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Koalas - Here at Last!

Good things are worth waiting for and the koala exhibit at Metrozoo funded by the Zoological Society of Florida is no exception.

In 1985, the Zoological Society had a vision: To assist Metrozoo in becoming the first United States zoo outside of California to acquire a permanent exhibit of koalas. On March 18th, the Society will realize that vision. Metrozoo will join the San Diego Zoo, the Los Angeles Zoo and the San Francisco Zoo in displaying these popular little marsupials to the public.

Metrozoo will have koalas, thanks to the tremendous amount of effort expended by the Society in obtaining this significant exhibit.

In October of 1985, the Society committed to raise \$150,000 to fund the koala display. The Dr. Herbert and Nicole Wertheim Foundation was the initial benefactor, contributing \$50,000 to kick off the "koala campaign." Lord and Taylor generously agreed to donate the proceeds of the gala black tie opening of their new store in the International Mall to the koala project. To capture the hearts of the Lord and Taylor "Koalaball" audience, the San Diego Zoo provided the guest of honor for the evening, a koala named Blinky Bill who was flown in for this special event with his keeper, courtesy of Eastern Airlines. The Koalaball and Blinky Bill were a huge success, raising over \$70,000.

After the ball, "koala fever" seemed to escalate. South Florida was ready for koalas and both the public and private sector stood wholeheartedly behind the project. Following the example set by the Wertheim Foundation and Lord & Taylor, American Express, Mayors Jewelers, and Ackerly Communications followed suit with substantial donations.

In March of 1986, to tantalize and familiarize the public with the furry little animal from "down under", a Queensland koala named Sweeney made a rare venture outside of his home at the San Diego zoo to visit Miami for a month. Sweeney and his keeper flew first class from the west coast, again courtesy of Eastern Airlines. Sweeney stole the hearts of zoo visitors while dramatically increasing attendance,

proving that the koala is one of the most popular animals found in American zoos.

During Sweeney's visit, popular disc jockey Irene Richards from radio station Love 94, fibbed over the air on April Fools' Day by stating that Sweeney was missing. It wasn't very funny as Richards discovered after being inundated by irate telephone callers. She made a step in the right direction when she offered to sit in a cage until \$14,000 was raised to help pay for the koala exhibit. Her entertaining escapades proved very successful.

February 19, 1987 marked the ground breaking of the innovative exhibit now valued at over half a million dollars. The koala home contains both indoor and outdoor viewing, supplemented by a video monitor for koala "close ups." The display is completely self contained and is equipped with its own food preparation area, storage space, offices, and isolation ward.

In addition to building the exhibit, measures had to be taken to meet the koala's dietary requirements. Their diet is comprised of eucalyptus leaves and of the hundreds of species of eucalyptus available, they find the leaves of only 35 trees nourishing enough to eat. In order to feed the anticipated koala collection, the Society funded the planting of over seven acres of various, suitable eucalyptus trees. Each koala consumes about 2 to 4 pounds of eucalyptus per day, not including the gravel and soil they swallow to aid digestion.

After almost three years of preparation, Metrozoo is ready. Bill Zeigler, General Curator, recently disclosed that we will be receiving three koalas - two females and one male. One female and the male are proven breeders and the controlled environment of the exhibit should provide optimum conditions for Metrozoo's most important goal, that of breeding the animals.

As a member, you are invited to share in the homecoming of our long awaited koalas. Listed below is a schedule of events which have been planned to introduce you to our new arrivals. Please join us in celebrating this significant first in the continued development of our world class zoo.



Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Wertheim with Sweeney the koala and San Diego zookeeper Valerie Thompson (center).

Koala Calendar

March 18, Members Only Sneak Preview of the Koala Exhibit. We invite our members to be the first to see our new additions. Join us on March 18 during regular zoo hours to see our popular new koalas. Remember have your membership cards handy.

March 19, Koala Supper Metrozoo/6-9 p.m. Enjoy an evening tour of the koala exhibit with the curatorial staff. Learn the science and strategy behind the exhibit's construction.

The fee for the supper is \$20 for members and \$30 for nonmembers. For reservations, call the Education Department at 255-5551.

March 20, Special Koala Breakfast Metrozoo/8-10 a.m. Come join us for breakfast and be one of the first to view the new koala exhibit. Learn the story of the Metrozoo koalas. The fee for the program is \$10 for members and \$15 for nonmembers. For reservations, call the Education Department at 255-5551.



Participating in the Koala exhibit groundbreaking are left to right: Denis Arden, Architect; Roger Carton, Board of Trustees Chairman; Lester Goldstein, Past President, Same Getz, Mayors Jewelers; Jennifer Boin; Dr. Herbert Wertheim; Nicole Wertheim; Robert Ross, Lord & Taylor; Robert Yokel, Metrozoo Director; and Dick Montalbano, American Express.

Jungle Jog



On your mark, get set, go



David Walters, winner of the men's open category receives his awards from Executive Director, Joseph E. Ferrer (right) Amy Bloom of Reebok (center) and Board Member, William Barkell (right).

The 6th Annual Jungle Jog proved to be a great success with 1,463 runners crossing the finish line.

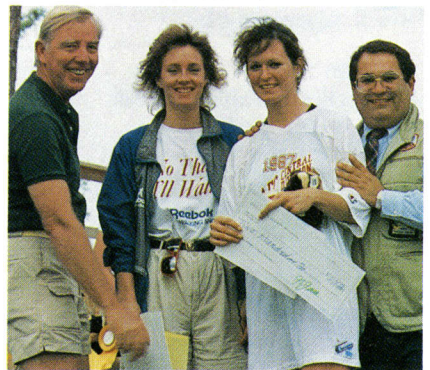
Leading the men's open category with a Jungle Jog record time of 24:32 was David Walters of Orlando. The ladies open division was captured by Ann Henderson of Boca Raton with a time of 27:56.

For the first time in Jungle Jog history, top finishers were invited to split a cash purse of \$1,400 which made the thrill of victory all the more exciting.

1988 also marked another first for the Jungle Jog with the addition of a One Mile Fitness Walk. Walkers were treated to a stroll through the zoo while enjoying the satisfaction of contributing to the Society's worthy cause of animal preservation.

Special thanks must be extended to the generous sponsors of the race who make the Jungle Jog possible each year;

- Racal-Milgo
- Bud Light
- Baptist Hospital
- Reebok
- Del Monte Fresh Fruits
- Gatorade
- Ovens of France
- Pumpkniks
- Publix



Ann Henderson, winner of the women's open category receives her awards from Executive Director, Joseph E. Ferrer (right) Amy Bloom of Reebok (center) and Board Member, William Barkell (right).



Costumed runners with Executive Director, Joseph E. Ferrer (center) and Board Member, William Barkell (right).

The Zoological Society would also like to acknowledge the dedicated volunteers, Board members and representatives of the Miami Runners Club who contribute so much to the race. Their efforts have helped to make the Jungle Jog one of the premier races in South Florida.



Oldest and Youngest Runners, Ruth Rothfarb, 86 and Jorge Sowers, 9 receive their awards from Executive Director, Joseph E. Ferrer.



Executive Director, Joseph E. Ferrer (right) and Board Member, William Barkell (left) present sponsor awards to: (from left to right) Amy Bloom of Reebok, Pat Kavenaugh of Bud Light and Tom Moore of Baptist Hospital.

koala, childlike drawings of Ken Done, portrayed on t-shirts.

Ken Done, the celebrated artist from Australia who had made the "cute" koala so popular here in South Florida, has created these exclusive designs for the koala project grand opening.

Shown from the collection at \$18.00 each are the Cowboy koala, the Cheerleader koala, Surfer koala, and the "cute" koala.

Remember, since the Zoological Society



is a non profit organization, your purchases go toward the support of the zoo. Members are entitled to a 10% discount on all gift shop purchases totaling \$10.00 or more.

Toucan Trader's Choice

To celebrate the opening of the new koala store located at the koala exhibit, we are proud to introduce the famous "cute"

David Schor to Appear at Metrozoo

On Saturday, March 26th and Sunday, March 27th, local artist David Schor will exhibit his works under the trellis area during regular zoo hours (10 a.m.-4 p.m.)



The artist's originals and limited edition lithographs of wildlife studies are in private collections in 23 countries. Mr. Schor will be present to answer any questions and personalize all works purchased during the exhibit. Proceeds from the sales will benefit the Zoological Society of Florida's Adopt-an-Animal program.

As a "members only" special, Mr. Schor's limited edition koala lithograph will be offered at a discounted price of \$25.00 if ordered in advance. The week-

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Corporate Thank You



Mr. Jack Scopetta, President of Rainbow Automotive Corporation, presenting a check to Executive Director Joseph Ferrer for corporate sponsorship of the black and white ruffed lemur exhibit.

The Zoological Society of Florida is proud to welcome the Rainbow Automotive Corporation, a newcomer to our growing list of corporate contributors. Rainbow Automotive Corporation has become the proud sponsor of the black and white ruffed lemur exhibit.

Today, lemurs can only be found in Madagascar and a few smaller islands in the Indian Ocean.

Thank you to Rainbow Automotive for sponsoring this endangered animal, and welcome aboard.

end of the art show, it will be sold for \$35.00. After the show, the print will list for \$50.00.

To order your koala print, please send a check payable to the Zoological Society of Florida or use your Visa, Mastercard or American Express. Complete the form below and send it to the Zoological Society of Florida, Attention Elizabeth Steigerwald, 12400 S.W. 152 Street, Miami, Florida 33177 or call 255-5551. Pre-purchased prints may be picked up during the exhibit.

Travel Program

The Zoological Society of Florida's travel program offers truly unforgettable expeditions to destinations all over the world. Our 1988 schedule begins in July with two exciting trips: A thrilling East African wildlife safari and an Amazon rainforest adventure.

Our seventeen day East African safari will take Society travelers to five of the great game parks of Tanzania and Kenya where millions of animals roam free, as well as Nairobi, the safari capital of the world and Mombasa, the most popular resort on the Indian Ocean.

The excitement begins in Tanzania, where our travelers will safari to Lake Manyara National Park, home of tree-climbing lions as well as flamingoes and many other water birds. The Ngorongoro Crater will provide an awe-inspiring spectacle of animal and bird life as you descend 2,000 feet into Africa's "Garden of Eden."

In Kenya, you'll journey to Amboseli, home of the "big five" - elephant, lion, leopard, buffalo and rhino. Mt. Kilimanjaro, with its blanket of white snow, dominates the area and will vie for your attention. On day 8, you'll drive to Nairobi to relax by the pool or do some shopping on fashionable Kenyatta Avenue or in the African marketplace. Then, it's back to the country to explore Meru, home of the white rhino, where Elsa, the lioness, was returned to the wild as told in Joy Adamson's book *Born Free*.

You'll discover Lake Nakura, a shallow alkaline lake in the Rift Valley and the world famous haunt of flamingoes. In the Masai Mara Game Reserve you'll witness the vast herds of migrating wildlife including zebra, wildebeest, elephant, and lion. Here you'll enjoy a unique night game drive and thrill to sights of the nocturnal wildlife of the Dark Continent.

Your last stop will be in Mombasa on the Kenyan coast. This ancient seaport is known for its uncrowded, unspoiled beaches shaded by palm trees. Your last three days will be spent relaxing, sightseeing and doing last minute shopping before you fly back to the U.S.A. - filled with memories of a thrilling, emotional experience beyond description.

Our African safari departs Miami on July 8 and arrives back in Miami on July 24. Cost of the tour will be \$3,795 per person, including land and airfares.

Whatever your interest in nature might be, you will enjoy the overwhelming sights and sounds that will surround you while on our expedition to the Amazon. Although totally safe, you will feel adventure when witnessing nature's greatest spectacle on her mightiest river.

Our adventure begins when you land in Iquitos, Peru, the starting point of our jun-



gle tour. We will use the Explorama Lodge as our base for four nights and will travel by river launch up the beautiful black waters of the Manati River and the Amazon's largest tributary, the Napo. Our expert English speaking guide will continually point out interesting plants and animals to you along the way.

Day four will take you to the rustic setting of Explorapop Camp for the next two days' excursions. Like Explorama Lodge,

New Member Benefits

A Zoological Society membership is a great value. Not only does it entitle you to free unlimited admission to the zoo for a year, but it allows you many other fringe benefits including free admission to 110 other American zoos, sneak previews to Metrozoo's exciting new exhibits, the Society's bimonthly newsletter, *Toucan Talk* and much more because the Society is always adding to our membership program in order to increase your benefits.

Citizens Federal Financial Corporation Joins the Zoological Society's Family

Two branches of Citizens Federal Financial Corporation have joined the Society in increasing the value of your zoo membership.

Citizens Travel/Choice Tours will be offering some exciting travel packages which include an exclusive 7 day Regency Cruise to the lower Caribbean, a Clipper Cruise Line trip to the Virgin Islands and a

PetCare

As a new benefit to our members, the Zoological Society is now making available a special PetCare package for your dog or cat.

PetCare, by the American Veterinary Health Organization, is the comprehensive health maintenance plan that take care of virtually all your pet's veterinary needs, including check-ups, vaccinations, and surgery. Plus, PetCare offers substantial

discounts on the pet care items you use every day. All for a lot less than you're probably paying now.

Back at the Explorama Lodge, you will have a chance to test your jungle legs while exploring the Bushmaster Trail, the most spectacular of the Amazon trails. This hike is a paradise for camera buffs, bird watchers and nature lovers in general and will reveal the Amazon's huge diversity of plant and animal life.

Your last day will be spent on a four hour cruise up the Amazon back to Iquitos, where your flight to Miami awaits you and the feeling of tranquility from a week in the Amazon will result in fond memories of nature's greatest expression. Our Amazon adventure departs Miami on July 23 and returns July 30. Cost, including airfare, is \$1,498 per person.

For more information about these expeditions as well as our other 1988 travel destinations, please call the travel coordinator, Ruth Hamilton, at 255-5551.

tour to Monte Carlo on the wonderful Windspirit, the newest member of the Windstar Sail Cruise Family, all specially priced for our membership. Each time you travel with Citizens, you make a donation to the Zoological Society of Florida.

Once you travel with Citizens, you will receive a complimentary membership to the Choice Travel Club. Membership to the travel club is a \$25 value that offers many special discounts and great personal service. Call the Zoological Society of Florida and find out how a portion of your vacations can be tax deductible.

As an introduction to Citizens Travel, you can save great sums of money on your car rental expenses, and also benefit the Society. Alamo car rental is offering a special 10% discount to Zoological Society members for the month of March. Each time your rent from Alamo during March a donation is made to the Zoological Society of Florida. Just call Alamo at 1-800-327-9633, reserve your car, ask for the best rate and tell them your Zoological Society membership number and you save 10% on Alamo's already low rental prices.

For more information on any of these programs, call the Zoological Society at 255-5551.

discounts on the pet care items you use every day. All for a lot less than you're probably paying now.

PetCare has recently become a major Adopt-an-Animal supporter and corporate contributor to the Zoological Society. What's more, PetCare will make a donation to the Adopt-an-Animal program for each member who enrolls in PetCare.

Watch your mailbox...you will soon be receiving more information on the PetCare program.



Won't You Adopt Me?

For More Information on How to, Call Elizabeth Steigerwald at 255-5551.

May - Adopt-an-Animal Month at Metrozoo

Jane Goodall, known throughout the world for her work with chimpanzees, will join us in celebrating Adopt-an-Animal month at a special breakfast on Mother's Day with our adopting parents.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, May 8, 1988 from 8 to 10 a.m. and plan to be at Miami Metrozoo. The cost will be \$12.00 and reservations are a must as seating is limited.

This breakfast is restricted to Adopt-an-Animal parents only and we must have your reservations by April 25th. If you would like to participate, there is still time for you to become part of our Adopt-an-Animal program.

The Zoological Society of Florida's Adopt-an-Animal program at Metrozoo enables everyone ... individuals, families, school groups, business organizations, and clubs to be a part of one of South Florida's greatest treasures, a world-class zoological park.

The "adoption fee" is tax deductible and directly related to the cost of feeding and caring for the more than 2,800 wild animals at Metrozoo. The "adopted" animal remains fully in the care and custody of Metrozoo and Zoological Society.

To make your reservations, or for more information on the Adopt-an-Animal program, call Elizabeth Steigerwald at 255-5551.

FEAST WITH THE BEASTS

The Zoological Society and American Express invite you to join us for Feast With The Beasts at Metrozoo on April 15th.

Feast With The Beasts will mark the Zoological Society's first black tie function at the zoo and is our largest fund raising endeavor to date.

The Feast committee comprised of over one hundred volunteers have been diligently working to make this the most spectacular evening of Miami's "Social Season".

Culinary delights to please everyone's palate will be provided by forty of the finest eating establishments in South Florida.

To date, our prestigious list includes:

Baskin-Robbins 31 Ice Cream
 Buccione Ristorante Italiano
 Bud Light
 Mr. Chu's
 Olive Garden
 Christy's
 Captain Crab Restaurant
 House of Seagrams
 Mr. Laff's Restaurant
 Joe's Stone Crab
 Las Tapas Restaurant and Tavern
 Louie's Backyard
 Cafe Chauveron
 Grand Bay Cafe
 Villa D'Este
 Brooks Restaurant
 Los Ranchos
 Red Lobster
 Island Oasis
 Bobby Rubino's Place For Ribs
 French Connection
 Raimondo's
 Valenti's
 Big Splash
 Cafe Flamingo
 Pier House at the Pier House Hotel
 Les Violins Supper Club/Tropic Gala
 at the Fountainbleau Hilton
 Grove Isle Club
 Peacock Cafe
 Captains Tavern
 Samurai Japanese Steakhouse
 Monty's Stone Crab
 The Depot
 Mayfair Grill at the Mayfair House
 Haagen-Dazs
 Publix Supermarkets
 Pumpemicks
 P.J. Jones Riverside Restaurant
 at the Riverparc Hotel
 Accompanying the evenings
 gastronomic delights will be wines and

spirits provided by the House of Seagrams while the official "Feast" beer will be Bud Light.

While our guests enjoy the gourmet fare, sounds of entertainment featuring the Letterman, jazz musician Nestor Torres and Spice, classical group Arabesque, and the Dan Bonsante Group will fill the zoo.

Thanks to our creative decorating committee the zoo will be transformed into a spectacular wonderland filled with lights and color done in a children's theme since this year's gala will benefit the rebuilding of the children's zoo.

A Beastkeeper Patron Cocktail Party will kick off the evening's festivities at 7 p.m. Our Patrons will be treated to an elegant cocktail party at the Treetops Restaurant featuring musician Rita Quinteras and will enjoy reserved seating during the "party" completely equipped with their own Feast With The Beasts bar. Patron tickets are \$500 and must be reserved in advance.

General Admission tickets are priced at \$150 and are limited. We know that you won't want to miss the wildest party in town so call the Special Events Coordinator, Lisa Amaro at 255-5551 and make your reservations now.





President's Message...

It is an honor for me to dedicate this issue of *Toucan Talk* to a dear friend and retired community leader, Mr. John H. Halliburton, now residing in Kerrville, Texas. John recently wrote and shared some unique insights regarding the formation of our Zoological Society. In the interest of knowing more about our Society's roots, I have summarized its beginning, some 32 years ago.

Early in 1955, Captain John H. Halliburton was introduced to Mr. Wynant D. Hubbard. Mr. Hubbard was an entrepreneur who, following his graduation from Harvard, spent most of his time in South and East Africa where he had been a farmer, professional game trapper, professional hunter, movie maker and war correspondent. He was a fellow of several scientific societies and the author of six books on Africa.

Mr. Halliburton had lunch with Mr. Hubbard and it was at this time that Mr. Hubbard mentioned the need for a Zoological Society to foster the development of the fledgling Crandon Park Zoo, to promote conservation and to assist in education and zoological matters. He expressed his willingness to undertake the founding of such a Society, but felt that at least \$1,000 would be required to see the project through the incorporation stage.

Since Mr. Hubbard was a stranger to the Miami area, he requested that Mr. Halliburton furnish a list of ten or twelve people who might be willing to contribute \$100 each toward such an effort. Armed with his list, Mr. Hubbard attacked the project with great enthusiasm and in just a few days, came up with the amount needed. He then proceeded to put a Board of Directors together - a Who's Who list of Miami's civic leadership.

The organizing efforts consumed considerable time and effort on the part of Mr. Hubbard and were culminated on June 28, 1956, when Judge Grady L. Crawford signed the Charter of the Zoological Society of Florida as a non-profit, scientific institution.

Wynant Hubbard was the founder of the Zoological Society of Florida. It was largely his enthusiastic efforts that nurtured it through the difficult first years of its exist-

he camp is somewhat primitive, but the sleeping is comfortable and the food quite good. From here, you will explore the Lorenzococha, a black-water oxbow lake known for its giant Victoria Lilies whose leaves can measure seven feet across and can support an entire ecosystem.

Back at the Explorama Lodge, you will have a chance to test your jungle legs while exploring the Bushmaster Trail, the most spectacular of the Amazon trails. This hike is a paradise for camera buffs, bird watchers and nature lovers in general and will reveal the Amazon's huge diversity of plant and animal life.

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For more information about these adventures, contact Louise Hirsch, 1001 W. Olive St., Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33304; Charles W. Stanton, 1001 W. Stanton, Dade County, FL 33133.

From a small group of founders, the Society has grown to a virtual community of 70,000 zoo supporters whose significant contributions continue to make our program possible.

Jane Goodall at Metrozoo

Dr. Jane Goodall, world renowned primatologist, will be visiting Metrozoo over Mother's Day weekend, May 7-8. Dr. Goodall, famous for her 28 years of field research on the chimpanzees of the Gombe National Park in Tanzania, will deliver a lecture in the zoo's amphitheatre at 7:30 pm. Sunday, May 8th.

Dr. Goodall's research on wild chimpanzees began in 1960, when as a protégée of the famed paleontologist Dr. Louis Leakey, she, her mother, and an African cook landed on the shores of Lake Tanganyika in Tanzania. The research she conducted there led to a Ph.D. in ethology (animal behavior) from Cambridge University, and a lifetime commitment to the animals she has come to know so well.

Much of what we now know about chimps in the wild has been discovered or verified by Jane Goodall. Her National Geographic television specials and books (*In the Shadow of Man*, *My Life With the Chimpanzees*, and *The Chimpanzees of Gombe: Patterns of Behavior*) have focused public attention on the chimpanzee, man's closest living relative.

Dr. Goodall maintains that there is much to be learned about human behavior by studying chimpanzees. Goodall has witnessed cooperative hunting, tool use, murder, even cannibalism in chimps; indicating that aggressive behavior may be deeply rooted in our primate ancestry.

Dr. Goodall has recently begun a research program at selected sites housing

captive chimpanzees. The program is intended to "encourage a cross-cultural study of chimpanzee behavior in zoos and other captive colonies throughout North America." The results of this study can then be directly compared with the results of Dr. Goodall's project in Tanzania. Metrozoo is looking into the possibility of participating in this program in the near future.

Dr. Goodall will be discussing her past and present research during her presentation Sunday evening. A reception will follow her talk to give members of the audience an opportunity to meet her. Please join us for an outstanding evening with one of the most prominent scientists of our time.

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Calendar of Events

March 6

Avicultural Society Meeting
3 p.m./Classroom #2

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March 20

Zootography Club Meeting
10 a.m./Classroom #2

March 26-27

David Schor Art Exhibit and Sale
10 a.m.-4 p.m./Trellis Area

April 15

Feast With The Beasts
8 p.m. Metrozoo

April 17

Zootography Club Meeting
10 a.m./Classroom #2

May 8

Jane Goodall Lecture at Metrozoo
7:30 p.m./Amphitheatre

May 8

Adopt an Animal Breakfast featuring Jane
Goodall
8-10 a.m./Metrozoo
For reservations, call Elizabeth Steigerwald
at 255-5551

Automatic Teller Machine Installed at the Zoo

The staff of the Zoological Society of Florida and Metrozoo are constantly attempting to make your visits to the zoo as convenient and enjoyable as possible.

Through the help of Sunbank, a new automatic teller machine is being installed under the trellis area at the zoo. The machine will be a standard one, accepting the bankcards of most major financial institutions.

Now if you run out of cash at the zoo there is no need to worry. Just use our new ATM machine. Remember, every time you purchase something at the zoo your money goes toward the continued development of Metrozoo.



Volunteer Training

Summer training for the Zoological Society of Florida volunteers will begin again in June...expand your horizons, meet new people, become amateur zoologists and have fun while doing it. The classes will be held Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9-11. For more information call Ruth Hamilton, the Volunteer Coordinator at 255-5551.



The 3rd Annual Photo Contest

Shutterbugs get ready for the 3rd Annual Photo Contest sponsored by the Zoological Society and Kodak Film.

Registration will be held Monday, May 2 through Friday, June 17. Each entry is \$10 and must be received no later than June 17.

Registration forms will be available on the zoo grounds.

For more information call the Special Event Coordinator, Lisa Amaro at 255-5551.

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