Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

A non-refundable \$5 processing fee will be retained in the event of a cancellation.

Mail to:

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ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY  
OF FLORIDA**  
12400 S.W. 152nd Street  
Miami, Florida 33177  
(305) 255-5551

# Thank You!

Our 1986 development campaign was a huge success, due largely to the efforts of our Development Committee Chairmen, Robert Paul and Frank Baia-monte, along with Committee members B.B. Goldstein, Hank Luria, Sanford Miot, Dr. Herbert Wertheim, DeWayne Little and James McDonald.

Without the support of individuals, foundations and corporations, we would not have exceeded our goal. We would like to thank and recognize the following corporations and foundations for their support. They have demonstrated their leadership and commitment to the community:

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## FRACÉ's "First Light"

The Zoological Society of Florida is pleased to announce the return of noted wildlife artist, Charles Fracé. The works of Fracé will be on exhibit under the entrance trellis at Metrozoo on Saturday and Sunday, November 29 & 30, during regular zoo hours (10 - 4). Mr. Fracé will be present to personalize any prints purchased during the exhibit. Proceeds from the sales will again benefit the Zoological Society of Florida.

This year's limited edition print, entitled "First Light", features a jaguar at rest.

To receive your print please send a check, or Visa, Mastercard, American Express information with the coupon below to "Fracé", Zoological Society of Florida, 12400 S.W. 152 Street, Miami, FL 33177, or call 255-5551 and reserve over the phone with your credit card. The pre-exhibit price of "First Light" is \$125; during the exhibit, it will be \$150.

Reserved prints may be picked up during the exhibit (alternate arrangements can be made by calling the Society office). Print numbers are assigned on an "as received" basis.

### RESERVATION FORM "First Light"

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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For more information on how your company can become a corporate contributor so that you and your employees can enjoy additional benefits at Metrozoo, contact Cynthia Zeigler at the development office.

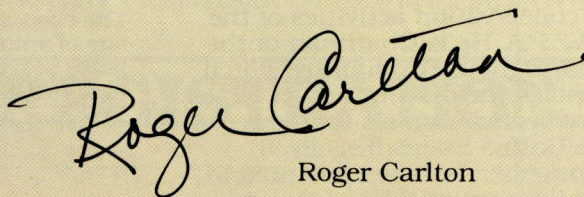
# President's Message

Perhaps one of the greatest honors a person can receive is the opportunity to accept a leadership role in an organization that is near and dear to your heart. On October 7, 1986, I was installed as the President of the Zoological Society of Florida and given the responsibility of representing 62,000 members in a mutual effort to advance the cause of Metrozoo. With this honor goes the responsibility of following in the footsteps of past presidents such as Lester Goldstein, Ron Esserman, Jack Lowell and Dick Mahmarin, which is a tall order in itself.

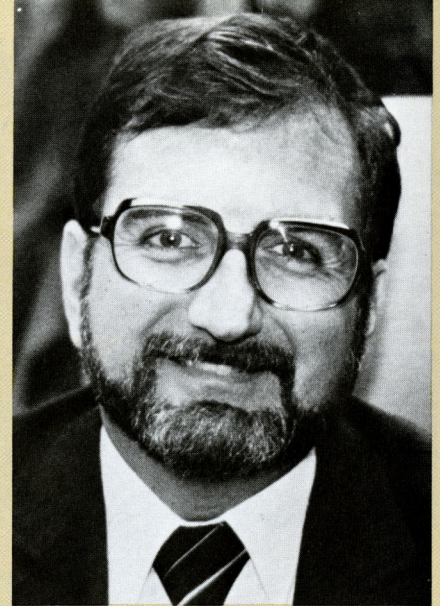
Even more important is the responsibility for providing direction to a dedicated staff led by Executive Director Joe Ferrer, meeting the expectations of the Metrozoo staff led by Bob Yokel, and representing the Zoological Society before the Parks and Recreation Department Director Bill Bird and the Board of County Commissioners which provides overall policy guidance for Metrozoo. This year is also the beginning of the one year term of presidency which provides the challenge of achieving goals during a shorter period of time. When one reviews the composition of the Executive Committee and the Board, it is an extreme pleasure to realize the tremendous level of leadership for the future.

A number of challenges face Metrozoo and the Zoological Society of Florida. As Dade County reaches its taxation limit, it is clear that a debate will ensue regarding the allocation of scarce resources between basic services and the alternate uses which many view as lower priority. It will be difficult to expand the operational subsidy for Metrozoo in light of police protection, health care and transportation needs. The responsibility of the Zoological Society will be not only to provide capital projects such as the Christopher Weeks Memorial Hospital, the Koala project, and the replacement of Sula-wesi Village, but also to assist in the development of a permanent operational funding source. This issue must be resolved during the upcoming year. We must also expand utilization of Metrozoo and support for the Zoological Society from all segments of our community as a primary goal. To continue growth in fundraising, membership, the Board of Trustees, endangered species programs, and completion of the south lobe will also be high priorities.

In future messages from the President, it will be a pleasure to share with our members the history of Metrozoo and observations on various programs and projects. For this first message, it is enough to say thank you for your confidence and to accept the great challenge of being President of the Zoological Society of Florida.



Roger Carlton



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#### **Toucan Talk:**

Director: Joseph E. Ferrer  
Editor: Diane Ledder  
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The Zoological Society of Florida, in cooperation with International Vintage Wine and Liquor Co., is offering a \$5 discount on new membership enrollment. Beginning October 1, look for Torresella wine in your favorite store. International Vintage Wine and Liquor Co. will be making a contribution to the Adopt-an-animal program on behalf of participating retailers and restaurateurs based on the sales of the specially marked bottles.

Torresella wine is imported and distributed by International Vintage Wine and Liquor Co. The special offer is good in Palm Beach, Broward, Monroe and Dade counties until January 31, 1987.

# Holiday Greetings From The Zoological Society of Florida Staff:



1st row, left to right: Lisa Powell, membership Secretary; Cindy Zeigler, Development Director; Debbie Gouwens, Receptionist; Kathy Gouchenover, Education Secretary. 2nd row, left to right: Terry Odell, Outreach Coordinator; Pat Superfine, Volunteer Coordinator; Joseph Ferrer, Executive Director; Kate Schwartz, Group Booking Secretary. 3rd row, left to right: Juliette Gay, Special Events Coordinator; Carole Sheel, Bookkeeper; Sally Liddell, Administrative Assistant; Diane Ledger, Associate Director of Education.

# Holiday Shopping Made Easy

Do you dread holiday shopping? Can't decide what to get for Great Aunt Gertrude? Instead of sitting in traffic, fighting the crowds, and standing in those endless check-out lines at the mall, let the Zoological Society do your holiday shopping for you. With one of our Gift Certificates, you never have to worry about the right size or color, and you are assured of being remembered for your unique gift. Consider giving a Gift Certificate for any of the following:

### A Gift Membership in the Zoological Society of Florida

Give someone free admission to the zoo for a year, plus all the other Society benefits. \$20 & up.

### Adopt-An-Animal

Give a pet that they'll never need to feed, walk, or clean up after. \$25 & up.

### A Special Cart Tour

Our specially trained docents will give a personalized tour for up to 8 people on our electric cart. This is a great way to see the zoo in comfort, learn about the animals, and support the volunteer program. Tours are given on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays, from 10-Noon.

\$10-Members / \$15-Nonmembers.

### An Education Program

See the Education Outlook pages, select a program, and give someone a distinctive learning experience at the zoo. *Prices vary.*

### Something from the Gift Shop

If you still can't decide on the perfect gift, give a Gift Certificate from the Zoological Society Gift Shop. *Available in all amounts.*

For more information about any of these special Gift Certificates, call the Zoological Society office at 255-5551. Our staff will be glad to help you choose the perfect gift.

## Calendar of Events

### November 2

Greater Miami Avicultural Society meeting - 3:00; call 552-8682

### November 8

Zootography Club guided "shoot" at Metrozoo-space limited-255-7955

### November 19

Zootography Club meeting - 7-9 Metrozoo Classroom #1

### November 22

Zootography Club "shoot" Members only - call 255-7955

### November 28 - December 7

Registration for 2nd annual Zoological Society of Florida photo contest - Metrozoo giftshop 10-4

### November 29 - 30

Charles Frace, wildlife artist, exhibit at Metrozoo

### December 7

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### December 17

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### January 18

5th annual Jungle Jog; State of Florida Championship 5 Mile Run

## Photo Opportunities

The Zootography Club will hold several "shoots" on the zoo grounds in the upcoming months. The November 8 photo opportunity will be open to the public: A program and guided shoot will be led by photographer Ray Frank. Participants should meet in classroom #1 at 10:00 a.m. There will be a \$3 fee for Zoological Society members, \$5 for non-members.

There will be additional early morning shoots for members of the Zootography Club only, on November 22 and December 7. Members should meet at 8:15 in the west parking lot.

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The Greater Miami Avicultural Society will hold its November meeting on the 2nd of the month at 3:00 p.m. in classroom #2. The guest speaker for the meeting will be Ron Johnson, Curator of Birds at Metrozoo. Mr. Johnson will be discussing his recent research and collecting trip to New Guinea with emphasis on soft-bill birds. Guests are invited to attend.

The December 7th meeting will be devoted to the topic "Preparing Canaries for Breeding".