

Annual Report 2007



Lorises receive increased protection from trade under the CITES treaty.



The smuggled "Taiping Four" gorillas are re-homed to a sanctuary in Cameroon.



Seven monkeys are rescued from Beirut and relocated to a sanctuary in Wales.

Celebrating a year of
victories for primates

2007 in Review

Thanks to the support of our generous members around the world, IPPL was able to accomplish a great deal during 2007.

Among our campaigns was one to stop the trafficking of Cambodia's free-living monkeys by Chinese business interests. Dealers were even catching monkeys in Cambodia's Tonle Sap Biosphere Reserve and smuggling them out of the country on fake captive-born documents. A Cambodian animal-lover even sent us photographs of a horrible "monkey farm" where animals are warehoused prior to export. (During 2007, importation of live monkeys like these to the United States increased to over 26,000; many of these unfortunate animals end up in biowarfare experiments in secret laboratories.) Our members deluged Cambodian authorities and embassies with letters protesting this outrage.

IPPL also helped support Nepal's animal activists who were campaigning hard to block plans by two U.S.-based laboratories to set up primate facilities in Nepal. Nepal had previously revered and protected its monkeys.

Malaysia, which had banned monkey exports in 1984, announced that its ban would be lifted. Fortunately, as a result of local and international pressure, by IPPL and others, this plan was not put into action. Hundreds of monkeys were confiscated from animal dealers.

IPPL also continued our long campaign, begun in 2002, to have four smuggled gorillas returned to their homeland in Cameroon. They had been shipped via Nigeria and South Africa to the Taiping Zoo in Malaysia and became known as the "Taiping Four." IPPL publicized and investigated this case, demanding action over several years. The gorillas were eventually confiscated by Malaysian authorities and, ironically, shipped to a zoo in South Africa in 2004! Finally, after years of continuous pressure, the four gorillas were sent to Cameroon's Limbe Wildlife Centre on 30 November 2007.

During 2007, IPPL published three issues of *IPPL News*. One of our favorite articles was one about the amazing gelada baboons of Ethiopia written by Dr. Chadden Hunter.

In June 2007 I attended the 14th Conferences of the Parties to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species, which was held in The Hague, in the Netherlands. Among the proposals of interest to IPPL was one from Cambodia to upgrade several loris species from Appendix II (less protected) to Appendix I (most protected, with a total ban on trade). The proposal was successful, and we hope that this has made the world a safer place for lorises. Following the conference I visited the wonderful Stichting AAP Primate Sanctuary in Almere.

As usual, IPPL helped many overseas rescue centers. We were fortunate to receive another large grant from the Arcus Foundation, which provided funds for six ape sanctuaries in Asia and Africa: Kalaweit in Indonesia, which cares for over 200 gibbons and siamangs; the Endangered Primate Rescue Center in Vietnam, where about 20 gibbons have found sanctuary in their native land; the Highland Farm Sanctuary in Thailand, which is home to over 40 gibbons; Lola ya Bonobo in the Democratic Republic of Congo, which houses over 50 bonobos (formerly known as pygmy chimpanzees); HELP in the Congo Republic, which has done pioneering work in returning orphaned chimpanzees to the wild and providing compassionate care to non-releasable chimps; and Tacugama in Sierra Leone, which cares for over 90 chimpanzees, most of them orphaned by the bushmeat trade.

Arcus funding also enabled IPPL to help support the Last Great Ape Organization (LAGA) in Cameroon. LAGA works for the enforcement of that nation's wildlife protection laws. During 2007, LAGA's investigations and active cooperation with law enforcement led to the arrest of nearly one wildlife trafficker a week.

IPPL assisted numerous other, smaller, projects, as well. We provided

help to a handicapped silvery gibbon at a wildlife refuge in Indonesia. We supported a poster campaign to help the primates of Equatorial Guinea. We assisted Primates for Primates in Australia, a dynamic organization with which we have cooperated for many years. IPPL provided funds to the Siglo XXI Primate Rescue Center in Chile, which houses retired research primates and ex-pets, and to Ikamaperou, which not only cares for some of Peru's native monkeys but is purchasing rain forest land for permanent protection. IPPL also helped CERCOPAN in Nigeria, which cares for guenon monkeys and holds education programs at their center and in schools; CERCOPAN is also releasing monkeys into a huge natural preserve in the Afi Mountains.

The gibbons living at IPPL's Headquarters sanctuary in South Carolina continued to do well. Our retired research gibbons, Peppy and Helen, celebrated their 25th year of retirement at IPPL. On 31 March 2007 we received a group of twelve gibbons from a facility in Texas. The animals settled down well at IPPL, and getting to know them was a delight. We hired an extra staff member to help with their care. The animals came from assorted backgrounds. Several were former pets and two had spent several years in laboratories. As of the end of December, all the animals were still at IPPL. However, their future at IPPL was not clear by the end of the year.

In 2007 IPPL completed a four-unit building with attached outdoor enclosures on the land IPPL had acquired in December 2005. Our gibbon adoption program continued to be successful, with Arun Rangsi, Igor, Tong, and Courtney still our featured animals.

Thank you to our wonderful supporters whose gifts make IPPL's work possible. We have also benefited greatly from the goodbye gifts left to us by deceased members who live on through our work.

Shirley McGreal

IPPL Financial Statement for 2007

Public Support and Revenue

Public support	Total
Contributions	\$759,550
Grants	\$182,259
Legacies and bequests	<u>\$374,943</u>
Total public support	\$1,316,752

Revenue

Membership dues	\$80,980
Investment income	\$107,315
Net realized and unrealized gains/losses on investments	-\$32,613
Miscellaneous income	\$877
Merchandise	\$1,372
Cost of goods sold	<u>\$0</u>
Total revenue	\$157,931

Total support and revenue **\$1,474,683**

Expenses

Program services	Total
Primate care, investigation, and education	\$805,960

Supporting services

Management and general	\$159,107
Fundraising	<u>\$16,968</u>
Total supporting services	\$176,075

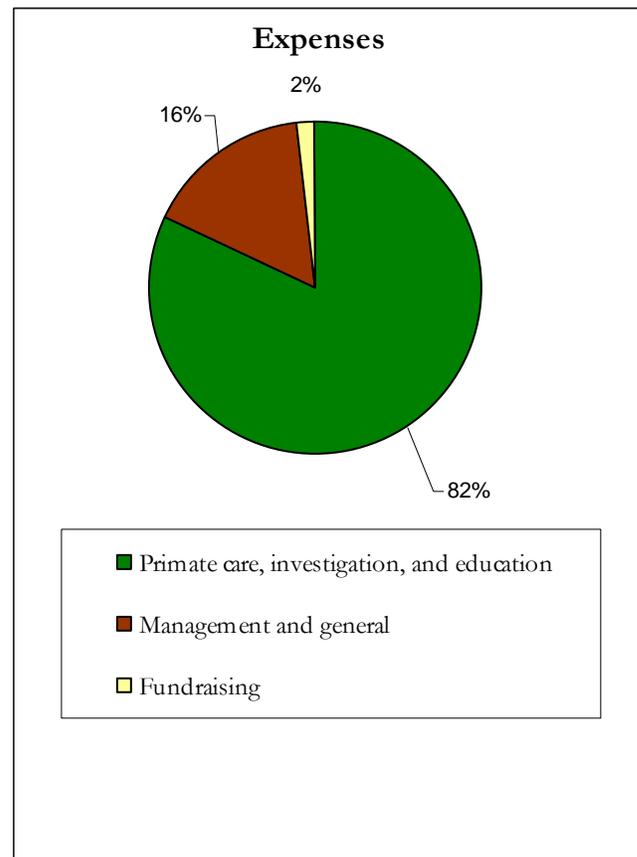
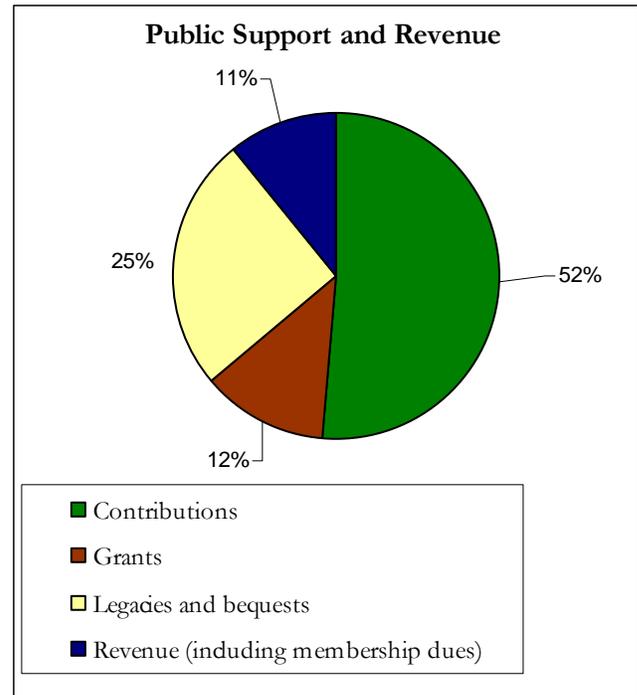
Total expenses **\$982,035**

Change in net assets: \$492,648

Net assets at beginning of year: \$3,237,397

Net assets at end of year*: **\$3,730,045**

* Includes buildings (administrative offices and animal housing) and 27 acres of sanctuary land.



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make victories for primates
happen—in 2007 and beyond!*

OUR MISSION:

**Promoting the
conservation and
protection of all
nonhuman primates,
around the world.**

OUR

HISTORY:

**Founded in 1973 by
Shirley McGreal, IPPL is
an international
grassroots wildlife
protection organization
that works to eliminate
the global trafficking in
primates and to
promote their well-
being in captivity. IPPL
also operates a
sanctuary for dozens of
rescued gibbons in
South Carolina.**

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