

# October Adoption Newsletter

WOLF CONSERVATION CENTER



**Greetings, October!**

**Happy Halloween—it's officially spooky season. We at the WCC have been celebrating the onset of chillier nights and refreshing mornings. The leaves have shifted into rustic reds, sun-dipped yellows, and fire-burnt oranges. The sun has begun to slip lower sooner, casting the horizon in gold and giving folks the perfect opportunity to light a candle and cozy up for the season.**

**The wolves have been getting cozy, too, taking plenty of time to catch up on grooming their newly arriving winter coats and finding new nooks to nap in throughout their enclosures.**

**We are excited to bring you new updates on their October adventures, and we'd like to extend a warm welcome to any newcomers to the newsletter!**



*Nikai & Silas*

**Nikai and Silas are ready for trick or treat season...except nix the tricks and go heavy on the treats! This silly duo is also embracing brotherhood bonding through chasing each other, digging, playfighting, and being overall affectionate. Silas' new favorite activity is to join Nikai on their rock and rest next to him while giving a sweet nudge here and there. Silas also discovered the joys of finding occasional critters in their enclosures. Unfortunately, an unlucky chipmunk made their way in and Silas decided to parade it around once caught. Was he taunting his older brother by showing off his superb skills? That's for Nikai to know and us to only speculate!**



*Sage & Jacques*

**Jacques might not be getting a new fall wardrobe, but he sure knows how to grow in his new winter coat with style! Sage appreciates it too, as the pair have been seen snuggling up to relax together in the cooler temperatures. On a crisp morning in early October, the two were also found running around their enclosure, only for Sage to stop abruptly on top of their hill perch. She swung her head back and forth, examining something just beyond their fence line. It turns out a wandering raven had come sauntering by with some meat scraps! Sage was intrigued while Jacques broke away after a bit, clearly disinterested. Him? Waste time watching a raven he can't chase? Nevermore.**

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**Did You Know?**

TRICK OR TREAT! IT'S ALL TREAT FOR OUR AMBASSADOR WOLVES. DURING THE HALLOWEEN SEASON, OUR AMBASSADOR WOLVES GET A SPECIAL SERVING OF RAW PUMPKIN!



*Tyke & Lava*

Tyke and Lava have been all about taking it easy this October. They've spent plenty of fog-filled mornings taking in the scenery of fall foliage surrounding them and engaging in some seriously supple stretches. Tyke has perfected his cow pose and personally we'd like to ask him to teach us a thing or two about yoga flexibility! Lava has been more food focused (which, honestly, same!) and was spotted very proudly displaying her deer leg on their log cabin perch. She'd managed to snag this prime piece before Tyke could get to it. Lava, much like those of us hiding coveted Halloween candy, wasn't intent on sharing this find!



*Sam & Family*

Sam and family have been preoccupied this October by freshening up their space through embracing the season's "cozy vibes" aesthetic. SkyRae was spotted carrying a sizeable branch over toward their den, while Sam found a few remaining bones from old food to amplify the space around their log cabin perch. Martha and Max wondered what they were up to and decided to contribute with their own gifts. Martha brought over a dead frog she'd hunted as an offering for sustenance during this renovation project.

At the end of the month, the boys (Sam, Notch, Max, and Hunter) left the WCC for a new adventure – they now live at the Ross Park Zoo in NY! We're sad to see them go but are excited for them to experience a new setting. Best of luck!

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**Did You Know?**

**QUOTE THE RAVEN: NEVERMORE. RAVENS SOMETIMES FOLLOW WOLF PACKS IN THE WILD. THIS IS SO THEY CAN SCAVENGE OFF ANY LEFTOVER MEALS WOLVES MAY LEAVE BEHIND!**



*Valentia*

Valentia has started her October out in the most festive way ever: Leaf jumping! Yep, you heard us right, leaping into leaves isn't just for kids. Valentia likes to take part in this activity, too! Staff spotted her on a fence walk, jumping into a pile and rubbing her fur all over the leaves. It's very possible there may have been a scent she particularly liked and she wanted to get that scent on her. She perhaps might also just appreciate the cozy crunch of rolling around in the downed foliage! All she needs now is a pumpkin spice latte and she'll be the perfect poster child for fall frolicking.



*Belle & Family*

Belle has trotted into spooky season with an abundance of enthusiasm! She caught the scent of a skunk nearby and has been intrigued watching that corner of their enclosure ever since. Meanwhile, Nita has been more concerned about keeping up her rigorous nap schedule, which apparently turns out to be a little difficult when Jean keeps trying to sit on her head. It seems this duo is back to their amusing antics again, but you won't see us complaining as we get to witness it! Maus, for his part, has been seen on more than one occasion engaging in a playful tug of war over meat scraps with Jean.

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**In closing, we're hoping that you and yours are having a spook-tacular season filled with fall festivity, an abundance of joy, and plenty of treats!**

**We'll see you back in your inboxes with a cornucopia of updates in November. Until then—stay cozy!**



*-Your friends at the WCC*



*Diane, Hélène, & Bria*

This sweet sister trio are spending their autumn by engaging in some good old quality grooming time. We had quite a bit of rain early this October, so there was a significant amount of puddle hopping to be done! Unfortunately, a slip up was bound to occur, which resulted in Diane getting her paws and legs completely caked in mud. She was seen with a laser sharp focus nibbling and licking at her paws while Bria was spotted helping her out by licking her legs to get off the remaining dirt. Hélène was able to avoid a similar fate, and she decided to rest by her sisters in a show of support, opting to let the two do most of the cleanup work. Hopefully they'll be in for a drier November!



*Trumpet, Lighthawk, & Family*

This fabulous family of 9 have been trotting into spooky season with an emphasis on embracing their playful sides. Lighthawk was seen bowing down and wagging his tail in an effort to get his sons Mosby and Joe Darling to play chase with him. Trumpet was looking on nearby, but she was preoccupied with grooming Kazoo to make sure his burgeoning winter coat was nice and clean. Meanwhile, Sonda recently discovered the joys of chasing red squirrels up the trees! Nicholas has been supporting his endeavors by accompanying him on some of his escapades. On one particular occasion, George came over with Kral to inspect what on earth their brothers were doing. After watching for a bit, Kral decided it would be better to take a nap, while George settled down to finish off burying some meat.