The Wolf Conservation Center teaches people about wolves, their relationship to the environment, and the human role in protecting their future.
Dear Friends of the Wolf Conservation Center,

This year will be remembered as a major turning point in the Wolf Conservation Center’s (WCC) effort to safeguard wildlife and wild places for generations to come. New incentives in education, greater opportunities for participation and new partners for collaboration helped the WCC exceed its goals in many areas. Some of the year’s highlights include:

- Record program attendance onsite and off — the WCC provided education programs for more than 38,000 people including local schoolchildren, scientists, scouting groups, clubs, at-risk youths and special-needs classes.
- The debut of Summer Wolf Camp and our first-ever nocturnal adventure program giving supporters a chance to camp overnight at the WCC!
- A growing demand for Atka, our traveling ambassador. National Geographic’s Washington, DC headquarters was among the latest additions to his “territory.”
- Acquiring a global audience via our eight new WildEarthTV webcams to increase awareness of two critically endangered wolf species and our efforts to recover them.
- Hosting four breeding pairs of critically endangered wolves. No other organization in the world had the honor of hosting two critically endangered red wolf pairs as well as two Mexican gray wolf pairs.
- The purchase of eight additional acres at our South Salem site bringing us to the third and final step in establishing a permanent “Den of Our Own.”
- Incredible turnout on Facebook to help us win two amazing grants!
- Creative collaboration with other organizations to advocate for the long-term recovery of wolves in North America.
Message from Board of Directors & Staff of the WCC

We aim to broaden our reach while continuing to provide first-rate environmental education programs to students, adults and decision-makers; to establish the highest standard as a participant in the recovery of critically endangered wolf species; launch the final step of the “Den of Our Own” campaign to allow the WCC to better serve its mission and the public; and continue providing science-based information to help wolves and humans better coexist while restoring wolves to their ancestral homes in the wild. We never lose sight of the fact that we are able to take these initiatives and many others because of the dedication and commitment of our invaluable donors, volunteers and staff.

Thank you again — and we look forward to seeing you at the WCC in 2013!

Warmest wishes,

The Board of Directors and Staff of the Wolf Conservation Center
The Wolf Conservation Center (WCC), founded in 1999 by Hélène Grimaud, is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit environmental education organization located in South Salem, NY. The WCC’s mission is to promote wolf conservation by teaching about wolves, their relationship to the environment and the human role in protecting their future. The WCC accomplishes this mission through onsite and offsite education programs emphasizing wolf biology, the ecological benefits of wolves and other large predators and the current status of wolf recovery in the United States.

The WCC also participates in the Species Survival Plan (SSP) and Recovery Plan for two critically endangered wolf species, the Mexican gray wolf (Canis lupus baileyi) and the red wolf (Canis rufus). The Mexican gray wolf and the red wolf are among the rarest mammals in North America; both species at one time were completely extinct in the wild. Presently, there are approximately 400 Mexican gray wolves and 300 red wolves remaining in the world, the majority living within the network of facilities like the WCC participating in the SSP. Every one of these endangered wolves in captivity is a part of something bigger than their pack and the facilities that house them. These special canids are integral parts of the recovery of their rare species. Many of these wolves contribute as ambassadors, living on view at a variety of zoos throughout the United States to help people learn about the importance of their wild counterparts. The WCC’s two SSP exhibits offer visitors to the Center an opportunity to behold these species and our eight WildEarthTV webcams extend four wolf families to a global audience. Some of these animals can also contribute to the revitalization of their species more directly as participants in the SSP Wolf Captive Breeding program. A special fraction of captive wolves, however, can have the most direct impact on the conservation of their species as well as their ancestral habitat in the wilds of North America. These wolves are candidates for release into the wild. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), under the Endangered Species Act, is re-introducing Mexican gray wolves and red wolves to portions of their historic range, and two wolves from the WCC have been given this greatest opportunity — a chance to bring an ecosystem back to balance.

Looking forward, the WCC aims to become the pre-eminent facility in the Eastern United States for the captive breeding and pre-release of endangered canid species, and to continue expanding our education and outreach programs to communities far beyond the gates of our facility.
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Steeped in myth, the wolf has become a misunderstood predator who too often evokes fear. By providing science-based information, the Wolf Conservation Center allows wolves and humans to better coexist in our fragile environment, improve our efforts to successfully restore endangered wolves to their ancestral homes in the wild and offer direct exposure to an elusive predator people might not ever see in the wild. The WCC education and Ambassador-wolf programs open the door to understanding. They are designed to conform to New York State Standards for Science Education and touch on a variety of disciplines from biology to history. People can experience the WCC’s educational message in two ways: Onsite programs at the WCC facility in South Salem, NY, and offsite WCC programs in schools, museums, libraries and nature centers throughout the Northeast. The demand for our traveling ambassador wolf, Atka, continues to grow. In 2012, we attended 157 offsite education programs. National Geographic’s Washington, DC headquarters was among the latest additions to his “territory.”

VISITORS TO THE CENTER

The WCC conducted 344 onsite education programs during 2012, an increase of 100 over our 2010 total! Some highlights include outstanding attendance for our long-running “Wolves of America,” “Pack Chat for Kids,” and “Evening Howl!” programs, the debut of Summer Wolf Camp and our first-ever nocturnal adventure program giving supporters a chance to camp overnight at the WCC! Programs are conducted year-round, Tuesday through Sunday, so WCC supporters can behold the wolves during their different phases of each season.

As we begin 2013, we look forward to enhancing the WCC visitor experience. We aim to establish a permanent “Den of Our Own” by purchasing and developing the final 6-acre lot that we currently lease. This acquisition will allow us to create a new education center and exhibit space that will enable us to better meet the needs of our visitors as they learn about the crucial role that wolves play in the environment.

In 2013, we also aim to implement a pilot wolf curriculum in at least three schools. Although our education impact grows every year, our goal is to widen the scope of our education efforts by integrating WCC programming into the curricula of schools currently beyond our reach. The WCC team is making impressive strides in the development of a wolf curriculum designed to satisfy common core standards. The wolf is a charismatic subject and will serve as an ideal topic of interdisciplinary study. Thanks to the collaborative effort of a diverse group of five experienced teachers, some very lucky youngsters will benefit from a wonderfully wild approach to education.
AMBASSADOR WOLF PROGRAMS

The WCC conducted 157 off-site Ambassador Wolf programs during 2012. The following schools and organizations helped us bring our message to wide and diverse audiences.

Intermediate School 230
Jefferson Elementary School
Parkway Elementary
Accompsett Middle School
Alley Pond Environmental Center
American Museum of Natural History

American Museum of Natural History’s “A Night at the Museum”
Animal Embassy
Annie Fisher Montessori Magnet School
Bartlett Arboretum
Beaver Ambassador Club
Bedford Post Inn
Berkeley Carroll School
Berkshire Museum
Brainerd Library
Bristol Public Library
Buckley School
Bulkeley Middle School
Camp Critter
Chappaqua Cub Scouts
Charles Dewolf School
Children’s Museum of Manhattan
Children’s Museum of West Hartford
Christ Episcopal Church
City Hill Middle School
Clearpool Environmental Education Center
Community Unitarian Church of White Plains
Croton Harmon High School
Dalton School
Danbury Museum
Davis School
Debry Neck Library
Education Connection
Eleanor Buck Wolf Nature Center

Elmwood Elementary School
Forman School
Four Winds Hospital
Fox Lane High School
Fox Meadow Elementary School
Frenchtown Elementary school
Fresh Air Fund’s Sharpe Reservation
Green Chimneys
Greenbelt Nature Center
Greenwich Education Group
Hackley School
Hampton Classic Horse Show
Harrison High School
Haviland Middle School
Herkimer County Community College
Herrick’s Cove Wildlife Festival
HK Middle School
Ho-Ho-Kus Public School
Hommocks School
HOSTOS Micro City School
Huckleberry Hill Elementary School
Hudson Highlands Land Trust
Hudson Valley Christian Academy
Jane Goodall Institute’s Roots and Shoots
Kent Library
Kinderhook Library
Lakeland High School
Liberty Science Center
Long Island Wolf Expo
Madden Outdoor Education Center
Mahopac High School
Main Event Day Camp
Mamaroneck Public Library
Maritime Aquarium
Mead School
Memorial Elementary School
Mildred Strang Middle School
Mohican Tribe
Mohonk Preserve
National Geographic Headquarters
New Britain Youth Museum
North Haven Sumer Day Camp
Norwood Club
Pearls Hawthorne School
Pelham High School
Pelham High School

Pleasantville Middle School
Pound Ridge Day Camp
Pratt Nature Center
Public Intermediate School 499
Queens College School for Math Science & Technology
Public School 105
Public School 14
Public School 244Q
Public School 58
Public School 98M At Inwood Park
Rhode Island Wildlife Rehab
Riverside School
Rockland Audubon Society
Rye Nature Center
Somers Intermediate School
South Orangetown Middle School
Southern Vermont Wildlife Festival
St Dennis St Columbia
Sweetbriar Nature Center
Tappan Free Library
Teaneck Community Charter School
The Institute for American Indian Studies
True Wolf Film Premiere in NYC
University of Rhode Island
Urban Assembly School for Wildlife Conservation
Van Cortlandt Manor
Village of Buchanan
Village of Hastings on Hudson Recreation Department
Viola School
Waccabuc Country Club
Wakefield Hills
Weinberg Nature Center
West Rocks Middle School
Westchester Community College
Westchester SPCA
The WCC participates in the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service’s Species Survival Plan (SSP) and Recovery Plan for two critically endangered wolf species, the Mexican gray wolf (*Canis lupis baileyi*) and the red wolf (*Canis rufus*), both of which are among the rarest mammals in North America. At the end of 2012, there were only about 400 Mexican gray wolves and fewer than 300 red wolves remaining in the world, with a large majority of the animals living in captivity. As we closed 2012, the WCC remained one of the three largest holding facilities in the United States for Mexican gray wolves. Our 16-acre Endangered Species Facility housed 15 Mexican gray wolves and five red wolves. Fifteen of these wolves live off-exhibit in a natural environment where these elusive creatures can reside with minimal human contact. This setting safeguards their natural behavior and best prepares them for a wild future. Two of the WCC’s Mexican wolves have received the “call of the wild,” the first released into the Arizona landscape in 2006 and then her sister in 2008. Our participation in SSP captive breeding and our ability to accommodate endangered wolves is essential for these animals to resume their rightful place in the wild.

The SSP management groups for both the Mexican gray wolf and the red wolf determine the programs’ breeding pairs each year by using software developed for the population management of endangered species. Wolves are “mono-estrus” — breeding only once a year during the winter months. Hence, winter is an exciting time for wolves in North America and in 2012, an especially thrilling season for the WCC. A total of five Mexican gray wolf breeding pairs were hosted in the United States and the WCC was honored to be the only facility to house two of the chosen couples. The WCC’s two red wolf pairs were also tapped to breed, making 2012 our first year to accommodate four breeding pairs. These unions were chosen based on the genetic value of the eight individuals and the benefits their offspring would potentially contribute to the diversity of their rare species.

Thanks to our partnership with experienced live wildlife broadcasters from WildEarth.TV, WCC staff, volunteers, and an unlimited number of supporters were able to enter the private lives of our elusive breeding pairs via unobtrusive cameras in and around anticipated den sites. Mexican wolves M740 and F749, the Mexican wolf pair with lowest inbreeding coefficient in the program, were the most popular pair via webcam. A global audience witnessed their courtship develop, saw F749’s belly swell beyond what seemed physically possible and cheered when WCC staff members gave the thumbs up on camera one morning in May after discovering the pair’s robust litter of new-borns. Sadly, the pups died within a month of their birth — a devastating loss for the pack and the Mexican wolf recovery program. This loss, however, prompted the implementation of new SSP protocols for selective emergency intervention. WCC curator Rebecca Bose, a veteran member of the Mexican wolf management group, initiated the discussion that led to these new protocols, the need for which was so vividly illustrated by our experience.
The WCC would like to extend its sincere thanks and appreciation to the dedicated volunteers who work so hard to help fulfill our mission.

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