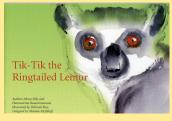


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Dear Friends,

Thanks to your generous support LCF has grown over the years, and today is a respected voice for lemur conservation. For example, in 2013 all three rare Mongoose lemurs born in the United States, like Silvio and Pablo, were born to our female lemurs. Silvio and Pablo were born in Myakka City. Silvio was his mother, Kikeli's, first infant! (The third Mongoose infant was born to an LCF female at the Sacramento Zoo.)



Click here to peek inside the Ako books and receive our special offer for the six book series.





Silvio on his birthday...and Pablo, curious about the camera!



Organic Spices from
Madagascar are available in our
Amazon Store

With Mothers' Day approaching, and baby season about to begin at LCF, we ask you to consider making a special gift during the 2014 Giving Challenge on 6 and 7 May. Your donation will support lemur care, enrichment, and the infants we hope are born at LCF in the coming weeks.

Here is how you can help....



<u>children's puzzle available in our</u> <u>Amazons tore</u>













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## **DURING THE GIVING CHALLENGE 6-7 MAY**

FOR 24 HOURS YOUR GIFT WILL BE MATCHED BY AN LCF CHALLENGE **GRANT** 

YOUR GIFT WILL <u>HELP US EARN ADDITIONAL GRANTS AND</u> **MATCHING FUNDS FROM THE GIVING CHALLENGE!** 



Your donation will support lemur care at LCF like:

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Enrichment materials like Little Tykes toys, Easter eggs to fill with craisins, and Pillow Pets -



Dietary supplements like Primate Maintenance Biscuits or fruits and vegetables -



Re-branching in the enclosures -



Clarissa, a Mongoose lemur, with her Pillow Pet enrichment.

⊠⊳ Forward to a Friend

Carriers to help transfer lemurs between forest and building facilities at LCF, or to and from partner facilities -

Browse plantings -

Radio collars, to track lemurs in the forests -

and Medical care for needs like Ansell's feet!



## <u>FOLLOW THIS LINK</u> to donate from noon on Tuesday 6 May through noon on Wednesday 7 May!

#### **CLICK HERE**

for more information about the Giving Partner.

# Share this email with your friends! Tell them all about LCF and how much lemurs need our support!



## Helping Ansell's Skin Condition

Ansell, one of our female ring-tailed lemurs (

*Lemur catta*), developed a skin condition on her toes and heels. We were concerned that the condition would resolve itself on its own, and that she would not be able to comfor tably get around the forest with her twins, who were infants at the time.

To treat her problem we poured a Nolvasan® solution commonly used to clean wounds and prevent infections into a small rubber tub so that it came up to just above the height of a sponge placed on the bottom of the tub. Then we squirted some Mal-a-ket, a topical antifungal/antimicrobial solution on top of the sponge.

To get Ansell into the tub we offered her craisins, a lemur favorite. She was then rewarded when she stepped into the foot bath. Ansell received craisins at a slow pace to reinforce her behavior, and encourage her to remain standing in the tub.

We worked on her endurance - standing in the foot bath without receiving a stream of craisin-reinforcers. She learned to stand in the solution for 5-10 minutes at a time. Sometimes she would even sit on the edge of the tub! Soon the condition on her feet was healed.



### RE-BRANCHING FOR LEMUR ENRICHMENT

Here's something to scratch your head about, like Felix...How do you keep things interesting for a lemur, and provide new opportunities for behaviors like scent marking or exploring different pathways? 'Re-branching' is one way!

Re-branching is just what it sounds like - our animal husbandry team rearranges branching in the enclosures to provide variation in the environment. When you support LCF during the 2014 Giving Challenge enrichment supplies like re-branching materials are some of the items your donation will help provide. This is especially important for young, inquisitive and energetic lemurs like Pablo and Silvio. In these pictures you can see our Mongoose lemurs, Felix, Emelia, Bimbini, and Pablo. Felix scratching his head on a branch, Emelia, Bimbini, and Pablo exploring their new 'furniture,' and Emelia getting ready to scent mark a new branch!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

'VANISHING' art from the LCF collection at ART CENTER SARASOTA



Lemur Conservation Foundation (LCF) is using the power of art to raise awareness of their plight.

Vanishing, an exhibit at Art Center Sarasota, features works of art from the LCF's permanent collection. Artists Jean Blackburn, Craig Rubadoux, and Alexis Rockman are among the more than 20 artists with work represented in the installation.

"Without understanding the awfulness of extinction...there is little hope for the future of lemurs and life itself in its magnificent diversity. Art can't change the world, but it can change the way we see, think and feel about it."

22 May Through 27 June at 707 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota; 941-365-2032 Art Center Sarasota

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