



# ANNUAL REPORT 2017

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**Pueblo  
ZOO**

**Empower. Engage. Conserve.**



# OUR MISSION

Our mission is to empower people to engage in conservation of animals and their natural habitat.

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Dear Friends,

We are so excited to share with you some of the many highlights from 2017. THANK YOU for being a key part of our success!

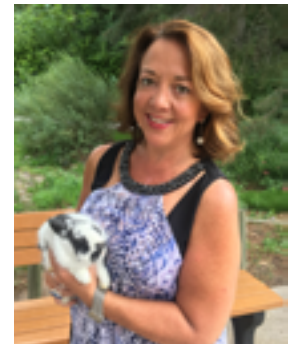
Have you seen Kamara, Zuri and Hodari yet? These adorable lion cubs graced our presence in October 2017 and have turned into big crowd pleasers for every age! Frolicking about, they're keeping their parents quite entertained. Sid and Ginger (bison calves) are thriving and responded well to hand rearing from our very talented and dedicated staff. And of course, the adorable red pandas are always a must-see when you come to your Pueblo Zoo!

Conservation, pollination and national accreditation efforts were at the forefront of our goals and mission in 2017. We're proud to announce we passed the rigorous accreditation process with flying colors! This sets us apart and gives you the satisfaction of knowing how exceptional this community gem is! Our professional and knowledgeable Board of Directors and staff members continue to raise the bar higher and always strive to provide the best guest experience possible. De Brazza's monkeys will be here before you know it! Through each milestone, it is your support keeping our gates open and animals fed and loved. We truly appreciate your continued commitment to our mission. Enjoy this report and please come visit us soon!

With gratitude,



Janet Fieldman  
President, Board of Directors





A photograph of four penguins in a rocky enclosure. Three penguins are visible in the foreground and middle ground, standing on a sandy surface. They have black and white plumage with distinctive black bands around their eyes and chests. One penguin on the left has a red tag on its neck. Another penguin is partially visible on the right edge of the frame. The background consists of large, light-colored rocks.

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**Sid & Ginger** - Sid and Ginger arrived in Pueblo a few weeks after they were born at CSU-Fort Collins. Their mothers had rejected them, and they needed to be hand-reared. After three years of hand-rearing bison calves, our keepers were well-equipped to help. Sid and Ginger's playful antics delighted visitors throughout the fall.



Photo: Ashley Bowen

# JOINING THE FAMILY

Either by birth or transfer, our zoo family is always changing. Here's a look back on some of the highlights of our year:

**Arnold & Palmer** - Born February 28th, two lemur twins appeared clinging to the stomach of their mom, Shasta, with dad, Razan, watching closely. Pretty soon, they moved to mom's back and were soon bouncing off the walls of their exhibit. The two boys weighed less than 100 grams when born. One year later, they weighed in at 2,000 grams! Keepers chose the names Arnold & Palmer as an homage to the beverage theme of their mother's name.



**Coal, Ash, Ember, Cinder** - First time mom, Ella, gave birth to four meerkat pups on July 29. Keepers quickly realized one was not doing well—he was much smaller, and he wasn't getting food from mom. To keep up with hourly feedings, he lived in our Curator's office for the first three days of his life, and keepers spent the summer coming in as early as 6 am and as late as 10 pm to keep him fed and growing. In the fall, he fractured his leg. Keepers fixed him up with the tiniest splint you've ever seen. Now, he's thriving and you can't tell the difference between "little" Cinder and his siblings, Coal, Ash, and Ember.







**Skywalker** - Shortly after he joined the staff, our Education Keeper, Zack, donated Skywalker, a bearded dragon. Zack first met Skywalker when he was dropped off at Pikes Peak Community College and presumed dead. Zack placed Skywalker in a pool of warm water, and an hour later he climbed out as if

nothing had happened. Skywalker is prone to injury due to metabolic bone disease caused by a lack of calcium in his diet when he was young. But that doesn't stop him, he loves to climb and chase after superworms.



**Berry** - On May 26th, a two-year-old African penguin named Berry arrived from Busch Gardens in Tampa, FL. He quickly became a staff favorite, but it was not love at first sight with his mate, Percy. The two mainly ignored each other except during feedings, when they

would compete for attention from their keepers. But, love found a way. Today, the pair are happily nesting together and our keepers are hoping for chicks in the future.

**Kamara, Zuri and Hodari** - Three African lion cubs were born on October 25. They quickly captured the hearts of Puebloans and made the news as far away as Oregon and Pennsylvania. The public submitted their favorite ideas for names and zoo members later voted to decide each cub's name.







**Honey** - At nearly 28 years of age, Honey passed away on June 14. During her life, she captured the hearts of our keepers and even a local pharmacist, who donated medicine that kept Honey comfortable as she aged. To the public, Honey was shy, but to her keepers she loved to clown around. She would juggle PVC pipes and loved all things whipped cream. One keeper's favorite memory was finding Honey napping in her tub using a small piece of cardboard like a blanket. Each time the cardboard slipped, Honey would wake up and pull it back on.

# SAYING GOODBYE

Each year we say goodbye to a handful of beloved animals. Sometimes, this goodbye is bittersweet, like when Elva went to her new home in Wisconsin (she's thriving!) and sometimes it's heartbreaking, like when we lost Honey after a long battle with cancer. Here's a look at a few from this year:



**Keesha** - After 36 years together, our keepers said goodbye to Keesha the golden eagle on April 7. Keesha arrived at the zoo in 1980 following injuries in the wild that left him flightless. He outlived all three of the females he was paired with, and he fathered two chicks that were successfully released to the wild. In 2002, he remarkably survived West Nile virus. Keepers believe that he was at least 42 years old at the time he passed.



**Ted** - Another long-time resident, Ted, passed away on May 20 at 18 years of age. The colorful tragopan thrived in his mixed exhibit with gibbons and muntjac. His small size didn't stop him from occasionally picking on the muntjac by stealing their nest boxes and favorite shade spots.



**Elva** - Elva was born at the Pueblo Zoo on March 8, 2016. On May 3, she went to her new home at Henry Vilas Zoo. This transfer was part of a breeding recommendation by the Species Survival Plan. Her new keepers told us she adjusted well and has successfully bonded with her mate.



# SPECIES AT THE ZOO

## Critically Endangered

Lesser sulphur-crested cockatoo  
Bali mynah\*  
Cotton-top tamarin\*  
Long-tailed chinchilla

## Endangered

Grey crowned-crane\*  
African penguin\*  
Yellow-headed Amazon parrot  
Ring-tailed lemur\*  
Lar gibbon\*  
Red panda\*  
Grevy's zebra\*  
Rodrigues fruit bat\*  
African painted dog\*  
Speke's gazelle\*

## Vulnerable

Alligator snapping turtle  
Desert tortoise  
African pancake tortoise\*  
African spurred tortoise  
Standing's day gecko  
Lesser slow loris  
African lion\*  
Malayan sun bear  
Sichuan takin  
Hyacinth macaw\*







## Species Survival Plan Only

Southern three-banded armadillo  
Pallas cat  
San Esteban Island chuckwalla  
Kirk's dik dik  
Black naped fruit dove  
Swift fox  
Rock hyrax  
Red kangaroo  
Canada lynx  
Meerkat  
Common squirrel monkey  
Blue crowned motmot  
North American river otter  
Eurasian eagle owl  
North America porcupine  
Cape porcupine  
Ringtail  
Prehensile tailed skink  
Sunbittern  
Eurasian black vulture  
Maned wolf

\*SSP



Pueblo Zoo total population

		SPECIES	SPECIMENS
MAMMALS		47	158
BIRDS		32	100
INVERTEBRATES		21	138
FISH		5	24
AMPHIBIANS		6	13
REPTILES		28	45



# INSIDE SCOOP:

## ZOO DIRECTOR TALKS ACCREDITATION, POOP, AND FUTURE PLANS

Favorite  
Animal:



Abigail Krause came to the zoo in 2013 as the Marketing Director. In 2015, she took on the role of Interim Director, then Executive Director in 2016. Abbie is known for her boundless energy and her ability to see the best in people. Here, she takes you behind the scenes of her second year in the director role.

**Q: In 2017, you led the Pueblo Zoo through the AZA accreditation process. What was that like? Did anything surprise you?**

A: What surprised me was that while it was stressful, I am grateful for it. There is a lot on your shoulders getting through accreditation, but it allowed me to really dig in to every facet of what we do. There were so many instances of, “I’d never thought of that!”

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**Q: What was the biggest challenge of accreditation?**

A: The biggest challenge was the sheer size of it. I have a really good team, and they were able to take their parts, but you have to turn over every rock. Our goal, though, is to be ready for an inspection at any time, and I feel that we’re in better shape for that than we ever have been.



**Q: In 2017, you devoted many hours to shadowing each of our zookeepers and maintenance staff. Not many Directors get excited about scooping poop to start their day. What was that experience like?**

A: I loved it! It was initially motivated by the accreditation itself to make sure I understood what each team member does. It's very easy to sit in a chair in an office and think you understand a keeper's job. And vice versa. It's really good to get that idea of, "Oh, this is why you do that." Or, "Oh, I didn't realize how hard this is." I got to see some places in the zoo that I didn't even know existed. A key thing I learned was the importance of one on one time with each person. It gave them a chance to ask me questions. It gave me a chance to get to know their personalities, their desires, their challenges. You get a chance to talk to people when you're doing work and it's just easy. I did scoop poop, and I got to see the challenges of different exhibits. Like, the really cool ones with lots of stuff in them are the hardest to clean.

**Q: What is your favorite part of your job?**

A: I started my career in marketing, and I've always said I want a product I can be proud of. That's what I like about this job. It affects the people that work here. It affects the people of Pueblo. It affects me. It affects my



**"I'm excited by the larger vision of the zoo. I think that we already have a treasure here, and I think that we can continue to make it better and more fulfilling."**

child. And I get to help provide something that might not be here if we all didn't do our jobs. I really like that.

**Q: What's the biggest misconception about being the zoo director?**

A: People think I get to play with animals all the time, but 90% of my job is people. People make the zoo run and that's where you have to invest your time and energies.



# ANIMAL CARE IS IN THE DETAILS:

## TECHNOLOGY AIDED ETHOGRAMS KEEP ZOO ON CUTTING EDGE

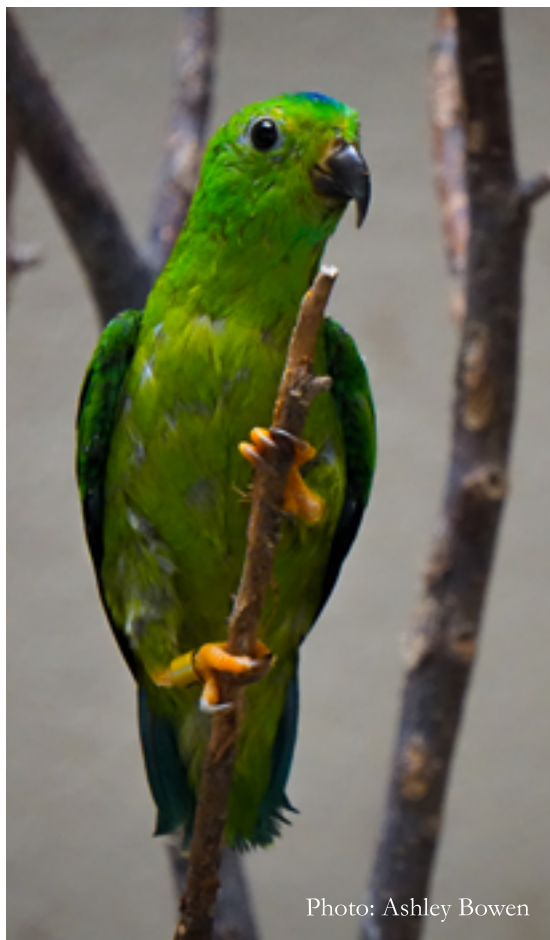


Photo: Ashley Bowen

Enrichment has long been a hallmark of our animal care program. If you're a frequent visitor you've probably witnessed this first hand. You've seen keepers placing cardboard boxes sprayed with an animal's favorite scent in an exhibit. Or you've seen the lion cubs chase a heavy-duty boomer ball. But in 2017, our animal care team began to make changes to completely shift how we do enrichment, prioritizing behavior-based goals over simple variety.

"We realized that variety alone was not enough. If we were consistently placing enrichment that the animals were not responding to, then we were not achieving our animal welfare goals. So we set out to change that," Ashley Bowen, General Curator, explained.

Keepers and interns began closely observing the behaviors of the animals in each of our exhibits to generate behavior lists. These behavior lists were then uploaded into ZooMonitor, an app developed by Lincoln Park Zoo that allows keepers to efficiently perform ethograms. Ethograms are a time-based record of observed behaviors. By using ZooMonitor on their tablets, keepers were able to quickly and accurately gather data that could be easily analyzed.

Bowen continued, "With the ethograms, our keepers are able to track animal behavior and analyze change over time. Our goal is for the behaviors observed here to more closely mimic behavior in the wild. For example, if otters would naturally spend half of their day swimming, we will adjust enrichment to encourage that same level of activity."

Through the daily observation required to create the behavior lists, keepers gained a fresh perspective on the behaviors of many of their animals. In World of Color, Heather Smith noticed that the hanging parrots strongly favored vertical perching. Before the ethograms even began, she was able to use this knowledge to improve their exhibit.

By the end of 2018, Bowen hopes to have baseline data for the vast majority of animals. While changes are just beginning, the ZooMonitor ethograms will keep the Pueblo Zoo on the forefront of animal welfare best practice.



**Hanging parrots** - You can find these small parrots perched above our red-footed tortoises in World of Color. Understanding the habits of our animals allows us to best provide for them. Your support enables the zoo to devote more time to programs like this, making our zoo and its animal care even better.





# INSIDE SCOOP: GLOBAL ACTION

Favorite  
Animal:

Ashley Bowen, General Curator, and Laura Pilarski, Area Supervisor, traveled to Nepal to see the work of Red Panda Network first-hand. A portion of each visit to the Pueblo Zoo funds Red Panda Network's Forest Guardian program.

**Q: There are many animals facing extinction, what makes you so passionate about saving red pandas?**

A: Laura: Red pandas are incredibly unique animals, but few people know much about them. Being such a charismatic species, but perhaps a less well known one, red pandas are a great species to focus on for conservation and education.

A: Ashley: Ever since I started working with them fifteen years ago, I absolutely fell in love with them. Then I learned about how few are left in the wild, and I wanted to do my part to help save them. It's hard not to fall in love with them when you work with them.



(of course)

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Photo: Ashley Bowen

**Q: Tell me a little bit more about the work of Red Panda Network and what makes them so effective?**

A: Ashley: They were founded in the US, but all of the work they do is done by local Nepali people. They hire community members called “Forest Guardians” (next page) to do surveys of the red pandas and their habitat, so they are employing what is otherwise a very poor community.

CONSERVATION DOLLARS  
AT WORK

In 2017, you helped us raise \$12,577 to support conservation in the wild.  
Logos represent beneficiary organizations.





A: Laura: This local approach is one of the reasons why this organization is so effective. They give local families incentives to use more efficient stoves, plant nurseries, use organic farming techniques, participate in eco-tourism, and use materials other than wood from the forest to build their structures. These activities have all helped immensely to protect and save the red panda.

**Q: How can someone reading this get involved in animal conservation?**

A: Laura: Just by coming to the Pueblo Zoo, a portion of their admission goes directly to conservation, including Red Panda Network. People can donate to numerous conservation organizations, or they can go on a conservation trip themselves like we did! More local ways to help in animal conservation include small things, like picking up trash, recycling, carpooling and cutting back on your energy usage. Another simple thing anyone can do is spread the word about endangered species. Just by talking to one person and creating a spark, more and more people can become involved and passionate about saving endangered species.

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# PROGRAM IMPACT

**518 programs**  
given to  
**10,208 students**  
in classrooms and at the zoo.

**99**  
**schools**  
**served**



Reached  
**1,632 children & 1,442 adults**  
at community outreach events

**65 ambassador**  
**animals**

cared for and specially trained  
for education programs



**101 field trips**  
hosted at the zoo for over  
**5,000 students**





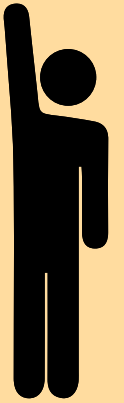


**530 hours**

of school programming led  
by adult volunteer docents

**327 hours**

of on-grounds programming  
led by ZooAlive teen  
volunteers



**12 Creature Feature articles**  
published in the Pueblo Chieftain

**550 families**

received free admission  
through the “Check Out The  
Zoo” partnership with Pueblo  
City-County Libraries



**4,005 guests**

received \$1 zoo admission at  
Shandy Clinic Dollar Day





# INSIDE SCOOP: WHY THE DOCENTS DO IT

## Vicki & Bob Riseling, Docents, Donors

Vicki & Bob joined our education department as volunteer docents in 2017. Docents bring animals to classrooms across Southern Colorado, educate zoo visitors, and play an active role in caring for our education ambassador animals. Vicki and Bob have an obvious passion for the Pueblo Zoo's animals. In fact, Bob did this interview with BB2 the kingsnake wrapped around his arm and would stop to show him to any visitors that happened to walk by.

**Q: How long have you lived in Pueblo? What brought you here?**

A: Vicki: We have lived here about four years. We were attracted by the weather, and after we spent some time here, we were impressed with the people.

**Q: What do you remember about your first visit to the Pueblo Zoo?**

A: Bob: The first time we visited we were very impressed. Most towns this size don't even have a

Favorite  
Animal:



Vicki

Bob



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dream of mine.”



zoo, and this is a really nice zoo. I love the old WPA architecture. People here really care about the animals.

A: Vicki: I just thought it had such an intimate feeling. It's not like other zoos.

**What motivated you to become docents?**

A: Vicki: Volunteering at a zoo has always been a dream of mine. I knew you needed docents, and it was something I had never done before, to work with children. So I thought I'd give it a shot.

**Q: What has been your most memorable experience as a docent?**

A: Bob: We were giving a presentation to the whole school, and a special needs teacher asked us to come by her classroom to show the animals to her students. That's always cool when people come up and want to see more.

A: Vicki: Her students were really interested, and they interacted and were so engaged. It was rewarding for us.

A: Bob: Every time we've been out, the students really enjoy it and they remember what they've learned.

**Q: What do you hope to accomplish through the educational programs you give?**

A: Vicki: I would hope for some future conservationists. So many of these animals, children wouldn't have a chance to see without the zoo. You never know what will make a lifelong impression on a child.

A: Bob: People are amazed when I tell them, "These snakes are your buddies. They eat your rodents and even rattlesnakes!" I hope when people see snakes in the wild, they'll leave them alone. Snakes can be beneficial.

A: Vicki: I like to tell people that every animal has an important job. Even with the birds in the rainforest, their job is to bring seeds and nuts from the canopy down to revegetate. People often don't think of birds that way.



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**Q: In addition to being volunteers, you are also donors. Why do you give to the Pueblo Zoo?**

A: Vicki: Because we see how worthwhile it is. It's a simple answer, but it's all encompassing for me.

A: Bob: If we see a need, we will step up and try to do something. When you can actually come some place and see the money being put to good use, it means something. The grounds are well kept, the animals are well taken care of, and when you walk around the staff will stop and talk to you about the animals. You don't find this kind of place everywhere.



# A STRONGER ZOO, TOGETHER

Volunteers donated 12,302 hours of service equivalent to six full time employees!

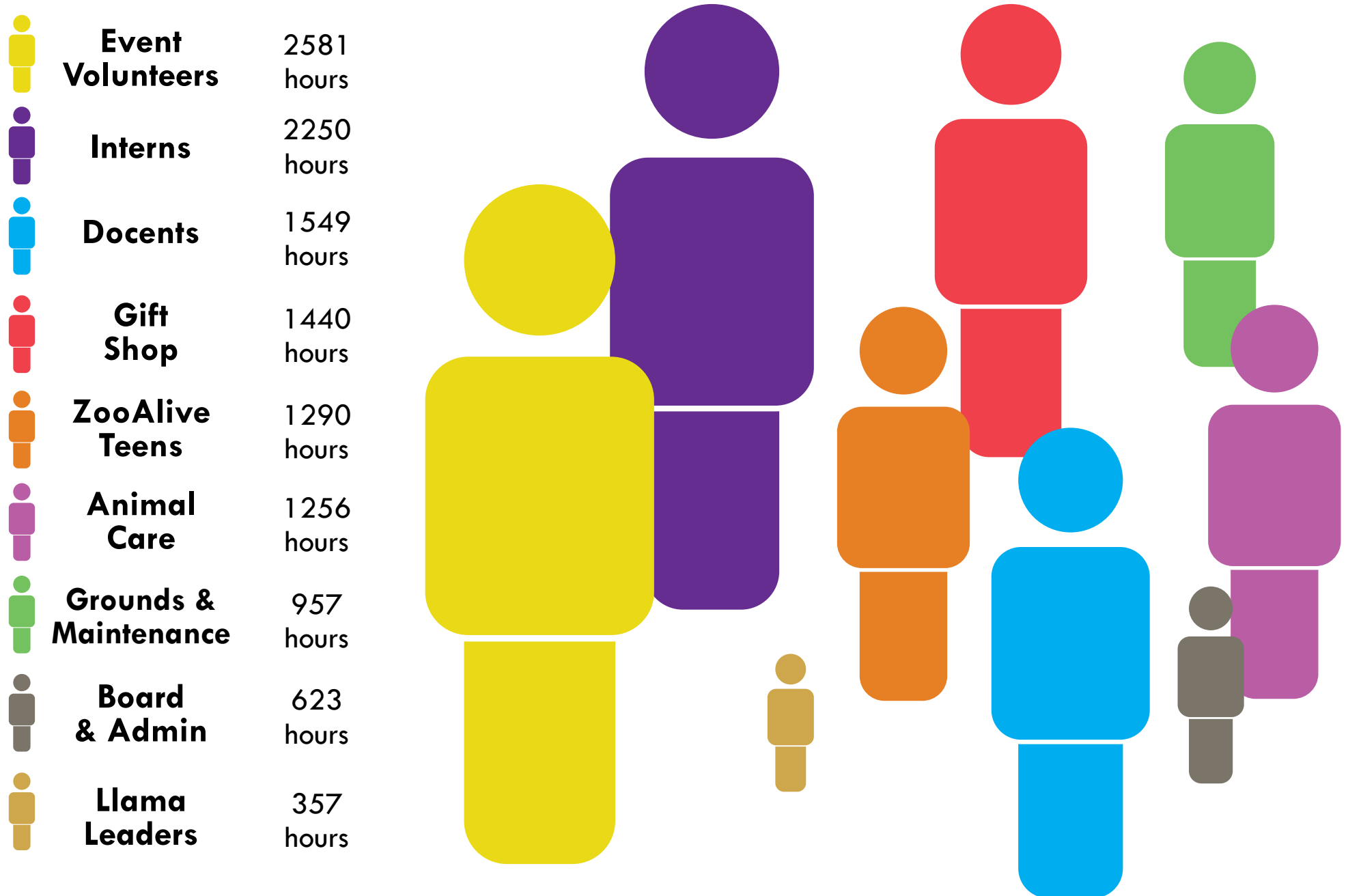




Photo: Mike Byers

# 2017 EVENTS

This year 17,667 members and supporters joined us for our four signature events. Together these events raised enough to fully fund nearly 50 days of operation in 2018!



**Brew at the Zoo** - From Fort Collins to Durango, 13 Colorado brewers descended on the zoo on April 29 to serve beer to more than 500 zoo patrons. All this despite the “Snow-pocalypse” of 2017. Most of Pueblo lost power, but that didn’t stop the party. Local bands, Lead Farmers and Change Agents, played to a sold-out crowd under a 40’ x 80’ tent.



**Zoofari** - A cool 60 degree forecast had Zoofari guests swapping their usual sandals for warmer attire as they sipped beer and wine and perused more than 100 auction packages at our flagship fundraiser.



**ZooBoo presented by Shandy Clinic** - On October 28, the zoo filled with little lions and bees, a few ninja turtles, many Darth Vaders, and more princesses than we can count. 1,826 attendees tricked and treated their way through 19 booths provided by community partners and volunteers.



**ElectriCrittters presented by Black Hills Energy** - The 25th anniversary ElectriCrittters broke nearly every record in the book. More than 15,000 guests came to witness the magic of 250,000 twinkling lights. We will forever remember this year as the year of the light saber – the gift shop kiosk sold nearly 500 of them to children and adults alike.



# INSIDE SCOOP: MOORE ACTING, GIVING

Favorite  
Animal:

Lindsay & Brian Moore and their two daughters, Cadence and Aubrey, have been proud zoo members since they moved to Pueblo. They visit frequently and volunteer for almost anything we need. Lindsay joined our Board of Directors in 2016. We asked her to share a little bit about her experience and why her family loves the zoo.

## Do you have a favorite zoo memory?

We have a lot of magical moments at the Pueblo Zoo. There is something about the size and intimacy of our zoo that allows for really unique experiences. I currently have a ridiculously long video on my phone from one of the peacocks spreading out all his feathers and slowly turning in circles. Our whole family experienced ten solid minutes of pure joy standing a few feet from this proud peacock strutting his stuff.



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## Why do you feel the zoo matters for the Pueblo community?

Creating a sense of community is such an important thing for a town. The zoo is something Puebloans are very proud to have. Our zoo is an essential part of the fabric of this community. It has and continues to be a part of generations of childhoods. It is an honor to support such an institution.

## As a board member, you played an active role in our 2017 re-accreditation. What was that experience like?

The staff worked incredibly hard to get us through it. So very much went into the preparation. My role was mostly listening and learning. I have a high level of respect for AZA accreditation after this. It is something we should all be very proud of, because it demonstrates excellence in caring for the animals we are entrusted with.

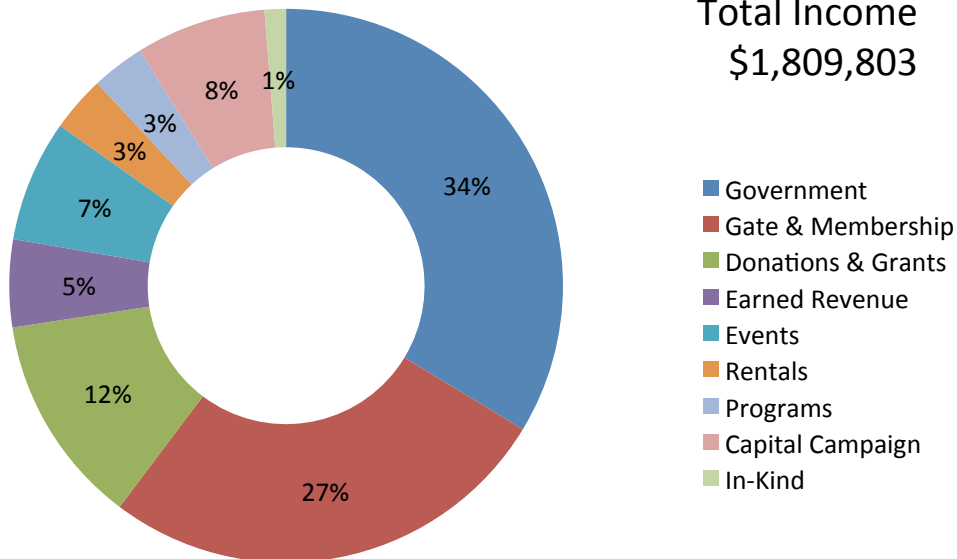
# FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY



2017 continued 2016's trend of growth and diversification. This was in large part, thanks to the generosity of donors like you. Membership and gate revenues fell slightly from the record numbers of 2016. Meanwhile, special event, rental, and program revenue all increased. The most significant growth was in donor contributions. Donations, grants, and capital campaign gifts comprised 20% of income compared to just 10% the year prior. These gains resulted in a modest budget surplus for the second year in a row; although the majority of surplus funds are restricted to construction of the De Brazza's monkey exhibit in 2018. From a financial standpoint, the most significant achievement of the year may have been successfully mitigating the effects of the first year of minimum wage increases. Your continued support is greatly appreciated, and we take pride in being able to responsibly steward your funds. Our most recent Form 990 is available on [guidestar.org](http://guidestar.org).

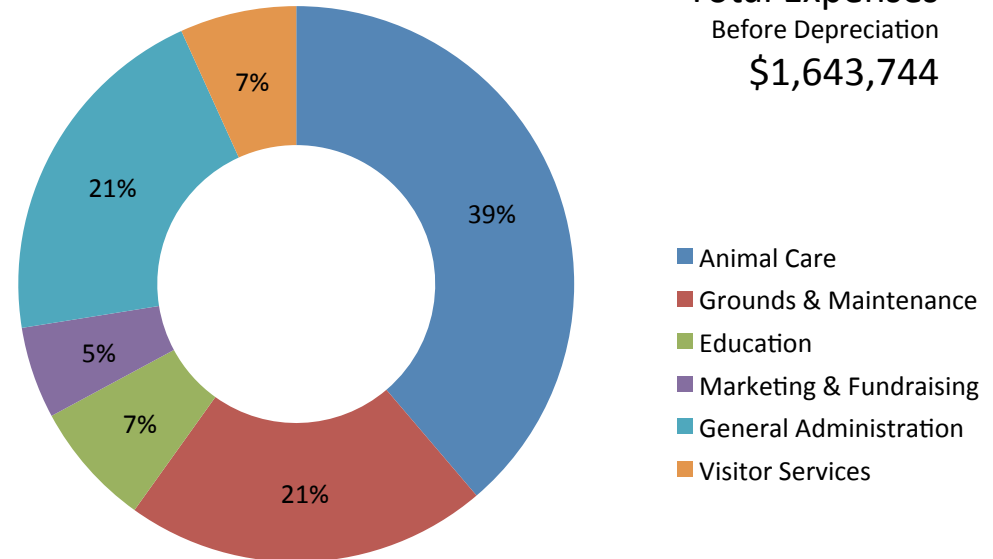
## Support & Revenue

Total Income  
\$1,809,803



## Operating Expenses

Total Expenses  
Before Depreciation  
\$1,643,744





# THANK YOU!

Our heartfelt thanks go to you, our faithful stewards. Your generosity makes all of our work possible.

Although space precludes us from individually acknowledging all of our donors, please know each and every gift is deeply appreciated.

## Government Support

Pueblo Zoo is city-owned and relies on our local governments for critical support. Together, these entities provide one third of the Zoo's operating budget and funded important capital improvements. We are deeply grateful for their investment.

City of Pueblo  
Pueblo County

## General Support

The Pueblo Zoological Society must raise one third of our operating budget from private sources each year. Our deepest thanks go to the following thoughtful individuals and businesses who provided funding for animal care, education, and special projects. Their support enabled us to end 2017 in the black.

### \$10,000 +

Capek Family Foundation  
Colorado Garden Show  
Morgan Stanley Global Impact  
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Foundation Donor Fund  
The Packard Foundation Fund for  
Pueblo  
Xcel Energy Foundation

### \$5,000 - \$9,999

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Ryals Family Foundation  
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Springbok Health  
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Target Stores-Pueblo Distribution  
Center  
US Bank  
Vectra Bank Colorado  
Vivian Osborne Trust  
Dr. Neil & Lynne Wainwright

### \$500 - \$999

Catherine Anderson  
Michael & Jill Ball  
Bank of The San Juans  
Benefits Broker  
Mary Jo Carter  
Ellen Cooney  
Matt Davison  
Regina Enciso & Felipe Garcia  
Molly Moser-Farrell & Dave Farrell  
GLMV Architecture  
Gil & Susan Goodman  
Heidi Helgeson-Story & Jared Story  
Elizabeth & Mike Hermes-Dickenson  
Carolyn Jackson-Hilton  
Todd & Nancy Kettelkamp  
Reg Landrum  
Larry's Electric & Refrigeration  
Dr. Richard & Joyce Lawrence  
Legacy Bank  
Dawn McLeod  
Minnequa Works Credit Union  
Larry & Patricia Moore  
Anonymous  
Chad & Jessi Ones  
Dr. & Mrs. Adolph Padula  
Ray Pechek & Kelli Frame

### **\$500 - \$999**

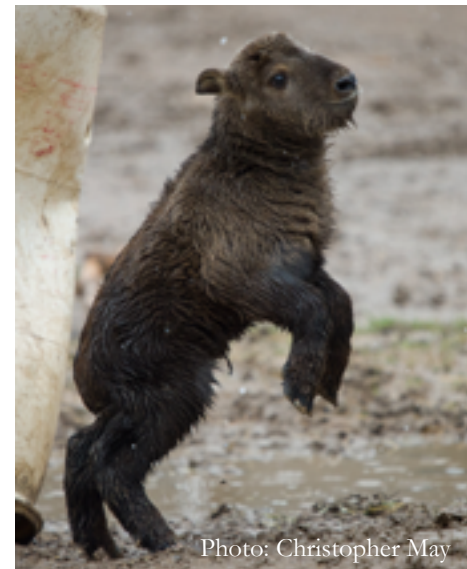
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Pueblo Automobile Dealers  
Association  
R. Peter Sonntag DDS Family  
Dentistry  
Rich & Phyllis Riesner  
John & Nancy Roth  
The Ruede Family  
Dorothy Shaw  
Amber & Chris Shipley  
Southern Colorado Perfusionist, P.C.  
Dale & Bev Stevenart  
Chris & Judy Stjernholm  
T R Toppers, Inc.  
Tenth Judicial District  
Derek & Emily Vidmar  
Mary Jane Voelker  
Diane Wilson  
Xcel Energy

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Accolade Living Center North Pointe  
Gardens  
Acorn Construction Company  
Elaine & James Adley  
Allegre Images  
Carl & Jeannette Bachhuber  
Dr. & Mrs. Eric & Diana Bernauer  
Boone Guest Home  
Brookdale El Camino  
Adam & Leslie Carroll  
Shirley Cline  
Colorado Blue Sky Adult Supported  
Services  
Colorado Bluesky Enterprises  
Anne Courtright & J E Ross  
Linda Crawford  
Crossroads Turning Points, Inc  
Sandra Cunningham  
Heather Dewey & Joshua Wilcoxson  
Chuck Dugal, Jr & Sarah Dugal

Joe & Anne Duran  
East Side Child Care Center  
Victoria & Casey Edwards  
Ent Community Fund of the Pikes  
Peak Community Foundation  
Tristen Faith  
Gwen Francis & Bob Olson  
Dr. John Hardy, MD, PC  
Raeann Herrick & Mike Garnish  
Ivor Hill & Jennie Dahlberg Hill  
Tim & Pricilla Hill  
Jackie & Mike Houtchens  
HUB International  
InnovAge  
Shelby Kissell & Daniel Breece, Jr.  
Annette & Richard Knudsen  
Mary Koch  
Koehler Wealth Management  
David & Cathy Krause  
Ed Lane  
Judy Lee  
Ann & Robert Lucero  
Howard & Marcia Mann  
Pat & Sally Mara  
Sue Mauch  
MCH Trust  
Mesa Veterinary Clinic  
Amanda Moore & Michael Beck  
New West Technology LLC  
Nurse Family Partnership  
Orla O'Callaghan & Paul McCarthy  
Naoma O'Neill  
Martha & Neal Osborn  
PeopleCare Health Services  
Premier Mortgage  
Pueblo Community Health Center  
Pueblo Diversified Industries  
John & Tamara Rice  
Julie Rodriguez  
Michael & Cheryl Rohr  
Ruben & Connie Roman  
Ron Concialdi, DDS, PC  
Dr. James & Mrs. Deborah Sbarbaro  
Ken & Nancy Smith  
Southern Colorado Orthodontics

Michael & Linda Sperber  
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Tim & Marilyn Stechert  
The William Storms Allergy Clinic  
Bob & Kris Strader  
Alexandra & Adam Strunk  
John & Kerry Taylor  
Cassy & Kirk Taylor  
Bob & Sara Tonsing  
Lester Ward  
Neal & Anne Weierbach  
Geri Weinstein  
Kathleen Wolf  
Carol Wright



### **Donor support helps newborns like Caboose, the takin, thrive.**

Caboose was born in 2017, one of many successful babies to mother Tashi over the past years. With a new calf born in 2018 as well, our takin are a fun species to visit and see different stages of growth and development right here at the zoo.

### **In-Kind Support**

By donating goods & services, these individuals and businesses helped advance our mission.

### **\$1,000 +**

Aquatic Exhibit Group  
Courtyard Marriot  
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Fieldman Financial Services LLC  
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Pueblo Athletic Club  
Pueblo City - County Health  
Department  
Pueblo Tree Specialists  
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Jim Roukema  
Terrie Sajbel & John Hardy  
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Pueblo





## Mission Monkeys Capital Campaign

Thank you to the forward thinking individuals and foundations who have invested in the future of the Pueblo Zoo. Recognized below are new gifts and pledges of \$250 or more given in 2017.

### \$10,000 +

Frank Lamb Foundation  
Jennie & Albert Gersick Foundation  
Southern Colorado Community Foundation

### \$5,000 - \$9,999

Garone Nicksich Foundation

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Kathy Farley & Fran McClave  
Health Solutions  
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Derek & Emily Vidmar  
Dr. Neil & Lynne Wainwright  
Xcel Energy



### \$250 - \$999

Ellen Cooney  
John P Ercul  
Patricia & Robert Gardner  
Marion Guerrero  
Anne Hill & Dr. Anak Shrestha  
Andrew & Martina Lang  
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Howard & Marcia Mann  
Pat & Sally Mara  
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Jim Roukema  
Michael & Linda Sperber  
W.I. & Trudy Thomas  
Charlie & Desda Vial  
Ralph & Janice Williams  
Xcel Energy Foundation

## In Remembrance

Donations totaling \$250 or more were made in memory of the individuals below.

During their lifetime, each of these individuals had a special love for the Pueblo Zoo. They volunteered their time, visited frequently, and brought their families here. While they are no longer with us, their legacy lives on. Thank you to the many people who donated in their memory.

### \$250 +

Mary Eleanor Charman Adams  
JoAnn Bertholf  
Sue Landrum  
Colleen and Gifford Ruede





# VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are the backbone of all that we do. Thank you to the individuals who contributed more than 40 hours of service in 2017, active volunteers with more than 10 years of service, and interns who served over 225 hours.

## 40 + hours of service

Charlotte Adams  
Elaine Adley  
Nina Anderson  
Kai Arriaga  
Sharon Byers  
Russ Dewey  
Gage Dillon  
Joe Duran  
Victoria Edwards  
Gwen Francis  
Patricia Gardner  
Hannah Gibbs  
Elizabeth Gross  
Jackie Gross  
Persephone Haskell  
Phyllis Hochstetler  
Kaitlyn Jesik  
Jacquelyn Keith  
Kristi Kerico  
Jared Leyba  
Lyssa Lini  
Paige Lubich  
Joseph Meihak  
Lindsay Moore  
Robin Moritz  
Robert Muniz  
Shirley Muniz  
Pat Poerio  
Joan Ramirez  
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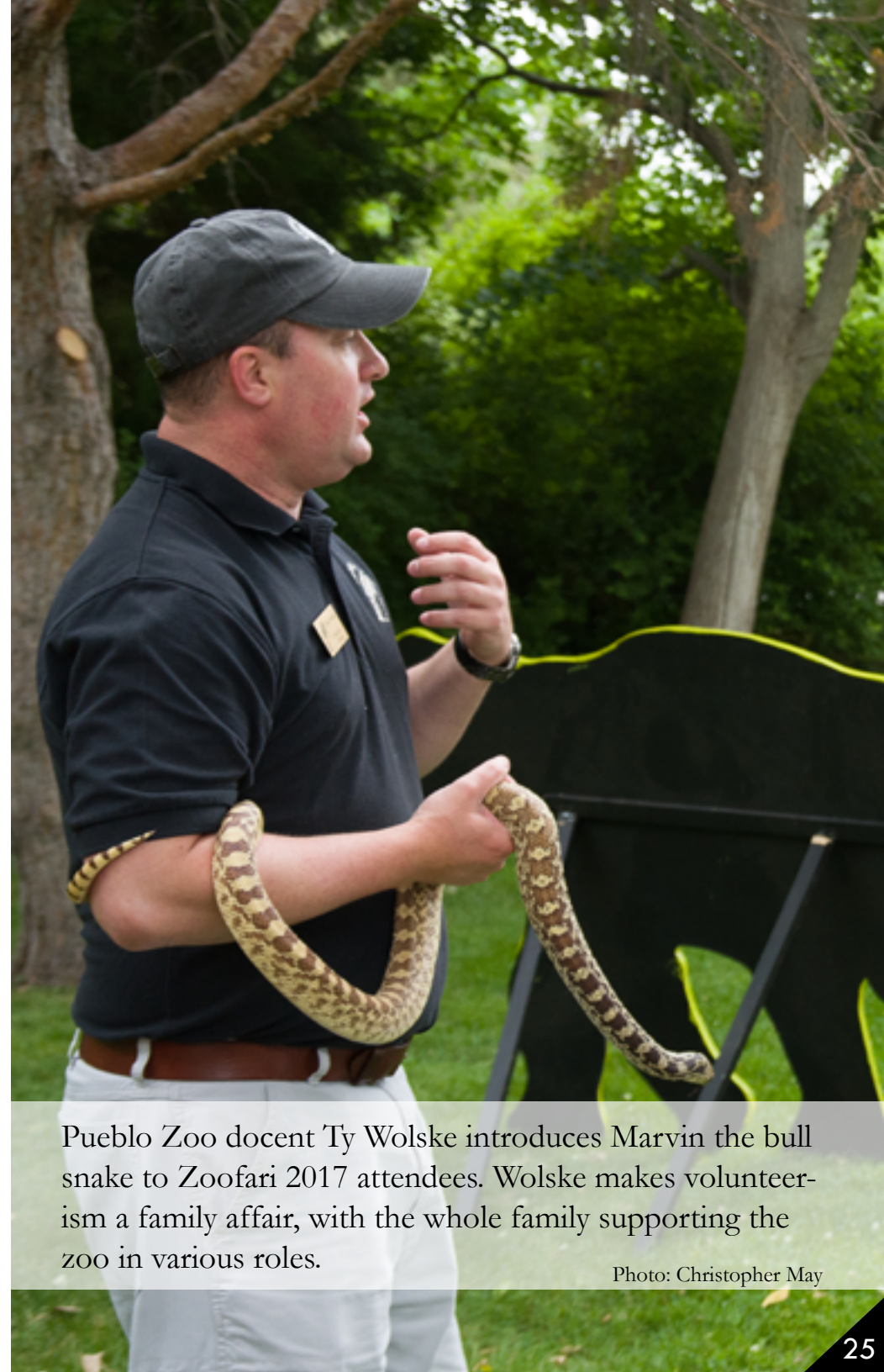
Karyn Saathoff  
Elisa Sabedra  
Carol Scott  
Sarah Seem  
Melody Stanko  
Carol Wainwright  
Lynne Wainwright  
Neil Wainwright  
Kathleen Wolf  
Challen Wolske  
Ty Wolske  
Tylynn Wolske

## 10 + years of service

Charlotte Adams  
Elaine Adley  
Edith Edson  
Jim Edson  
Hannah Gibbs  
Marion Guerrero  
Larry Moore  
Robin Moritz  
Joan Ramirez  
Pablo Ramirez  
Carol Rickman  
Sarah Seem  
Mike Stanker  
Lynne Wainwright  
Neil Wainwright

## Interns

Tuesday Bloom  
Megan Campbell  
Sam Carnes  
Ali Eslin  
Rex Evans  
Neil Gaunt  
Aaron Gierlach  
Caitlyn Hickman  
Danika Usiatynski-Rivera  
Kaelyn Whittington



Pueblo Zoo docent Ty Wolske introduces Marvin the bull snake to Zoofari 2017 attendees. Wolske makes volunteerism a family affair, with the whole family supporting the zoo in various roles.

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