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A Note from Shirley



Dear IPPL Friends,

As 2020 comes to a close, I want to begin my holiday message by saying thank you! Thank you to so many people who have supported us and our overseas partners during a very difficult year for us all.

Because of the unexpected arrival of the pandemic, one of IPPL's first changes was to cancel the 2020 Biennial Conference. A decision that was made for the protection of our gibbons, our staff and all the wonderful people who attend these special events.

In early February, we placed the whole sanctuary in quarantine. Our animal care staff started to wear masks and gloves and take other essential precautions which remain in place today. Our gibbons continue to do well, singing and swinging during an unusually warm autumn. And our six Asian otters are also healthy and enjoying the weather.

I have been living in quarantine as well. But I can look out the windows of the Brach Building to see some of the gibbons and I do go out wearing a mask to walk the grounds and visit the rest of them and the otters.

Sadly, this year, we lost one of our Founding Four gibbons. Tong was the last of the four who came home with me from Thailand. She was 50 years old. Everyone was heartbroken to lose this special little gibbon. A tribute to Tong can be found on page 8.

We hope that the year ahead brings better times for us all—good health, prosperity, and a time when we can all be together again.

Warm regards,

Shirley McGreal
IPPL Founder



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IPPL News

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About the Cover



The exquisite faces of the douc langurs that grace this issue of *IPPL News* are among the most beautiful and endangered primates in the world. They are only found in three countries in the world: Vietnam, Cambodia, and Laos. In addition to the pandemic, this fall they were besieged by typhoons in central Vietnam. Read about this devastation on page 6.

IPPL: Who We Are

IPPL is an international grassroots wildlife protection organization. It was founded in 1973 by Dr. Shirley McGreal. Our mission is to promote the conservation and protection of *all* nonhuman primates, great and small.

IPPL has been operating a sanctuary in Summerville, South Carolina, since 1977. There, 32 gibbons (the smallest of the apes) live in happy retirement.

IPPL also helps support a number of other wildlife groups and primate rescue centers in countries where monkeys and apes are native.

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three times a year.

COVID-19 Devastates Bolivian Wildlife Sanctuaries

By Jenny Boyd



Tucked away along the remote jungles of the Bolivian Amazon, the three wildlife sanctuaries of Comunidad Inti Wara Yassi (CIWY) bustle with howling monkeys, screeching parrots, and croaking frogs, seemingly beyond the reach of human civilization, save for a handful of veterinarians and caretakers. The serene isolation of these refuges could be deceiving—you might get the impression that this may be the safest place to ride out the COVID-19 pandemic. Unfortunately, CIWY's sanctuaries and its rescued animals have not been spared from the devastating effects of COVID-19. On the contrary, the continued survival of CIWY has been thrown into question, after 24 years as Bolivia's leading conservation organization.

CIWY rescues, rehabilitates, and cares for wild animals that have been trafficked or injured. CIWY is a non-profit organization that receives no governmental funding; it relies on donations, grants, and volunteer fees.

The majority of CIWY's funding comes from its robust volunteer program. Volunteers from around the world pay approximately \$500/month for the experience of a lifetime: living in the Amazon and caring for rescued wildlife. CIWY normally hosts about 40 volunteers at a time, across the three sanctuaries.

Didi is a capuchin monkey who was confiscated from an illegal market in Cochambamba, and is now part of our Machía Sanctuary family. Because Didi is quite shy, she prefers to spend her days up high in the tree canopy.

Beyond covering the volunteer costs (meals, accommodations, training) the fees sustain CIWY's operations. This income model worked well for years, even through economic downturns and drops in tourism.

We began 2020 concerned about Bolivia's political crisis and how it would affect CIWY's volunteer numbers. After widespread protests and the resignation of President Evo Morales, Bolivia endured a period of instability, marked by road blockades, surging food prices, and travel advisories. IPPL provided a grant to help CIWY care for its 273 rescued primates during this time. Little did we know that a world-wide crisis would follow on the tails of Bolivia's socio-political turmoil.

Volunteer numbers were already low when Bolivia went into lockdown. CIWY suspended its volunteer program in March, to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. For months afterward, the duties that are normally shared among 40 volunteers fell on

the shoulders of just six, who were already on-site when the lockdown began. CIWY took a double hit financially, because it had to pay more staff to cover essential tasks, while losing most of its income at the same time.

CIWY has cut costs as much as possible. Only essential food and medicine is purchased for the animals. Several staff members have agreed to delayed salaries, and even some utility costs are being deferred until a future date. We are not officially accepting more animals, although when they arrive at our gates, we never turn away injured and mistreated animals. Recent wildfires brought a few new additions, who are currently receiving veterinary care for their burns.

Donors have been urged to increase their support during this difficult time, and their response has been phenomenal. In March we held a one-week giving campaign, which raised close to \$10,000. We nearly doubled our network of monthly donors and animal sponsors in the last few months. A number of trusts and foundations have contributed grants to help CIWY weather the crisis.

The extra support has kept the sanctuaries open until now, but it has unfortunately not been enough to ensure the organization's survival throughout the duration of the pandemic. CIWY's leaders worry about the futures of the 546 animals living in the sanctuaries, not to mention all the animals who continue to fall victim to poachers and traffickers. CIWY is on the forefront of combating the illegal wildlife



Francis (*above*) is a gorgeous night monkey rescued from Shinaota. He and his partner, Rogue, were kept by poachers until they gave them up because the monkeys were too much work. Unfortunately, Francis and Rogue were constantly exposed to daylight and direct sun, so they arrived quite debilitated to CIWY and with very poor eyesight. They received proper veterinary care at Ambue Ari Sanctuary and improved significantly from past traumas. Although they cannot survive in the wild, they now live happily together and love to explore the surrounding jungle.

CIWY veterinarians (*right*) at Machia Sanctuary perform an ultrasound on a capuchin monkey who suffered from an injury. Funding from IPPL helped CIWY provide food and veterinary care to its primates in 2020.





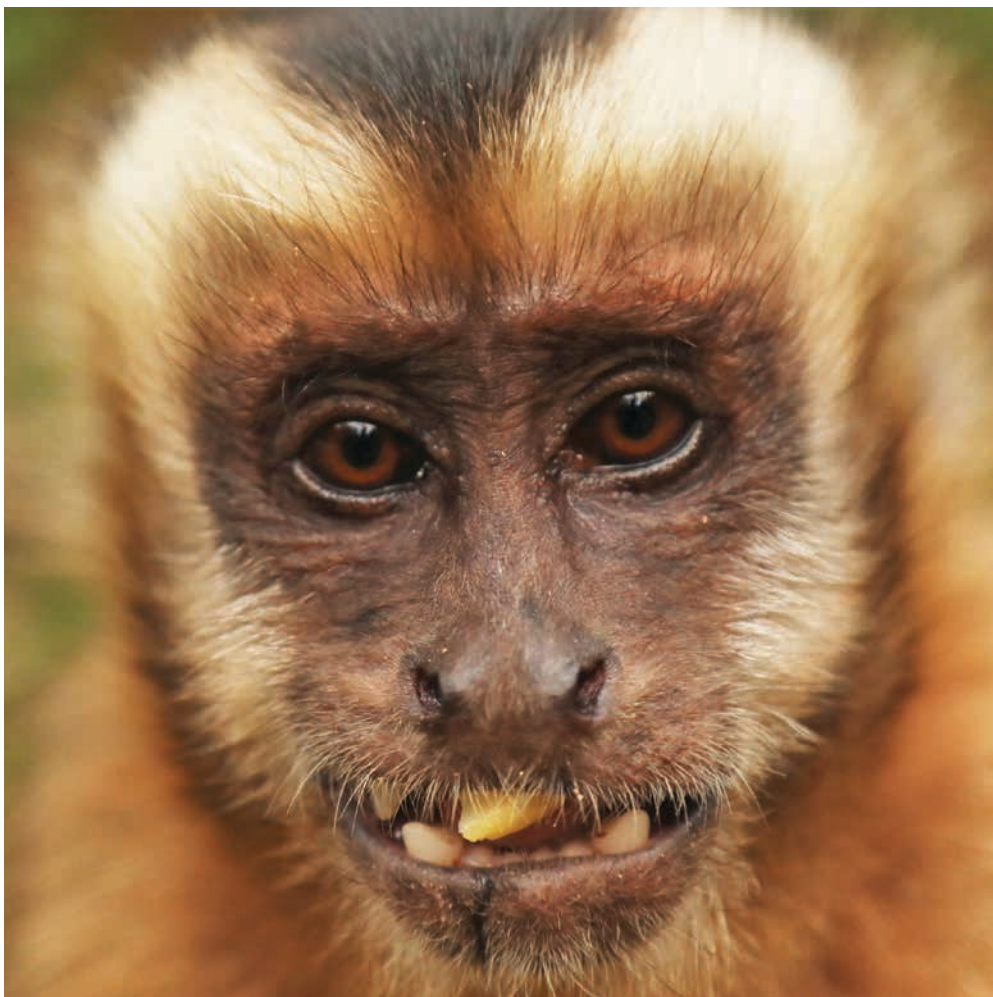
Mickey-Thomas is a spider monkey rescued by CIWY. He is now an essential member of our Spider Monkey group at Machía Sanctuary, where he enjoys exploring the jungle and is very protective of the females.

trade in Bolivia. It is not lost on us that the COVID-19 pandemic arose from the very industry that CIWY endeavours to curtail. This only heightens our resolve to survive and keep fighting for the protection of wildlife and the natural environment. We envision a future in which wildlife will be respected in its natural habitat, rendering our sanctuaries practically obsolete.

CIWY has been rescuing and rehabilitating wild animals since 1996. It has always accomplished remarkable amounts of work with minimal funding. When it comes to caring for the animals, we cannot make any more budget cuts. These particular animals cannot return to the wild, either because of injury or because they were taken into the black market at such a young age that they cannot learn essential survival skills. In the future, when our volunteer program returns to normal, we will rescue more animals and release as many as possible to live in their natural habitat. We will also work to diversify our income streams, so that CIWY's survival does not rely so heavily on the volunteer program. One of our sites comprises 300 hectares (741 acres) of Amazon forest, where we can potentially implement an ecotourism project and a wild cacao production initiative, both in line with our commitment to preserve the area and protect its wildlife from illegal poaching.

For the time being, we simply need to provide the bare necessities to the animals we have already rescued and committed to caring for. We are more grateful than ever to allies like IPPL, who has supported our rescued primates for many years.

Learn more about CIWY at www.ciw.org.



Skinny is a capuchin monkey that arrived in 2005 after being kept as a pet for over 3 years. She is an extraordinary example of our rehabilitation process. Skinny regained most of her wild instincts and now fiercely protects and mentors the monkeys that live with her. She gathers young capuchins, or those who arrived too humanized to our sanctuary, and teaches them how they should behave and interact with their surroundings.

Typhoon Devastation in Central Vietnam and Son Tra Nature Reserve

By Lois K. Lippold and Vu Ngoc Thanh, Douc Langur Foundation



Boats tied together preparing for storm with Son Tra Nature Reserve in background

October is rainy season in Vietnam and this year the country has been hit by more than seven typhoons and counting. These storms have produced extensive flooding, disastrous landslides and impacted agriculture and livelihoods in central Vietnam. Torrential rain and howling winds have left many dead or missing. According to Prime Minister Nguyen Xuan Phuc, “These very strong typhoons have impacted large areas.

Troops are being deployed full force to support people, including mobilizing helicopters, tanks and other means of transportation.”

Large numbers of Da Nang residents, especially those living in the coastal areas of Son Tra and Ngu Hanh Son districts have been impacted. Residents have sandbagged their roofs and relocated all their valuable assets. Of the 1,242 Da Nang fishing fleets, 1,235



City Streets during storm

were ordered to anchor in the Tho Quang fishing wharf and the Song Thu port near Son Tra Nature Reserve.

Vietnam is prone to destructive storms and flooding due to its long coastline. About 11.8 million people in Vietnam’s coastal provinces are exposed to the threat of intense flooding, with 35% of settlements located on crowded and eroding coastlines. The series of unusually close and intense storms have caused devastating flooding and landslides across Vietnam’s central region. As of now, 130 people were reported to have died, 18 people were missing and nearly 300,000 homes had collapsed or were damaged by flood waters, according to local assessments



Son Tra Nature Reserve roads flooded and covered with rocks.



Son Tra Nature Reserve Trees broken by severe winds during typhoons



Son Tra Nature Reserve Landslides along many roads



Douc mother and infant during storm

by NGOs and UN agencies.

“Vietnam is a country that is used to regular floods and hurricanes, but this month’s rainfall levels are extraordinary and it will go down as one of the most devastating seasons in the past few decades,” said Pamela McElwee, professor of human ecology at Rutgers University, New Jersey, who studies environmental issues in Vietnam.

Son Tra Nature Reserve and its population of critically endangered red

shanked doucs have also been impacted by these typhoons.

Douc groups need to find food many times each day. Torrential rain and heavy winds make it very difficult for doucs because individuals have to hold on to a moving tree with one hand and eat with the other. Heavy vegetation protects the groups and they only venture out during times when the winds decline.

Within the reserve, trees have been broken, streets flooded, and landslides

have buried roads.

It could take the central provinces “years to recover,” Hai Anh said, with UN agencies and Vietnam’s national disaster and management authority estimating the damage before the last typhoon at \$45-50 million.

Douc Langur Foundation and our staff continue to monitor the reserve to assess the damage and provide assistance to the douc population and forest.

Goodbye to Our Beloved Tong

By Shirley McGreal



September 2020 brought great sadness to IPPL when Tong Gibbon died on September 29, at the age of 50. She came to us when she was about three years old. Tong was purchased in Cambodia by a U.S. serviceman (GI) who kept her as a pet at his home in Bangkok, Thailand. When he left Thailand to return to the US, he planned to take Tong home with him, but he was stopped at the airport by Thai officials, since the export of gibbons was illegal. So he left her with his servants. They took her to their home and then found a job with Ann Williams, who worked at the Australian Embassy in Bangkok.

I had written an article about gibbons for the *Sawaddi* magazine, a publication of the American Women's Club in Bangkok, and Ann sent her driver to get a copy. We ended up meeting. Ann thought she would be in Thailand for many years, but she was soon transferred to the Australian Embassy in Rangoon, Burma. She asked us if we would adopt Tong, which we did – happily! That was in 1974. After three years with us, Tong made the trip to Summerville, SC and had a wonderful life at our sanctuary for 46 years.

Tong had two partners, Brownie and more recently Gibby, now 60 years old. Tong and Gibby were a very compatible pair who were often seen together in their outdoor enclosure.

In early September, Tong fell ill with pancreatitis. Despite the efforts of our vet Dr. Ohlandt, as well as specialists, and our animal care staff, she left us and was buried in our gibbon graveyard.

Tong was unique as she belonged to a different species from all the other gibbons at IPPL. She was a *Gabriella* gibbon, and her colors and voice were completely different. She was born gold then, after a year, she turned black. Then, at five years of age, she gradually turned gold with a black cap. Her songs ended with a trill. The males of her species are black with gold cheeks and do not have the same loud calls as the females.

Tong was the last of the gibbons John McGreal and I brought back from Thailand so many years ago. Her presence is already missed, but the memories of this special little gibbon will remain in our hearts forever.



Tong at 4



Tong during her color change



Tong and Gibby

Goodbye to Our Beloved Tong

Facebook Posts for Tong

- Barbara L. Minsky** I'm so sorry Shirley. I loved seeing the photo of you and her early on. She was given the best life possible by you. I'm sure this is a tough one, my condolences.
- Helen Thirlway**..... She will be so missed... she was always my favourite... such an amazing personality... sending love and hugs
- Esther Anne Elizabeth Clarke**.. So sorry to hear of Tong's passing Shirley. I remember her song well and how it uniquely "blended" with those of the others. She seemed a real character. My thoughts are with you and the rest of the IPPL team.
- Jeri England** I'm so sorry. She was so lucky to have you in her life. May the memories of her keep you warm.
- Lucie Easley** So sad for all of you who knew and loved this special friend. May she be swinging and singing a new song beyond our view.
- Donna Marie Tichenor** You will be so missed, Tong. But oh, what a lovely life she had because of you, Shirley.
- Tammy Wunsch**..... I am devastated! Tong was my favorite as she started "talking" to me the first time we met last year. I was told she was also called Tiggy at times and that was my last cat's name! My deepest condolences.
- Diane Zimmermann Rydziko** .. So sorry for your loss. She was so beautiful, and I was honored to have seen her in person.
- Janet McDonald** Oh, what sad news, I'm so sorry! When we lived on your property, Shirley, we, J.L. Atkins, my daughter, and I had such a soft spot for Tong. She was my fave. I'm sorry to hear she's passed. Gosh I loved Ting Tong and remember her with such love. May she be swinging now from all the trees in Heaven!

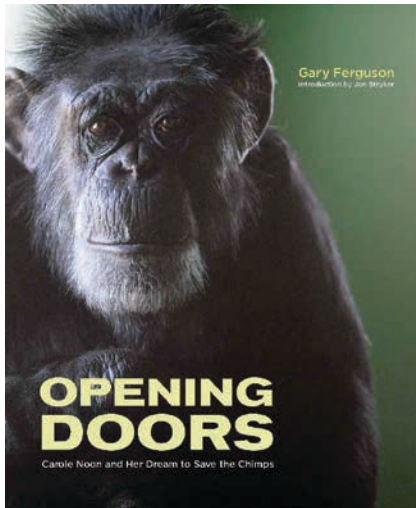
Tong ~ forever in our hearts





IPPL's Book Choice

By Shirley McGreal



In this issue I am recommending you read *Opening Doors* by Gary Ferguson. This book is loaded with photos of chimpanzee rescued by Carole Noon and her colleagues. Carole was a friend of mine and IPPL's for many years. I have met so many interesting people during my life. One I will never forget is Carole Noon. When I met her Carole was a college student fascinated by primates. She came to visit me and the gibbons many times and then went to Chimfunshi Wildlife Orphanage in Zambia where she developed her lifelong passion for chimpanzees and decided to make it her life's work to protect them.

The *Palm Beach Post* somehow learned about Carole's dream and was interested. They wrote an article about the as yet nonexistent sanctuary! Sometime later Carole received a phone-call from a man interested in the concept and anxious to meet a chimpanzee! Carole contacted Patti Ragan, who had access to chimpanzees. After a visit with Patti, it turned out that Carole's caller was a billionaire, Jon Stryker, founder of the Arcus Foundation which works on human rights and ape rights. Stryker agreed to fund the project and a huge tract of land in Fort Pierce was located. Islands were built with sturdy indoor housing. Many of the chimpanzees belonged to the Air Force and

negotiating their transfer to Florida was complicated.

I was able to attend the Grand Opening. Jane Goodall was there. Jon Stryker drove me out there. He was a high-speed driver but we made it (Later Jon visited IPPL and added gibbons to the foundation's workscope).

Chimpanzees began to fill the islands, many from the notorious now-defunct Coulston Foundation, and others from pet backgrounds.

Carole was a super-heavy smoker. Sadly, she developed pancreatic cancer and died May 2, 2009. At the time Save the Chimps cared for 282 chimpanzees. The *New York Times* obituary on May 6, 2009 quotes her response to questions as to why she devoted her life to rescuing chimpanzees,

"I'm always taken aback by the question because I don't view the world in two halves — eating chimps and starving children," she said. She added, "Except for a few percent of DNA, they're us."



Holiday Gifts Purchased on Amazon will also be Gifts for IPPL!



Shopping on Amazon this holiday season? Well you can help IPPL at no additional cost to you. All you have to do is visit smile.amazon.com and select International Primate Protection League as your charity. Amazon will then donate a portion of your purchase price to us!

And while you are shopping — please consider our gibbons because they like gifts too! There's a link to our Amazon Wish List at: www.ippl.org/gibbon/howyoucanhelp. Purchases are tax-deductible!

Thank You from Our Gibbons ~ and Happy Holidays!



Read more updates about IPPL's activities on our Facebook page. "Like" us!
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See more images from the sanctuary and IPPL activities.
Follow us on Instagram!
www.instagram.com/ippl_summerville

IPPL Supporters Bring Happiness to our Overseas Partners!

Since its founding, IPPL has had an annual grant program to support organizations outside the United States, often in impoverished counties.

We are pleased to announce our grants for 2021:

Africa

C.A.R.E., South Africa
Center for Chimpanzee Care, Guinea
Colobus Conservation, Kenya
J.A.C.K., Democratic Republic of Congo
Liberia Chimp Rescue
Limbe Wildlife Center, Cameroon
Pandrillus, Drill Ranch, Nigeria
Sanaga Yong, Cameroon,
Tacugama, Sierra Leone
Vervet Monkey Foundation, South Africa

Asia

Douc Langur Foundation, Vietnam
HURO gibbons project, Assam, India
Little Fireface Project, Indonesia
PROFAUNA, Indonesia
Wildlife at Risk, Vietnam
Wildlife Friends of Thailand
Wildlife Watch Group, Nepal

South and Central America

Friends of Inti Wara Yassi, Bolivia
Fundacion Entropika, Columbia
Neotropical Primate Conservation, Columbia
Sumak Allpa, Ecuador



IPPL Conference in 2021



When we cancelled the 2020 Conference early this year, we never imagined that COVID-19 would continue to have such a devastating impact around the world. And as the pandemic continued to claim more victims, we knew the Conference that we have held biennially since 1990 would not be possible in 2021 either.

Currently we are exploring the possibility of having a virtual conference with presenters and attendees. It won't be the same, but it will be a way for us to stay connected.

If we find that a virtual conference will be possible – probably sometime next spring, we will be sure to let everyone know.

We miss them ~ and we miss all of you!

A Report from Ikamaperu

By *Hélène Collongues*

The pandemic placed an unexpected burden on us when it forced five people from the French team working with the primates at Ikamaperu to be repatriated to France in April 2020. Since then, we have all been talking on the phone every day with the Peruvian team there.

The Indians of Lagunas know full well that orphaned primates kept in families die from the same diseases as humans, especially tuberculosis and herpes. At Media Luna all safety measures have been taken. Since the beginning, our team of Nilo, Rubiño and Agapo have worn masks to feed and care for the primates.

In the Amazon, as elsewhere, contacts between humans and wild animals are more and more frequent in relation to deforestation and hunting. We know the solution to avoid the transmission of diseases from animal to human, and from human to animal, on one hand preserving ecosystems and not disturbing wild animals and on the other hand putting an end to pet trafficking.

This is the action that Ikamaperu has taken for years. This, in addition to the fight against the trafficking of primates, the restoration and protection of the ecosystem of Media Luna and its hundred hectares (247 acres).



Woolly monkey and baby

This year was marked by the withdrawal of several sponsors who were affected by the pandemic, which also impacted the repairs of the earthquake damage suffered in 2019 on all structures and, in particular, the monkey enclosures.

The decision was therefore taken to ensure the safety of the primates

we left them in total freedom and distributed their three meals per day in an enclosure still in good condition. There was the risk of them running away because the Media Luna is surrounded by woods which now abound with wild fruits—but we had no choice!

To our surprise, all this has not stopped the births amongst woolly and spider

monkeys. Since the beginning of the year, two little female, black-faced spider monkeys and three woolly monkey babies have been born and the first baby white-bellied spider monkey was born this August!

The Peruvian authorities, after almost two years of field studies and administrative procedures, have finally authorized the release of three white-bellied spider monkeys in the Pacaya Samiria National Reserve. These monkeys are an extremely endangered species that has already disappeared from many regions of Peru.

We are happy to report that the botanical garden, created at the beginning of the year with many orchids, bromelias and ferns, already shows important interactions with local fauna. Hummingbirds, bees, and insects of all kinds are present and will help the youth of Lagunas to understand the functioning of an ecosystem.

In addition, the work of the parasitology laboratory, under the direction of Justine, our scientific manager, made it possible to reduce the mortality due to parasites in young birds thanks to a follow-up of



Parasitology laboratory



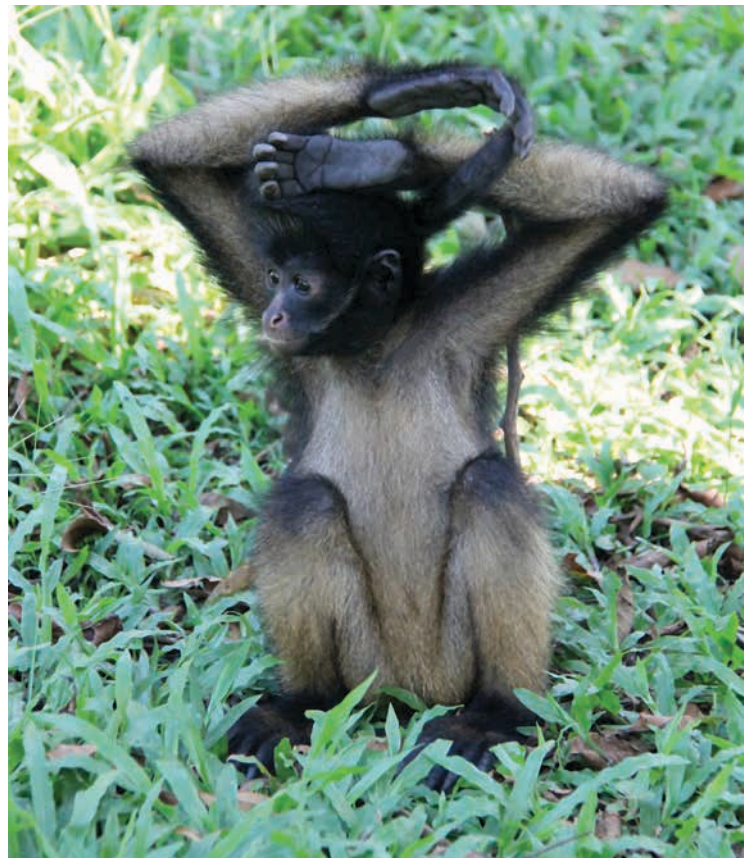
Botanical garden

fecal analysis which allowed treatment on a case-by-case basis.

Finally, 2020 has been the year of strengthening ties with veterinarians from the Paris zoo which, in coordination with the Veterinary University of Lima, is

preparing a study project at Media Luna emphasizing the mysterious pathologies of woolly monkeys.

There is great impatience to continue our actions at Media Luna and to find a Peruvian team which has shown



White-bellied spider monkey to be released

exceptional commitment despite the difficulties in all circumstances.

The International Primate Protection League has been helping Ikamaperu for many years through its small grants program.



Hélène and her husband Carlos share a platform in the forest canopy with some of their woolly monkey rescues.

IPPL AT SCARECROW ON THE SQUARE



For over 10 years
IPPL has participated in this
annual event.
This year we won 3rd Place!



"Shirley" – IPPL's Official Scarecrow



3rd Place!

IPPL staff (l to r) Kerri Rankins, Meg McCue, daughter London & Trish McCoy



Holiday Wishes with Our Gratitude

When I started IPPL 47 years ago we were a very small organization. Thanks to your generosity over the years, IPPL has truly become internationally known for saving countless primates throughout the world. We have shared many of these stories with you. Some had urgent needs, and many were lifesaving. Each time we reached out and asked for your help you responded. And when we established and expanded a gibbon sanctuary in South Carolina that is currently home to 32 gibbons – it was because of your generosity.

This year brought COVID-19—a global pandemic that has brought hardship to so many.

During this challenging time, we have still been able to respond to the urgent needs of our overseas partners. This year, more than ever, we are most grateful to you because none of this work would be possible without your support.

As you continue to read stories about an organization with primates somewhere around the globe that has been helped by IPPL – know that it was you who made it possible!

**Our heartfelt wishes to you and your families for
Happy Holidays and a Very Healthy New Year**

*Shirley McGreal, Founder
IPPL Board of Directors*

Special Gifts to IPPL Given by:

- **Anonymous** in honor of John C. Philips
- **Anonymous** in honor of Carol Leenstra
- **Steven Baer** in honor of sisters, Shilpa and Shoba Thirukkoyalur
- **Phyllis Bedford** in memory of Sue McCrosky
- **Denise Bossarte** in honor of Fran Ippensen
- **Debra Bruegge** in memory of my sister, Bonnie L Brown
- **Terrence Burke** in honor of Helen M. Burke
- **Ursula Coleman** in honor of Shirley McGreal
- **Lesley Day** in honor of Shirley
- **Tamara Faas** in memory of Gustav, my little “Snuggle-up-a-Gus”
- **Sandra Giardini** in honor of Dr. Shirley McGreal
- **Beverly Greenbow** in memory of Lisa
- **Patricia Hartley** in honor of Thomas Cohen
- **Ilona Jappinen** in memory of C. Robert Cole
- **Jeffrey Kanne** in honor of The Staff of the Henry Vilas Zoo
- **Susan Labhard** in honor of Paen, on her birthday!
- **Carol Leenstra** in honor of the Innocents
- **Carol Linville** in honor of Shirley McGreal
- **Lois Lippold** in honor of Shirley McGreal
- **Nancy Locke** in memory of Peppy (Dog)
- **Marie-Paule Mahoney** in honor of Shirley for her endless dedication to the Primates all over the world.
- **Shirley McGreal** in memory of Loren Mendosa
- **Deborah Misotti** in memory of Hope, Tang, Tsong and Stitches
- **Deborah Misotti** in memory of Cathy
- **Deborah Misotti** in memory of Tong
- **Katherine Nadolny** in memory of Nancy J. Woods
- **Elizabeth Orr** in honor of Shirley McGreal
- **Loren Ostler** in honor of IPPL and EAGLE Network
- **Myriam Parham** in honor of Bill and Myriam’s birthdays
- **Brenda Parks** in honor of my sister, Liz Bills
- **Karla Percy** in honor of Linda Percy, Limbe Wildlife Centre, Cameroon
- **Josh Rogers** in honor of Marium Vanamin
- **Harlow Russell** in memory of Rhoda Winter Russell (1930–2019)
- **Michelle Russo** in honor of Andrew’s 20th birthday
- **Anthony Santucci, Esq.** in memory of Elvira Odell
- **Shawn Snow** in honor of Kara Sullivan
- **Jane Stanfield** in honor of the C.A.R.E baboons
- **Karen Suveg** in memory of Keena
- **Patricia Tunney** in memory of my husband, Patrick
- **Ann Van Ness** in honor of Dr. Bruce Max Feldmann and in memory of his beloved dog, Chicha
- **Kathleen Walden-Land** in memory of Pat Walden
- **George and Linda Warriner** in honor of Jake Gannon
- **Paula Weiner** in honor of Rachel Rodkey
- **Edda Williams** in memory of Josie Eddell

Go Nuts for Gibbons!

Our friends at Nuts.com have put together a special care package that gibbon fans can purchase for our sanctuary residents. This goody box includes the following healthy snacks, which are favorites that Spanky and all our gibbons love:

- ◆ 5 lbs. jumbo roasted unsalted peanuts (in shell),
- ◆ 1 lb. raw unsalted cashews (shelled),
- ◆ 1 lb. dried mango (unsulfured, low sugar),
- ◆ 1 lb. dried Turkish figs, and
- ◆ 1 lb. dried diced Turkish apricots.

Nuts.com

9 lbs. of specially selected treats for the IPPL gibbons!

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Spanky goes nuts for peanuts!

IPPL Heroes - Companies and Organizations Help IPPL!

Over the years, IPPL has been fortunate to have many companies and organizations help us. We want to extend our heartfelt appreciation to all of them for their generosity in helping us in so many ways.



Costco, Mt. Pleasant – Every week since 2015 Costco has been providing our gibbons with tons of amazing produce and enrichment items. Normally, we have volunteers help unload but with COVID-19 it's just IPPL staff



Katie's Krops, Stacy and Katie – Since the fall of 2016 they have been helping the gibbons by providing seedlings, seeds, and gardening materials to help IPPL grow at our sanctuary.



Mount Pleasant Fire Rescue, Randy Dahlman – Provides firehoses, and free continuing Ed class for IPPL staff on fire safety, AED, 1st Aid/Bloodborne, and CPR



Catchafire, Earl Capps – Important OSHA classes are taught to IPPL Staff



North Charleston Police Dept., – Jason Dandridge provided an Active Shooter continuing Ed class for IPPL staff.



Healthy Steps, John Alexander – We were recently surprised with two centrifuges that will be used in our Animal Care Medical Room.



Royall Sweetgrass Ace Hardware, Jeff, Laura, and Nikki – Since this spring they have donated plants to IPPL.



MUSC Health, Dr. Patrick MacConnell – They donated two much-needed surgical tables for use in our Animal Care Medical Room.



Roper St. Francis HealthCare, Merry Kestner, LPN – Since 2019 they have provided discounts on TB and Flu shots for the staff.



Screen East – A family owned business since 1981, they have discounted bulk shirt orders for IPPL since 2015.

Awendaw-McClellanville Fire Dept., Michael Bowers – Since 2019 they have donated fire hoses and a practice fire extinguisher.



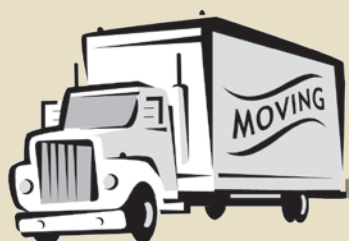
VERTICAL ROOTS

Trust Your Farmer. Know Your Food.

Vertical Roots, Laura Geror – Since 2017 they have donated an assortment of fresh greens including butter lettuce, baby romaine and more.



Hickory Bluff Berry Farm, Karen Earley Parker – This summer they donated fresh produce including peaches, squash, and zucchini for our gibbons.



Moving Soon? Let Us Know!

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- ◆ acquire new sanctuary land, now totaling 45 acres, which not only creates space for our gibbons but provides a buffer zone that shelters local wildlife;
- ◆ construct a much-in-demand guest cottage for our visitors, known as “Swan and Mary’s Cottage” after the lovely couple who left IPPL the funds to build it;
- ◆ provide support to dozens of primate sanctuaries and rescue organizations around the world, wherever primates are native.



Ahimsa, son of Arun Rangsi and Shanti

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With gratitude,

Dr. Shirley McGreal
IPPL Founder and President Emeritus



Gary, retired from a tourist venue

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IPPL Gibbon T-shirt:

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Child US \$12 • Overseas: US \$26



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with a side pocket and an inside pocket
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Meet the Gibbons Available for Adoption



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Courtney

Courtney was born at IPPL on 10 January 2002, the result of a failed vasectomy. When she was 12 days old, her mother rejected her, leaving this tiny infant with a terribly mangled leg. Since she could not be returned to her mother, she was hand-raised by IPPL staff, special night-nannies, and volunteers for over six years. Many caregivers took turns feeding her, playing with her, and taking her for walks around the sanctuary grounds. Always curious and energetic, she was a real handful! Courtney has made an amazing recovery since the difficult time of her early life. She now runs, swings, and climbs so well you would never guess how badly she had been injured. Despite Courtney's high level of activity, she is the biggest gibbon in our sanctuary. If asked what her favorite food is, we would have to say "grapes, and well... everything!" Since May 2009, Courtney has been paired with a former lab gibbon by the name of Whoop-Whoop. His mild-mannered personality is a good match for her wild ways as he always lets her have first dibs at their lunch pail. We hope you will consider adopting this spunky and determined "not so little" ape!



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too at
www.ippl.org!*
Peppy

Peppy was born in 1979 at a cancer lab run by the University of California at Davis, where the gibbons were used in painful and usually fatal viral cancer experiments. When the lab closed, he was sent to another research facility, the Laboratory for Experimental Medicine and Surgery in Primates (LEMSIP) in New York. Fortunately, LEMSIP closed in 1982 and he and his companion-for-life, Helen, came to IPPL. They lived together at our sanctuary for 35 years until Helen suddenly died of cancer. Peppy sucked his thumb the day he arrived and has never "kicked this habit."

Peppy is the only gibbon who favors veggies over fruit, and in the morning, in addition to looking forward to breakfast, Peppy has his own ritual. When let out of his night quarters, Peppy begins every single day by running from one end of his outdoor enclosure to the other—the whole length of it, arms flung up, out of sheer excitement: it's as though every day he's grateful not to be stuck in a lab! Wouldn't you like to adopt this grateful little guy?



Visit IPPL.org for more information



Val was born at a wildlife park in southern Florida where he lived with his parents and a few siblings. In the fall of 2017, the facility suffered extensive damage from Hurricane Irma and fell on hard times. We got a call in October of 2017 asking if we could take in two of their gibbons and after some quick preparations two staff members drove down to Florida, picked Val up, and brought him to his new home in November. Val's father, Snowy, followed a month later. After the long drive back to IPPL, Val quickly bonded with the animal care staff. We got him settled into his night house and he even presented his back for grooming.

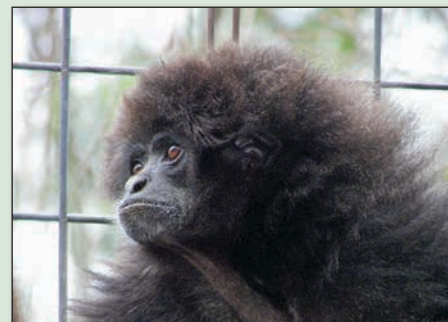
Today, Val is one of the most engaging and entertaining gibbons out on the grounds. He loves interacting with the staff and demands that they play tag with him! He spends his mornings swinging through his enclosure and, when a staff member approaches, he drops down in front of them to get their attention. Once he has them focused on him, he'll hop and roll around on the ground, swing upside down from his ropes and reach out for them, then the chase is on! His enthusiasm for the game quickly wears out the staff and he doesn't seem to understand why we need to take breaks to catch our breath! Wouldn't you love to bring some more excitement to Val's life by adopting him?



*Don't forget about me!
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Val*



Shanti, whose name means "Peace" in Sanskrit, was born on 7 February 1978 at the Laboratory for Experimental Medicine and Surgery in Primates (LEMSIP) in New York. IPPL was looking for a potential mate for IPPL's very first rescued lab gibbon, Arun Rangsi (Rui). In 1983, Shirley and a former animal caregiver drove to New York to bring Shanti back to IPPL to begin her new life at our sanctuary. They found her living alone in a small cage—what a change she was about to have! Once at IPPL, we observed that Shanti had a very laid-back disposition. Her favorite food became figs and her favorite pastime became picking fresh figs from trees next to her outdoor habitat. When she was introduced to Rui – it was love at first sight. For over three decades they rarely left each other's side and even shared food. Sadly, in December 2018 Rui became very sick and he was gently put to sleep. After all the years that he and Shanti spent together, we thought it was fitting to offer Shanti as our newest gibbon available for adoption. We have a feeling that Rui would approve and hope that many of you will want to make Shanti your new adopted gibbon!



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Meet Shanti!

Shanti, whose name means “peace” in Sanskrit, was born on June 24, 1978 at the Laboratory for Experimental Medicine and Surgery in Primates (LEMSIP) in New York where she spent the first five years of her life. In 1983 the lab reached out to IPPL and asked if we would take her in after they decided to retire her and of course we said yes! We had been looking for a mate for Arun Rangsi, our first rescued lab gibbon, and thought the two would get along well. As we thought, they hit it off immediately and spent 35 wonderful years together until Arun Rangsi passed away in December of 2018. They had several gibbon children until Arun Rangsi had a successful vasectomy.

Nicknamed “Mama Shant” by the Animal Care staff because of all the children she’s had at IPPL, Shanti is a laid-back gibbon who loves attention. Her favorite food is figs!

Shanti is available through IPPL’s Gibbon Adoption Program (see page 23).