



CAT TALES

The Exotic Feline Rescue Center

A National Leader in Exotic Cat Rescue and Care

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A 501(c)3 Organization

Four Road trips since our last newsletter

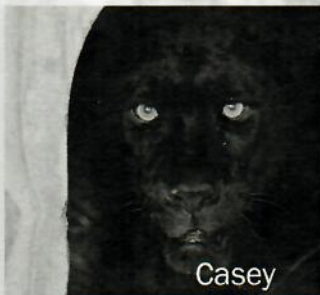
In early summer we went to a private animal park in South Carolina to pick up two cats. Diamond, a very thin white tiger and Casey, a very fat black leopard without a tail.

Diamond is living on the main tour where he is fed multiple times per day. By doing this he quickly learned to come to the fence when we walked by and has gained a substantial amount of weight. We were aware that he had a broken canine but it wasn't until he was immobilized during the PEIVDF mission that we realized the extent of his dental problems. He had 6 root canal surgeries and 2 extractions. It is hard to believe that he could eat anything with that much disease.



Diamond

Casey, the black leopard who was very grouchy, had one canine tooth that had been rotting for several years. He had two draining tracts in his mouth and two under his chin. A draining tract happens when a tooth becomes infected and the pus builds up in the infected site causing an opening onto the skin surface. This is a very painful condition.



Casey

On our second road trip we headed back to Michigan to get two more tigers from a rescue facility that was downsizing. We brought back Pandora and Lilly. They are in good health and well socialized.

We were contacted by an FCF person who made us aware of an animal park in Topeka, Indiana that was closing and needed to place several cats. We agreed to take a leopard, Sassy Cat, three tigers (Eenie, Nala, Moe) and a bobcat, Cap'n Sparrow. When we were about ready to leave, we were contacted by the owner and asked to take an older lion, Jabavy.

Three of these cats were scheduled for dental surgery by the PEIVDF on their fall mission. The bobcat, Cap'n Sparrow, was missing an eye. It had been removed in 2013 due to severe eye trauma. He is quite friendly and well adjusted and he lives near the overnight room.

Shortly after getting the 6 cats, the owner called to see if we would take his last two tigers. We returned to Topeka in late October to get the two 3 year old sisters, Tiger Lilly and Tiger Jilly.



Jabavy

New equipment for the clinic.

In July, with the help of some friends, we were able to acquire a Force Triad energy platform. Our veterinarian, Dr. Froderman, stated this is the most important piece of equipment we were lacking in the clinic. This equipment provides “state of the art technology, allowing precisely managed energy and desired tissue effect. It is minimally invasive and has a vessel sealing system” which makes spaying a cat safer and less traumatic than regular surgery. This is important because of the numerous older female cats that have not been spayed. They can develop pyometra, a disease that is a serious and life threatening condition that must be treated quickly and aggressively to save the life of the cat. It can be very hard to diagnose since these cats are so stoic. Most often it is a discharge from the vaginal area that indicates a problem.



Since we got the new equipment we have spayed 5 cats and plan to continue spaying until all of the females are treated. Sophie is one of the females who recently benefited from the surgery.

We hope to acquire even more sophisticated equipment to help facilitate the health care of our cats.

Veterinary Dental Care Continues at the EFRC

Thank you to PEIVDF (Peter Emily International Veterinary Dental Foundation) and the University of Illinois Veterinary School for your continued dental care.

We also want to thank Dr. Froderman for always being there for the cats and Dr. Weber for her volunteer veterinary work.

Thank you Tigers in America for your continued support.



During the October mission they were able to treat 9 cats during the two day session.

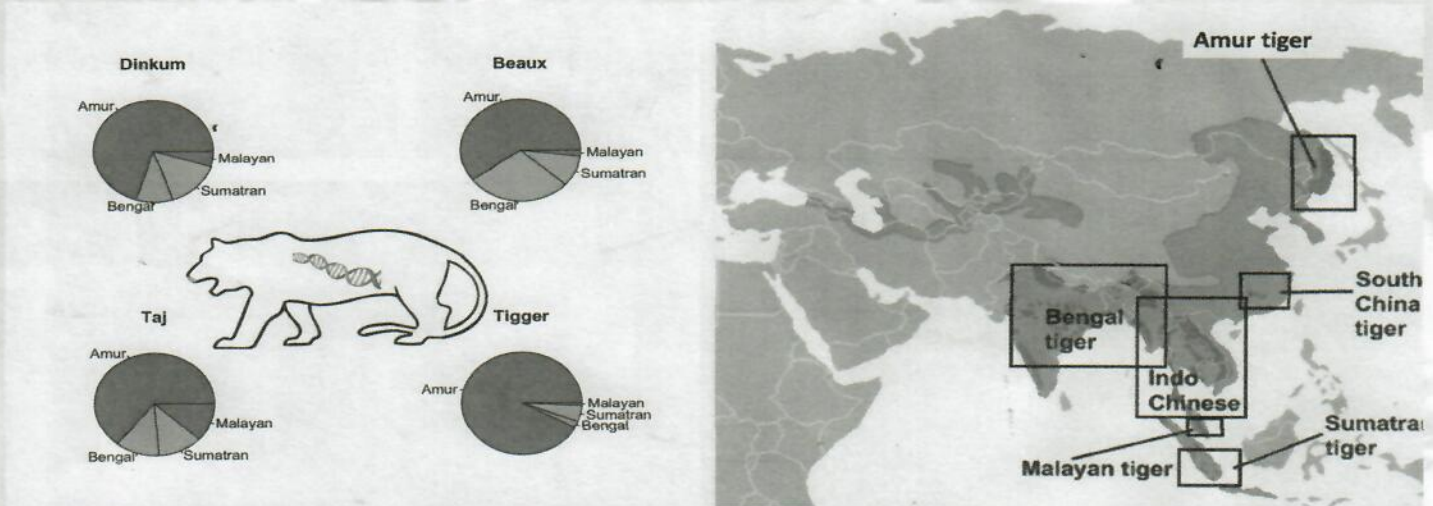
Watch for us on the CBS evening news since they were here to film this story.

Photo of Simba showing off two root canals done on a previous mission.

DNA determines ancestry of EFRC tigers

Tigers Jody, Dinkum, Tigger, Bro, Beaux and Kali were part of a recent DNA sequencing effort conducted by graduate student, Ellie Armstrong of the Hadly and Petrov labs at Stanford University. In the first round of sequencing results show that every tiger sequenced is an uneven mix of all four tiger ancestries sampled including Amur, Bengal, Sumatran and Malayan. This is particularly surprising for white tiger, Beaux, as white tigers are known to have originated in India where the Bengal subspecies is derived. However, Beaux's results are consistent with other white tigers sampled from sanctuaries in the country, suggesting that the white phenotype can be attained even after mating tigers from different subspecies. The group plans to continue sequencing EFRC tigers in the hopes that this sequence database can eventually help to combat the illegal wildlife trade and contribute to future studies in genetic diseases in the captive community. Stanford is working with EFRC to put all of the results in context of each tiger's background.

In addition to the tiger sequencing, a sample from Brooke the lion is the first lion genome to be constructed. This process will aid in both wild lion and captive lion conservation efforts.



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Mission Statement

Our Mission is to provide permanent homes for exotic felines that have been abused, abandoned or for some reason have nowhere to live out their lives, while educating the public about these beautiful cats.

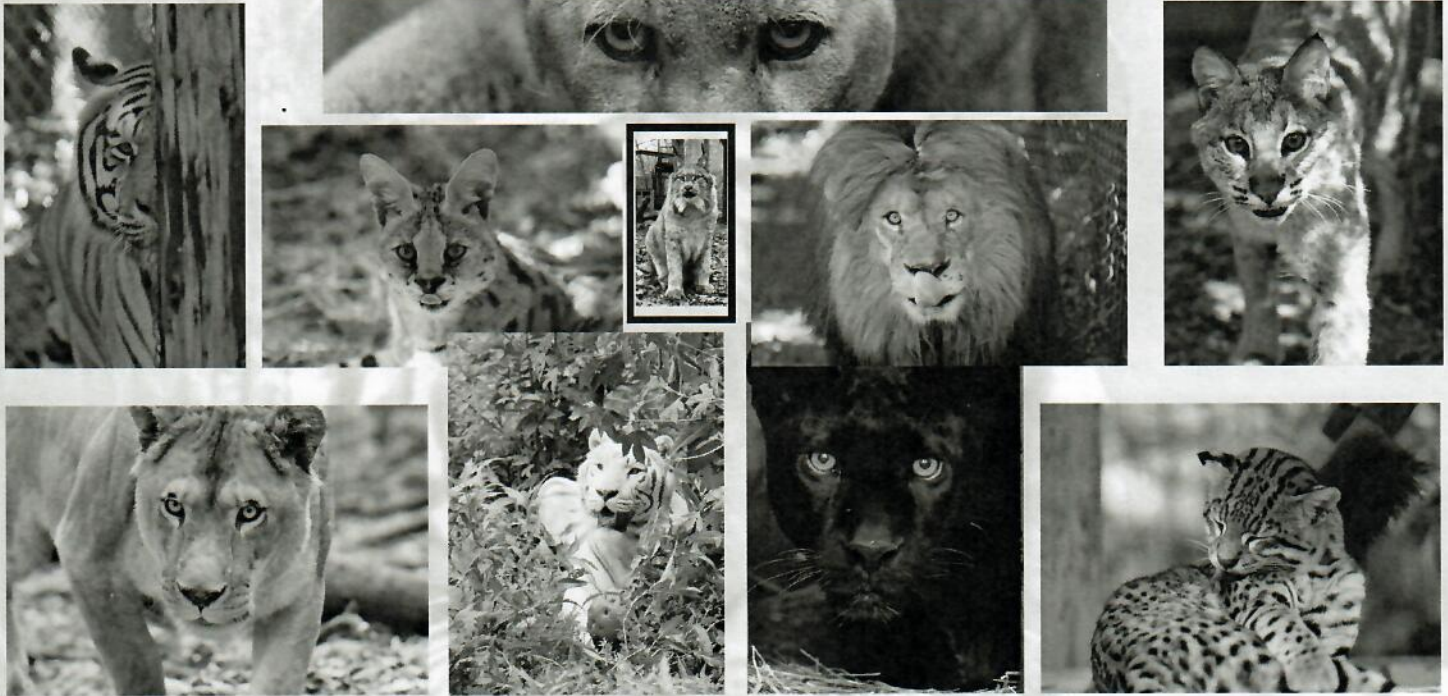
We do not buy, sell or breed cats. We provide the best veterinary care.

We provide stable social groups. We give rescued animals a home for life.

We provide enhanced natural environments.

Without your help our mission would not be possible!

Who Will You Support This Holiday Season



MAKE YOUR GIFT ONLINE: WWW.EXOTICFELINERESCUECENTER.ORG/GIFT

New Habitats, Updates and Renovations

- We have rebuilt numerous boxes and climbing towers. This is always an ongoing project since big cats tend to be wrecking crews.
- We have rebuilt an enclosure on the main tour for Stripes, tiger. This was a major rebuild because it had previously been a puma cage.
- Sassy, one of the new leopards from Topeka, moved into a remodeled enclosure originally built for one of the "Operation Snowplow leopards," see newsletter Summer 2006.
- A new enclosure in the non public area is one of our largest enclosures, over 17,000 sq. feet, is speeding toward completion.
- Two new serval enclosures.
- After the final installation of the underground electrical system, we are doing a regrading and graveling of the roads and redoing drainage from both enclosures and road.



VISITORS ALWAYS WELCOME

OPEN 10 to 5 Daily

\$10 adults & \$5 children 12 and under

Special rates for groups—schools, camps, churches, scouts

You must schedule in advance for group rates.

Thank you to everyone who visits, gives time, material or money to help care for these deserving cats.

2018 EVENTS

- Charity Auction.....January 27
- 5KRun/Walk.....May 19
- Evening Roar I (adults only).....June 9
- Camp Roar (8 to 11 year old campers).....June 27
 (8 to 11 year old campers).....July 11
 (12 to 15 year old campers).....July 18
- Summer Safari..... July 14
- Evening Roar II (adults only).....September 8
- Fall Fest.....October 6
- Pumpkin Party.....November 3

We hope in 2018 the weather will cooperate better with our special events. In 2017 lightning forced us to cancel the 5K run, Fall Fest was delayed 1 week because of rain and there was drizzle during Pumpkin Party.



Kiera



Krogercommunityrewards.com



Kroger Rewards

Thanks to you we continue to get quarterly checks from Kroger. Sign up and shop at Kroger and a percentage of your purchase will benefit the EFRC.

First Event for 2018

The 11th Annual Saving the Big Cats Charity Auction

Saturday January 27, 2018

3:00—7:00 PM



At Westlake Gardens

400 N. High School Road

Indianapolis, IN 46214

We want to assure all of our supporters that we do not share our mailing list including sponsorship and membership information with any other organization or business.

WISH LIST

- Straw for bedding
- Plywood and Lumber
- Baking soda
- Telephone poles
- Cat Litter (non clumping)
- Bleach
- Construction grade wheelbarrows

Office supplies - stamps, copy paper, HP Ink 60 or 61XL (black & tri-color), HP Ink 952 or 952XL (all colors), Epson Ink black & colors 98 or 99, Canon ink 42, 245 and 246.

If you think you have something we might use ...give us a call and ask.

EXOTIC FELINE RESCUE CENTER YOUTUBE CHANNEL

www.youtube.com/channel/UC423QScgsCGCqaobeF_eeLA



Follow us on Facebook and Instagram

See photos and videos of the cats on our website.

Spend the Night!

This is the ultimate gift for the cat lover in your family. A gift certificate for the overnight stay can be the perfect gift or treat yourself to this unique experience.

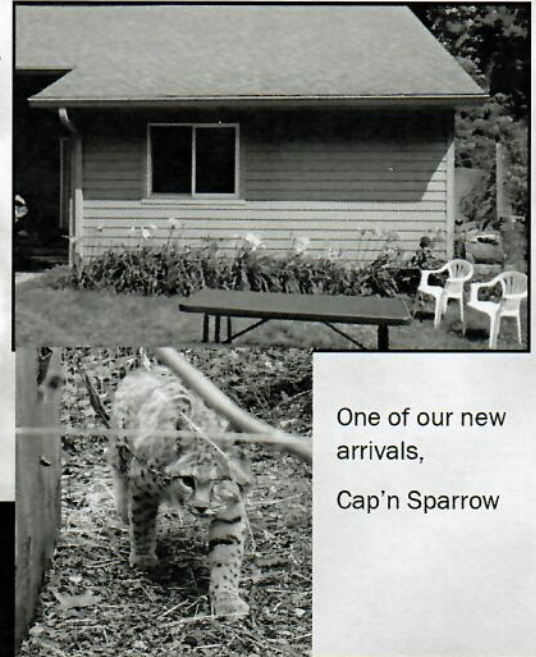
The room is available for **two adults (no children or pets)**. You will get to tour the main area as often as you like (during regular hours) and the morning of your visit you get to go with the keepers behind the scenes. There are cats you can watch from the window or pic-

nic table in the front yard.

Your room includes: a private entrance and bath, queen size bed, microwave, refrigerator, coffee pot with coffee and tea provided, DIRECTV and WIFI.

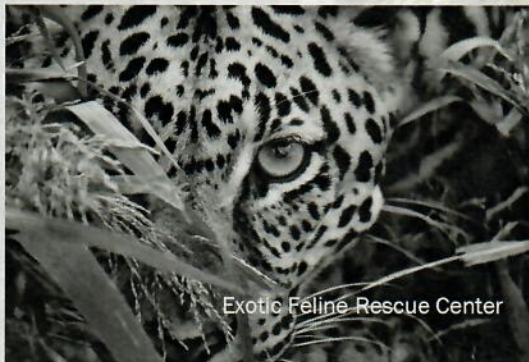
Advance reservations are mandatory and the nightly rate will be \$200. A non refundable deposit of \$75.00 is required at the time of your booking.

Contact the EFRC to check room availability!



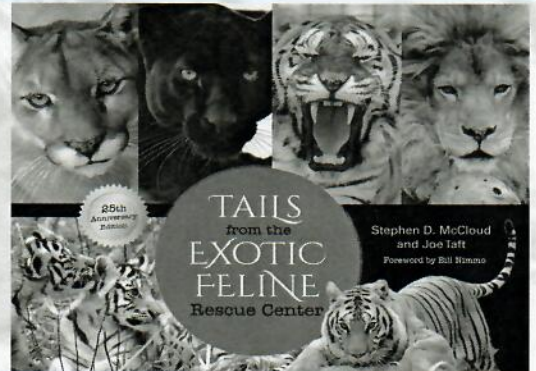
One of our new arrivals, Cap'n Sparrow

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Visit Our Online store



2018 Calendar



New T shirt: We will have a new T-shirt by Christmas. It will feature Zoey Cougar but the exact design hasn't been selected yet. Watch our website for the final design.



Car magnets

Our First 3 Cats:
Kiki, Molly and BC

Our online gift store has well-suited merchandise for the perfect gift for your exotic cat-loving friend or family member.

Go to our website and browse our selection of EFRC t-shirts, books, hats and other gifts. **Even better visit the EFRC for Winter Wonderland and shop in the warmth of the office building and enjoy a hot drink and cookie.**

You do not need to attend Winter Wonderland for this shopping opportunity. **Just come to the office building December 16 or 17 from 10 to 5 and enjoy.**

EFRC 2017 Gift and Merchandise Form

Annual Membership Levels

Pride Membership - \$10,000
Name Bearing Plaque, overnight, 10 passes

Lion Membership - \$5,000
8 passes & overnight

White Tiger Membership - \$2,500
8 passes & t-shirt or hat

Tiger Membership - \$1,000
6 passes & t-shirt or hat


Leopard Membership - \$500
6 passes

Cougar Membership—\$250
4 passes

Lynx Membership—\$150
2 passes

EFRC Newsletters included in all memberships

_____ **This is a gift only, as I do not wish to receive any of the above items.**

AVAILABLE MERCHANDISE: Please visit our website for a more complete list of available items. 

Thank you for your support of the Exotic Feline Rescue Center. Your commitment to the ongoing care of our cats will help to provide them with the best possible life.

The EFRC is a 501c(3) organization and all gifts are tax deductible to the full extent of the law and annual limitations. Please consult with your tax advisor.

If you are supporting the EFRC with a membership please specify the level:
_____ Membership.

If you are adopting or sponsoring a cat please note the species or the specific name of the cat you prefer:

CAT NAME: _____ **SPECIES** _____

My gift to the EFRC is: \$ _____

Adopt a Cat—\$1,500.

8 x 10 color photo of your cat
Certificate of adoption & 6 passes

Sponsor a Cat—\$50.

5 x 7 photo of your cat
Certificate of sponsorship & 1 pass

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SHORT SLEEVE T-SHIRTS:

New for the Holidays: T-shirt of Zoey cougar _____

Tiger (gray) _____ Tiger (orange) _____ Lion (black) _____ Spotted Leopard (black) _____

Geoffrey's cat (blue) _____ African Serval (old gold) _____ (blue) _____ 25th Anniversary Shirt _____

SIZE _____ from child's small to XXXL

Child.....\$19.00

Adult.....\$24.00

2x & 3x...\$26.00

Sweatshirts: Child...\$29, Adult...\$34, 2&3X...\$39 **Hoodies:** Child...\$35, Adult...\$39, 2&3X...\$44
(bobcat green, black lion, spotted leopard on black, dark gray 25th anniversary) (tiger gray or orange, spotted leopard on black, dark gray 25th anniversary)

Tails from the Exotic Feline Rescue Center..... @27.00 _____

Hats: lion (green) _____ Tiger (tan & black) _____ Cougar (dark gray) _____ @ \$18.50 _____

2018 Calendar @ \$18.00 _____

CAR MAGNETS: Paw Print _____ Ribbon with three tigers _____ 4 Cats rectangle _____ @ \$7.50 _____

Total gift and merchandise: \$ _____

Name: _____ email: _____

Address: _____

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