

Mindy's Memory Primate Sanctuary, Inc.
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Dear Friends of Mindy's,

Featured Monkey for May, by Linda Barcklay



THE LIFE OF PHINNEUS T. FINNEGAN

Phinneus began his life at Lemsip (Laboratory for Experimental Medicine and Surgery in Primates), the now defunct primate research laboratory in Tuxedo, NY. His pregnant Mother was in a restraint chair with IV's and monitoring cables for the experiment attached to her with wires. When the veterinarian in charge came the following morning to see how she was doing, he found a tiny monkey hanging from the Mother from the umbilical cord, tangled in the wires. The baby, Phinneus, was removed from his mother and taken home by the veterinarian and his wife to be nurtured. When Phinneus reached the age of one, he was returned to Lemsip with the promise he would not be used for experimentation. At the time, the laboratory was dissolving and numerous chimpanzees were ushered out to sanctuaries and the remainder sent to another research facility in Alamogordo, Mexico...a real hell hole. The monkeys were all transferred to different laboratories, but mainly the lab in Alamogordo, which is now also closed down. However, Phinneus was placed in another medical college and remained there for 12 years.

Phinneus arrived at Mindy's Memory in August of 2005, along with the monkeys Count, Impy, and Buck. Phinneus was so terrified of the three when placed together that he hid in his sleeping area and would not come out. We felt it necessary to catch him inside a crate and move him. Phinneus then joined Kelly, an elderly female rhesus macaque, and he has been with her now for almost two years. Phinneus is very content, has gained weight, and has a nice thick hair coat from being able to be outdoors in the sunshine.

Volunteers at Mindy's, by Linda Barcklay



This photo is of Grumpy Kovacs building our new indoor sleeping facilities for the capuchins. Grumpy and his wife, Jamie, are here at least three times a year to volunteer and they are no slackers, believe me! They always get a tremendous amount of hard work done each time they visit, and then we all look forward to the next visit. Jamie and Grumpy sponsor Mia, the java macaque, who their pet for many years. Last year they donated a very exquisite RV for volunteers to stay in.

By the way--Grumpy is his name, not his nature...

Wish List, from the Board

List of Items needed on an ONGOING basis:

- Pails
- Buckets
- Dust pans
- Used Sheets
- Used Towels
- Used Blankets
- Yards of fleece material
- Toys – need to be tough and as indestructible as possible. Toys suitable for large dogs are best.
- Pens/pencils
- Envelopes
- Gift cards to Wal-Mart, Office Depot or Target
- Rolls or books of postage stamps
- Bleach (gallons)
- Mean Green or Simple Green cleaner (gallons)
- Clorox Clean-Up bleach cleaner
- Purina 5038 monkey chow (contact us for supplier info)
- Bulk dry goods, including: rice, oats, pasta, cereal, raisins, trail mix, nuts in shell, peanut butter, honey, Gatorade powdered drink mix, graham crackers, Nilla wafers, crackers, pretzels, UNSALTED peanuts, popcorn for a hot air popper (not microwave!)

produce donations by bulk; apples, oranges, sweet potatoes, green peppers, carrots (50 lb bags), pears, red potatoes (50 lb bags), romaine lettuce, bananas, we purchase tax-free from Thomas Brothers Produce. The phone # is: 405-202-0467. Ask for Joe. He is the sales rep who can take the order and all the credit card information. If the amounts are given, the check can be sent to us for reimbursement, and we can pay for the delivery.

- Bales of clean straw
- Wood chips (**pine**, not cedar - cedar causes a rash!)
- propane for our winter heat

- Money

One time donations needed:

- Portable MIG Welder
- Heavy duty cordless drill with extra battery

Miscellaneous

- Anyone with local connections to a grocery store that sells produce
- Anyone with connections to a Lowe's, Home Depot, or similar store
- Anyone with connections to Office Depot or similar office store
- Anyone with connection to Walmart
- A welder to fix primate enclosures (cages)

**Please mail your donations to:
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With warmest regards,
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