



# OCEANS OF FUN

## NEWSLETTER

October 2009

### HAVING A SWEET TIME IN HERSHEY!



Oceans of Fun, has had a successful 2009 summer season! Not only did we enjoy our interactive programs and presentations with our animals in Milwaukee, but we also had a wonderful opportunity to provide a high energy show with two of our California Sea Lions in Hershey Park, Pennsylvania. The two sea lion stars that went to Hershey were Diego, our 5 year old male and Geneva, our 10 year old female. Geneva and Diego along with two of their trainers participated in the Hershey Park show "The Great Candy Caper". These two sea lions accompanied by their trainers arrived mid-March to their new home and began the process of acclimating to the new environment. They also began training for new show behaviors that the audiences would enjoy daily. The show opened in early spring and audiences adored Diego and Geneva's antics immediately. They were enjoyed by many throughout the summer and into the fall. We have all had a great time in Hershey and look forward to returning to Milwaukee to join our seal and sea lion friends. We definitely had a SWEET time!



### HAVE FUN IN FALL WITH OUR ANIMAL TRAINING JOB SHADOW!!



Oceans of Fun, is proud to offer a one-of-a-kind experience for the ultimate animal lover! Learn what it really takes to be a trainer at Oceans of Fun. Participants shadow a marine mammal trainer and assist with their daily routine. During this program, you'll play a role in activities that make up a trainer's day, such as:

- *Prepare animal diets*
- *Observe animal behavior and aid in record keeping*
- *Provide enrichment devices to the animals*
- *Discuss animal training and conservation topics*
  - *Feed our seals and sea lions*
  - *Assist in animal husbandry sessions*
- *Interact one-on-one with an animal poolside*



Advanced reservations are required. Job shadows are available from Labor Day to Memorial Day for anyone ages 13 to adult. Come and learn about our flipped friends, have loads of fun and an experience of a lifetime!! For more information or to make a reservation, contact us at 414-453-5527 ext. 1.

## FEATURE ANIMAL OF THE MONTH: **GENEVA**



Geneva is our 10 year old female California Sea Lion. She was born at Oceans of Fun to her mother Makaia in 1999. Geneva is a very vocal sea lion and loves to tell you about her day. Whether she's sun bathing, swimming in her pool, or playing with the other sea lions, she is vocalizing and letting everyone know how she is doing. Vocalizing is a natural behavior for every sea lion and is actually how they got their name. Many years ago, fishermen heard them vocalizing and thought it sounded like the roar of a lion. They also lived in the sea and therefore gave them the name sea lion. Geneva is always playful and full of energy. She definitely is a crowd favorite!



### CONSERVATION CORNER

#### "GREEN" IDEAS



What does going "green" mean? Going "green" is simply making eco-friendly choices in the products we purchase and the food we consume for a healthier lifestyle.

*Here are a couple tips on how we can all help to conserve energy!*

- Adjust your thermostat by simply turning down the thermostat two degrees in the winter and up two degrees in the summer makes a big difference. It will help to save you \$98 as well as reduce over 2,000 lbs of carbon dioxide per year.
- Rearrange your furniture to keep you warmer without turning up the heat. Move your sofa and chairs near interior walls, so they're out of the drafts that can come in through exterior walls and windows.

## SPRING INTO FALL WITH A



### SPLASHIN' GOOD TIME!

Fall has arrived but we are still accepting reservations for all of our unique seal and sea lion programs. We offer a variety of interactive programs for individuals ages 5 and up. **Sea Lion Splash** is an exciting poolside program for children ages 5-10 and **Underwater Journey** our week long summer camp is for children ages 7-12. We offer **Aquatic Adventure** which is an in-water program for anyone ages 6 and older. This is a great program for adults and children. We also offer a **Private Party** program for small and large groups. The Private Party program is great for birthday parties and girl / boy scout outings. While participating in any of our Oceans of Fun Seal and Sea Lion Encounters you are sure to have a splashin' good time. If you are looking for a one of a kind birthday present, Christmas gift, or a special occasion party, we have gift certificates available for all of our programs. Gift certificates make great gifts for individuals of all ages. For more information on our programs visit us at [www.oceansoffun.org](http://www.oceansoffun.org) or call 414-453-5527 ext. 1.



### ARE YOU INTERETED IN THE ANIMAL TRAINING FIELD?

Oceans of Fun offers intern and volunteer programs that will teach you the basics of daily animal care and training to get you started. As an intern or volunteer, you will assist the animal care staff in both environmental and animal care. We are looking for individuals that are 18 years of age or older and that are highly motivated. Applications are being accepted for the fall and winter seasons. If you are interested in interning or volunteering with us, please contact our coordinator, Kelly Kamrath, at (414) 453-5527 ext. 2 or [kelly@oceansoffun.org](mailto:kelly@oceansoffun.org).



# SPONSOR A SEAL OR SEA LION



Oceans of Fun is a privately owned Wisconsin corporation, located inside the Milwaukee County Zoo. It is our goal to provide the best possible environment, training, husbandry, and care for our marine animals with the focus of educating the public about marine life, environmental preservation, and conservation. You can help care for our animals by donating items from our wish list and by sponsoring one of our beautiful animals!

## BECOME A SEAL AND SEA LION SPONSOR!

By sponsoring one of our seals and sea lions, you will be contributing directly to the animal's care. Sponsorship is a great way to get involved and can also be a wonderful gift for that special occasion or holiday! When you sponsor an animal we will send you a special gift of appreciation for your donation. Choose any one of our amazing animals at Oceans of Fun to sponsor and see the chart below for special gifts. To sponsor an animal, contact us at [414-453-5527 ext. 1](tel:414-453-5527).

### Sponsorship Gifts of Appreciation

Oceans of Fun Sponsorship Levels	Annual Donation	E-Newsletter & Updates	Personalized Adoption Certificate	5 x 7 Photo Of Your Animal	Official Oceans Of Fun T-Shirt	10% Discount At the Sea Lion Shoppe	Sea Lion Show Tickets	Painting Session for One With an Animal	Original Seal or Sea Lion Canvas Painting	Private Behind The Scenes Tour	Private Animal Training Demo 15 min
Copper Sponsor	\$50	X	X	X							
Bronze Sponsor	\$75	X	X	X	X						
Silver Sponsor	\$125	X	X	X	X	X	4 Tickets				
Gold Sponsor	\$250	X	X	X	X	X	10 Tickets	X	X		
Platinum Sponsor	\$500	X	X	X	X	X	15 Tickets	X	X	15 Guests	15 Guests

### Which Animal Should I Sponsor?

Choose any one of our animals to sponsor! To view information about each of our animals, visit us at [www.oceansoffun.org](http://www.oceansoffun.org) and select our animal page for biographies on each of our slippery stars. Then, once you decide which animal you would like to sponsor, contact us to sign up for a one year sponsorship!

### Learn More About the Oceans of Fun Animals!



#### Meet Slick...

Slick is our Dominant Male California Sea Lion. He weighs in at over 700 lbs!

#### Meet Satara...

Satara is our 15 year old female Atlantic Harbor seal. She weighs 120 pounds and has a fun, spunky attitude!

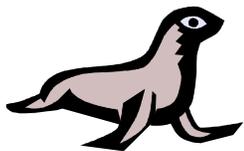


## FACILITY WISH LIST

If you would like to help us care for our animals through donations, periodically we will have a list of items that would benefit our animals and their care. Donations can be sent to or dropped off at:

*Oceans of Fun, Inc. 10001 W. Bluemound Road Milwaukee, WI 53226*

- ◇ 4 quart to 9 quart Coolers
- ◇ Durable Wall Shelving
- ◇ Rubbermaid Vertical Outdoor Shed
- ◇ Tall Office Storage Cabinet with Lockable Door
- ◇ Large Floor Scale with 1000lb Weight Capacity



*\*All donations and animal sponsorships are 100% tax-deductible!*

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### SPONSORSHIP REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT

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SPONSORSHIP LEVEL: \_\_\_\_\_ DONATION AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

DESIRED ANIMAL'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

BUYER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ \*CHECK NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_  
(MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: OCEANS OF FUN)

BILLING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

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(LEAVE BLANK IF INFORMATION IS THE SAME AS ABOVE)

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MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

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\*CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS AVAILABLE BY PHONE: 414-453-5527 ext. 1.

\*CASH PAYMENTS AVAILABLE AT OUR SEA LION SHOPPE AT THE MILWAUKEE COUNTY ZOO.

IF INTERESTED, PLEASE FORWARD YOUR DONATION ALONG WITH YOUR REGISTRATION FORM TO:

OCEANS OF FUN 10001 W. BLUEMOUND ROAD MILWAUKEE, WI 53226

414-453-5527 ext. 1 [www.oceansoffun.org](http://www.oceansoffun.org)

*\*Once your payment is received, all animal sponsorships and donations will be processed and gifts of appreciation will arrive to your mailing address in 7 - 10 business days. Thank you!*