

# TRUNK LINES

SUMMER 2019

 **THE ELEPHANT  
SANCTUARY**  
IN TENNESSEE™



TANGE & SUKARI

## Inside The Sanctuary

Summer at The Sanctuary is a season of celebration—**Shirley**, The Sanctuary's matriarch and the third oldest elephant in North America, turned 71 on July 6th. Shirley's life story is a remarkable one, and we are honored to have been a part of it now for 20 years. Shirley spent her birthday by The Sanctuary's 25-acre lake with her habitat-mate, **Tarra**. The two have been traveling together much of the summer, mudding and grazing side by side. African elephants **Flora**, **Tange**, and **Sukari** are taking advantage of regular hose-baths from Caregivers, in addition to creating their own mud wallows to cool their bodies in the summer heat. **Minnie** and **Debbie** are often seen splashing and bobbing in one of Q Habitat's many ponds—while **Ronnie**, **Billie**, and **Sissy** continue to explore their developing relationships. We revel in **Nosey**'s daily discoveries as well as her growing trust with Caregivers. Just as the others have been before her, Nosey is a testament to the resiliency of captive elephants and the impact of Sanctuary.

Care and Veterinary Staff also celebrate as the Elephant Health Care Center begins to take shape, with preparation of the site and arrival of building materials. We look forward to opening this state-of-the-art facility to allow for the continuous care and close observation of elephants with extenuating needs.

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Additional updates on all the elephants living at The Sanctuary are included inside this summer issue of Trunklines.



Observe the elephants via  
The Sanctuary's live-streaming EleCams  
at [www.elephants.com](http://www.elephants.com)



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#### **OUR MISSION**

Founded in 1995, The Elephant Sanctuary in Tennessee is the nation's largest natural-habitat refuge developed specifically around the needs of Asian and African elephants retired from performance and exhibition. It operates on 2,700 acres in Hohenwald, Tenn. — 85 miles southwest of Nashville.

#### **With Your Support, The Elephant Sanctuary:**

- Provides captive elephants with individualized care, the companionship of a herd, and the opportunity to live out their lives in a safe haven dedicated to their wellbeing;
- Raises public awareness of the complex needs of elephants in captivity, and the crisis facing elephants in the wild.

**As an accredited sanctuary, the habitat where the elephants live is not open to the public.**

To learn more about The Elephant Sanctuary and its resident elephants, connect with us online at [elephants.com](http://elephants.com)

## LETTER FROM OUR **CEO**

### Dear Friends,

In this summer issue of Trunklines, we have much to celebrate! **Shirley turns 71**, the **Elephant Health Care Center** starts to take shape, and our international partners are helping to make a difference for elephants around the globe. Here at The Sanctuary, our resident elephants are making the most of warmer days and nights, reveling in the joys of hose baths, mud wallowing, and pond splashing. With elephants traveling throughout the expansive habitats, we find the longer summer days lend themselves to special projects such as organizing the barns, updating equipment, painting interior fencing, and more.

We have been fortunate to host volunteers from around the country who come ready to work, eagerly tackling projects that help The Sanctuary operate—cutting banana leaves and bamboo for special treats, pruning the fruit trees and picking ripe fruit for the elephants, stacking hay, prepping enrichments, and clearing fence lines. It really feels like a village all working together to provide herd, home, and care to the 11 elephants who live here.

We thank each and every one of you—donors, volunteers, and long-time supporters for partnering with us in our work to create a better world for elephants. Thank you for joining our herd!

I hope you will take time to enjoy these summer stories and celebrate the role you've played in the lives of Shirley, Tarra, Billie, Sissy, Debbie, Ronnie, Minnie, Nosey, Flora, Tange and Sukari.

  
Janice Zeitlin, CEO



**Become a Member—Help Change the Lives of Elephants!**



SHIRLEY





NOSEY

## » Nosey Updates

The Sanctuary's Care Staff work carefully and continuously to build trust with every elephant that finds a home at The Sanctuary. For some, this trust is hard-earned, and for others, it comes more easily. Through Protected Contact and positive reinforcement, elephants new to The Sanctuary learn that they are free to make choices, to exhibit natural behaviors, and to simply be an elephant.

Care Staff are delighted with the many ways **Nosey** has grown and exhibits trust after a year and a half at The Sanctuary! Nosey is enjoying regular scrubs and fire hose baths from Care Staff and is always eager to participate in training sessions. She recently received annual vaccinations from The Sanctuary's Veterinary Team and was rewarded with a whole watermelon, which she put directly in her mouth and crushed to savor all the juices.

Nosey is gaining strength and confidence as she continues to explore her habitat—traversing hillsides and climbing over downed trees. The Sanctuary's Facilities Team recently cleared a few new trails leading into a valley, and opened up more space behind a wallow in Nosey's habitat. That very night, she tested the trails, even moving a few trees on her own to create shortcuts between them. She ate all the browse that was left behind, and she laid down to sleep in one of the wider trails.

In addition to grazing on natural grasses in her habitat, Caregivers have noticed that Nosey seems to enjoy browse more during the leafy season—she has been especially loving Sumac recently. Elevated enrichment helps keep elephants' trunks strong and encourage natural foraging behaviors. Nosey often reaches her trunk above her head into the trees to pull down leafy stems, and has also been utilizing a hay barrel enrichment in her habitat. The entire Sanctuary family continues to celebrate Nosey's daily developments and are honored to have her in our care.







SUKARI

## » Africa Habitat & Barn

As the weather warms in Tennessee, the elephants spend nearly all their time outside, exploring far reaches of their habitat, sometimes traveling miles overnight—leaving the barn largely empty (and clean) for most of the summer.

**Tange** and **Sukari** have remained inseparable, reuniting with **Flora** in the shade of their habitat's wooded valleys. In the wild, elephants live in a matriarchal society, among a herd of related females. Though The Sanctuary's herds are made up of unrelated individuals, it is not uncommon to see an elephant take a matriarchal role with others in her social group. In the Africa Habitat, we are beginning to see Tange take on this role with Sukari, as the two explore the habitat together, venturing regularly to the Pipeline, the Plateau, and the upper East Habitat. With all of the traveling and traversing of hills, Sukari, who retired to The Sanctuary in 2015, is gaining strength to keep pace with Tange, now in her 15th year at The Sanctuary.

Despite Flora's independence, all three Africans had a boisterous reunion recently, to the thrill of their Caregivers who rarely see such a display. Silly, floppy behavior is more characteristic of Asian elephants, but that is exactly how Care Staff described their observations of Sukari, Tange, and Flora—running jubilantly in circles, digging their tusks into the dirt, and trumpeting loudly at the sight of one another.



FLORA





Fire hose baths are popular among the African elephants, but the temperature has to be just right! A mild April and May meant that interest in fire hose baths didn't kick in until June this year, but now none of the Africans can seem to get enough. A new portable water rig, gifted to The Sanctuary by a generous donor, serves as a mobile shower that can be brought to the elephants when they're away from the barn exploring the habitat.

Mudding is another favorite summer pastime—not only does it keep the elephants' bodies cool, it also helps keep the bugs at bay and serves as a natural sunscreen. Flora has been especially eager to visit her habitat's many wallows this season, traveling from one to another, knocking down many a Tulip Poplar along her way. The Sanctuary's Facilities Team has been busily clearing the trails of trees left in Flora's wake all summer long.

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TANGE



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## » Q Habitat & Barn

Warm weather and summer rain showers mean lots of mudding and bathing opportunities! **Minnie**, **Ronnie**, and **Debbie** pay daily visits to South Pond. Caregivers love to observe their playful behaviors—splashing around, submerging their face in the water and blowing bubbles. **Sissy** has been less keen on water works this summer, instead preferring to nap in the afternoon sun after regular morning explorations of Frieda's Field.

In the wild, elephants spend their lives with the family herd in which they are born. In captivity, unrelated elephants can still form close bonds with time, patience, and the opportunity for varied social groupings to allow different herd dynamics to unfold. **Billie** and Ronnie have been sharing space recently for “play dates.” The two shared their morning snacks, dining on bamboo and hay together while being tactile with one another. Ronnie has been demonstrating confidence around Billie, which is a change from when she spends time with Minnie and Debbie, who tend to exert more dominance over her. Billie appears to accept Ronnie's newfound confidence unbothered, and often backs up to Ronnie to show it.

Ronnie has also spent time at the fence line with Sissy, who taps the bars and pops her trunk with excitement whenever Ronnie walks over to her. Ronnie often greets Sissy in return by touching her face and back with her trunk. Caregivers are thrilled to

BILLIE







observe the ever-evolving dynamic between elephants and look forward to what the future holds for Ronnie's relationship with both Billie and Sissy.

At The Sanctuary, a dedicated team of Veterinarians and Caregivers work together to provide individualized care for each elephant. Throughout the spring, they have been finessing the elephants' diets, complete with "taste tests" for each elephant to discover what she will eat and in what combinations. This allows Care Staff to administer supplements and other medications prescribed by the Vet Team within foods that the elephant seems to enjoy. All-natural applesauce has been a favorite among Q elephants, as have blueberries, bananas, and peanut butter.

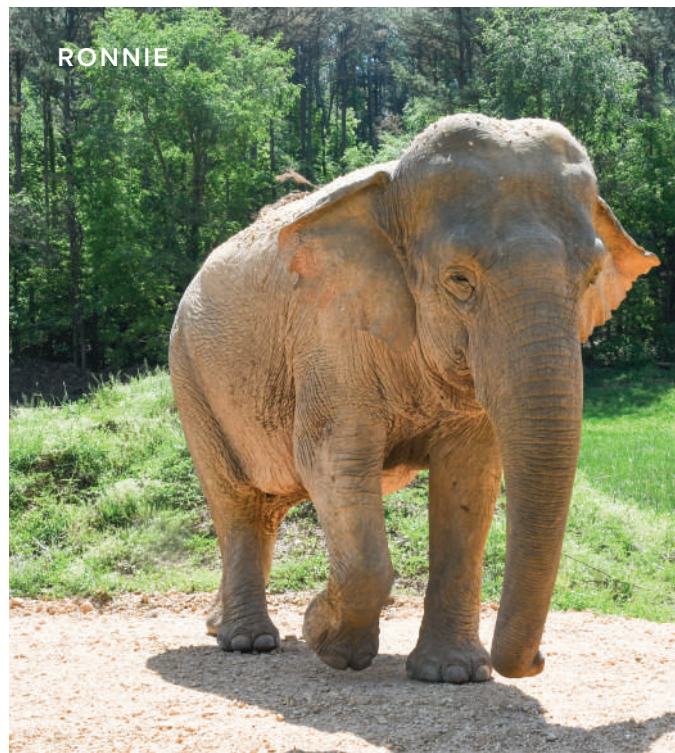
A veterinary ophthalmologist recently visited The Sanctuary to perform eye exams on Billie and Ronnie, who have been experiencing vision changes typical of aging elephants. Caregivers prepared for this visit by desensitizing the elephants to a mock lens and training them to remain steady and hold their eyes wide open. Although these behaviors are seldom used, it is important to train for them so that the Vet Team can monitor and treat any ocular issue that may arise. The Vet Team is happy to report that with the ophthalmologist's treatment plan, Billie's vision has made immense progress!



MINNIE & RONNIE



DEBBIE



RONNIE



MINNIE





SHIRLEY & TARRA

## » Asia Habitat & Barn

On July 6th, The Sanctuary, along with supporters around the world, celebrated **Shirley's** 71st birthday! Caregivers put much effort into making her big day exceptional, baking her a vegan cake made from applesauce, cinnamon, and carrots and topped with bananas, one of her favorite foods. They also constructed a festive "71" out of bamboo and placed it in the habitat with the cake on a bed of hay for her to discover. Shirley devoured the cake in one bite, only leaving a small trace of vegan icing behind on her trunk. She then used the bamboo stalks as a back scratcher before dining on those as well. **Tarra** eventually joined the celebration too, greeted by welcoming trunk touches from Shirley. The two finished off the remainder of the birthday goodies and then ventured to a nearby mud wallow.



TARRA



## WISH LIST

The Sanctuary maintains an ever-changing Wish List to meet the needs of the elephants in our care. You can help by underwriting a specific item.

### ELEPHANT CARE

Hay (tractor trailer load)  
Allergy Medication for Ronnie  
Sand Clear  
Positive Reinforcement/  
Operant Conditioning Supplies  
Foot Epoxy Kits  
Fresh Fruits and Vegetables  
General Medical Fund  
Automatic Refilling Waterers  
for expanded habitat locations

### ONGOING NEEDS

Platinum Performance Equine  
Supplement  
Lowes Gift Cards  
Walmart Gift Cards

For details on current items including total costs, go to [shop.elephants.com](http://shop.elephants.com) and select "Wish List" or contact Lorenda at [lorenda@elephants.com](mailto:lorenda@elephants.com) (email); 931-796-6500 ex. 105 (phone).





At 71, Shirley spends many days journeying across Asia Habitat's open fields and wooded hillsides. This spring, just like every other, Shirley ventured over a mile to The Sanctuary's 25-acre lake. Throughout the summer, she has often been found grazing on Lake View Ledge, an area with a particularly beautiful view of the lake. She has also been utilizing the mud wallows in the habitat; on some days, Caregivers have found her in the wallow first thing in the morning, suggesting that she is sleeping in the mud during particularly warm evenings. With age, Shirley has begun losing sight in her right eye—this is a progressive condition, but does not appear to cause discomfort. A veterinary ophthalmologist will perform an eye examination on her this fall, while Caregivers adjust to Shirley's evolving needs by using more vocal cues and approaching her from the left side, so as not to surprise her.

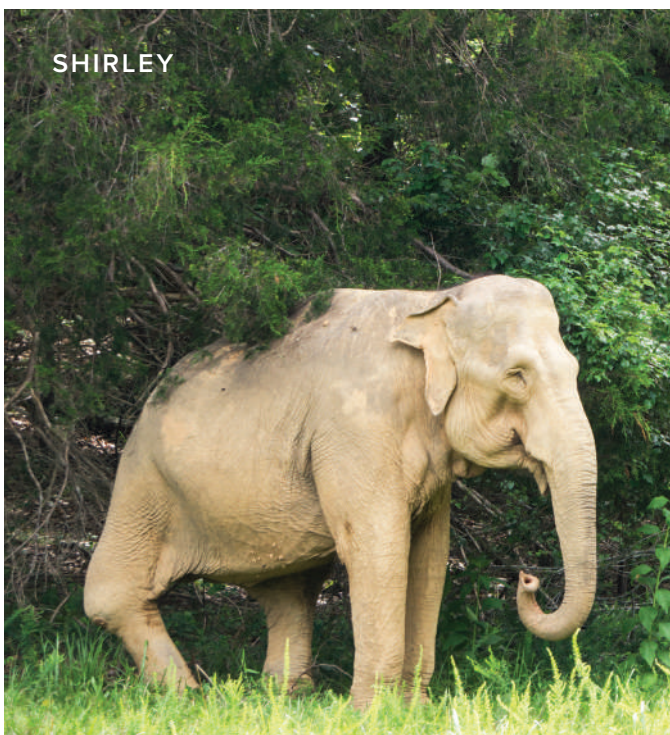
Tarra has joined Shirley on many of her adventures throughout the habitat, as the two have been inseparable for much of the spring and summer. Caregivers say there is no doubt how much they appreciate one another's presence; in fact, Shirley has recently been seen giving Tarra back scratches with her trunk while Tarra rumbles and barks in satisfaction. They have been observed playfully interacting at meal times—spinning around, tossing buckets of hay over their heads, and trumpeting—before sharing a flake of hay. Many nights, however, the hay left by Caregivers goes unfinished because the grass and trees are so bountiful this time of year in Tennessee.



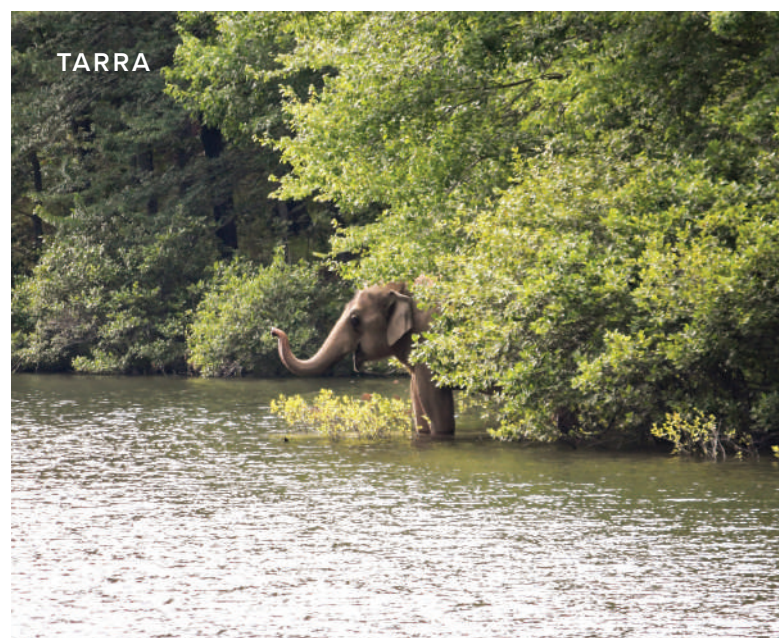
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# A WORLD FOR ELEPHANTS

The Elephant Sanctuary connects with the global elephant community to promote best practices in conservation and welfare of elephants.

For the fifth year, The Sanctuary is expanding our support of organizations in range countries where elephants face threats related to:



**Industry  
& Labor**



**Habitat  
Loss**



**Tourism**



**Human-Elephant  
Conflict**



**Entertainment**



**Poaching**

Through your support and a generous bequest from Mark Hopkins Schell Trust, The Sanctuary continues to expand our international partnership on four continents: Africa, Europe, Asia, and South America. We are pleased to award gifts to the following international organizations for 2019.

## » Africa

### **Caitlin O'Connell/Utopia Scientific/African Elephant Society**

For continued research of the long-term dynamic of wild African elephant societies and the implications for conservation. Research takes place within the northeast region of Etosha National Park, Namibia at Mushara waterhole.

[utopiascientific.org](http://utopiascientific.org)

### **Elephants Without Borders**

To provide care for three abandoned and rescued elephant calves in Botswana until they can be reintroduced back into the wild.

[elephantswithoutborders.org](http://elephantswithoutborders.org)

### **ElephantVoices**

For the expansion of a unique, user-friendly, fully searchable elephant gestures and calls database to document the complex and diverse communication and behavior of African elephants for scientists and others to study, compare and share.

[elephantvoices.org](http://elephantvoices.org)

### **Stellenbosch University**

In support of expanded TB research in wild elephants.

## » Africa and Asia

### **Working Dogs 4 Conservation**

To train rescue dogs in global conservation projects including the detection of ivory poaching and trafficking.

[wd4c.org](http://wd4c.org)

## » Brazil

### **Global Sanctuary for Elephants**

To help secure land and build in preparation for the retirement of more elephants in South America.

[globalelephants.org](http://globalelephants.org)

## » China

### **Animals Asia Foundation**

To support training opportunities for elephant managers in Chinese zoos that will equip them to better meet the complex needs of captive elephants.

[animalsasia.org](http://animalsasia.org)

## » East Malaysia

### **Wild Welfare**

For training of elephant personnel at Lok Kawi Wildlife Park in Sabah, East Malaysia to improve the immediate and long-term quality of care and welfare of 14 Bornean elephants.

[wildwelfare.org](http://wildwelfare.org)

## » Europe

### **Elephant Haven**

To support barn needs for Europe's first dedicated sanctuary for elephants.

[elephanthaven.com](http://elephanthaven.com)

## » India

### **Wildlife SOS**

To help monitor and understand elephant movements within the Raipur districts of Chhattisgarh and to train Forest Department officers in human-elephant conflict mitigation.

[wildlifesos.org](http://wildlifesos.org)



# Save the Date and Celebrate!

August 12 — World Elephant Day

World Elephant Day is an international initiative established in 2012, and is the vehicle by which organizations and individuals can rally together to give voice to the issues threatening elephants.



## » What you can do:



Be wary of attractions that offer elephant shows, rides, or baths. In order to offer these experiences, elephants are trained through domination.



When planning a visit to a zoo, nature park, or sanctuary in the US, look for GFAS and/or AZA accreditations.



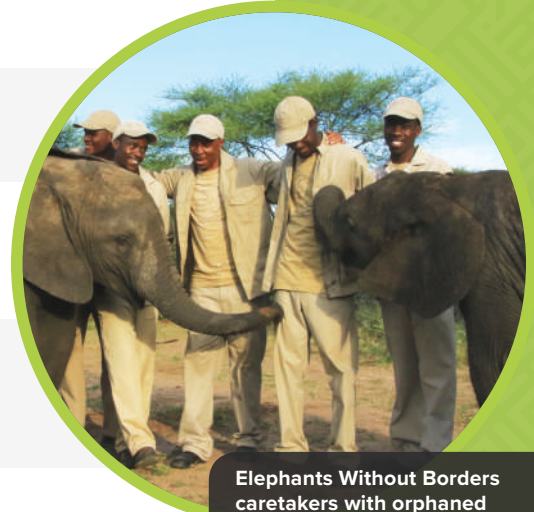
When travelling abroad, seek experiences that offer observation-only of elephants engaging in natural behaviors in natural environments, where they can socialize and roam.



Read one- and two-star reviews on online review sites such as Google, Yelp, TripAdvisor, and Facebook, which often include animal welfare concerns cited by visitors.



Find out where your city stands on animals in performance and then ask your local officials to prevent permits to shows traveling with wild/exotic animals and express your support for bills that protect wild/exotic animals.



Elephants Without Borders caretakers with orphaned elephants to be reintroduced into the wild



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In North America, public concern over the use of wild animals in entertainment has been increasing with more than 40 countries around the world, 28 Canadian municipal jurisdictions, seven US states and 149 other US cities, towns, and counties passing restrictions or bans involving the use of wild animals in performance. In 2019, both New Jersey and Hawaii have passed statewide laws banning the use of all wild animals in circuses, and Massachusetts, California, and Pennsylvania have introduced similar legislation.

Speak out, shop smart, rethink everyday habits, travel responsibly. Make a change! Follow along at **#BeElephantEthical**





SANCTUARY STORYTIME AT THE DISCOVERY CENTER

## » Have You Herd?

Educating the public is a year round affair at The Elephant Discovery Center. The Summer Saturdays series, which runs through August, addresses topics of sustainability, enrichment, and life at The Sanctuary for our resident elephants. We're offering something for everyone with story time for preschool children, a recycled art lab for middle and high school students, and enrichment workshops and Caregiver chats for families and visitors of all ages. For a complete schedule and description of events visit [elephants.com/discovery-center](http://elephants.com/discovery-center) or RSVP to the events on Facebook.

With the fall school semester fast approaching, The Elephant Discovery Center hopes to expand our educational reach to our neighbors throughout the state. With completed exhibits and new programming in place, The Elephant Discovery Center is ready to welcome your school or community group for a visit. Come to learn about The Sanctuary's elephants and their wild cousins through hands-on crafts, games, guided experiences and more. Visit [elephants.com/discovery-center](http://elephants.com/discovery-center) and choose "For Teachers" or "For Groups" to request dates for your visit.

If your school is located in Middle Tennessee but can't make it to Hohenwald, we will come to you. The Sanctuary's Education

Team is looking for test groups for our latest educational program – Curriculum in A Box. These interactive and informative lessons cover topics of habitats and adaptations, keystone species, elephant advocacy and the history of The Sanctuary. Each lesson box contains all the lesson plans, props, and materials needed to engage your students in an hour of learning, and each lesson is designed to meet specific curriculum standards in science, language arts or social studies. If you are interested in piloting this program at your school, please contact Education Manager Joy Owens at [jowens@elephants.com](mailto:jowens@elephants.com).

Closer to home, The Elephant Sanctuary proudly supports the continued education of local Lewis County students with college scholarships each year. Through the Lewis County Education Foundation, The Elephant Sanctuary awards scholarships to graduating seniors from Lewis County High School. In addition to submitting an essay application and taking part in an interview with The Sanctuary's Education Staff, award recipients are asked to participate in an on-site volunteer day at The Sanctuary. The Sanctuary wishes this year's scholarship recipients, Hayden Bass, Trinity Runions, and Jessica Fall the best of luck with their future endeavors!



Elephant craft from the Recycled Art Lab



Volunteer Day with The Sanctuary's scholarship recipients



## » Supporter Spotlight



### Mary the Elephant Inspires New Generation of Elephant Advocates

This year, four high school juniors in Elizabethton, Tennessee created a podcast about Mary, a circus elephant who was killed in the town of Erwin, Tennessee in 1916. Out of nearly 6,000 entries, their podcast won 1st place in the high school category of National Public Radio's first Student Podcast Challenge and has helped spread awareness about the difficulties facing elephants in captivity. To tell the story, students interviewed archivists, politicians, and community members who have worked to create a new legacy for Erwin through an annual community festival— Erwin Elephant Revival—in honor of Mary, with proceeds going to The Elephant Sanctuary.

In British Columbia, students with Seaton Secondary School's 27th Street Theatre Company recently put on a production of Elephant's Graveyard, a play by George Brant about Mary's life and tragic ending. "This helps to bring the story full circle," Director Lana O'Brien told Vernon Morning Star Newspaper, "Closing a door on the past, and opening a door to the future." Proceeds from ticket sales and an art auction held by the theater company were donated to The Elephant Sanctuary.

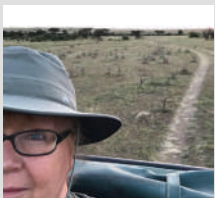


NPR's Student Podcast Challenge Winners



The Seaton Theatre Company produced George Brant's Elephant's Graveyard

### EleAmbassador Spotlight: Donnalee Callahan



More than 150 dedicated EleAmbassadors from around the country volunteer their time to share stories of The Sanctuary with their communities. Long-time EleAmbassador Donnalee Callahan works as a travel guide and has traveled extensively in eastern Africa.

I was fortunate to grow up with "Born Free" on the big screen, "Wild Kingdom" on the small screen - Hemingway and Kipling in the library. I loved adventure, and I dreamed of faraway lands. As an adult, I've realized my childhood dreams. Twenty-seven years ago I stepped foot on African soil, and I've been returning ever since. I frequently work as a guide, escorting groups on safari. My favorite destination is Kenya.

Kenya is the home to an abundance of elephants, some of whom I have been fortunate to see in their natural habitats. To be amongst elephants is to witness a loving, matriarchal society, the ultimate in "girl power" — intelligent, resourceful, kind, patient, playful. I've never tired of watching elephants splashing in mud holes or picking the tiny pods off of acacia trees to munch as a special treat.

The elephant population in Kenya is around 15,000, and while ivory poaching has caused devastating losses to the elephant population there, there are signs that the number of elephants poached is decreasing. There is hope for elephants in Kenya.

I believe in giving my tourism dollars to countries that are making a positive difference. Though still a developing country, Kenya is setting an example to the world. In 2017, a ban on grocery type plastic bags was implemented. In 2020, single use plastic bottles will no longer be permitted in national reserves, parks, or beaches. I'm anxious for this law. In the past year, I've seen lion cubs gnawing on plastic containers, and an undigested water bottle lid in hyena scat.

Prior to my move to Middle Tennessee, I learned of The Elephant Sanctuary and what a great example it is in providing lifetime care for elephants. I've been an "EleAmbassador" for four years, and love parlaying my enthusiasm for elephants at Discovery Center events, speaking engagements, or volunteer opportunities wherever it is needed.

Maya Angelou said, "When you know better, you do better." In my small ways, I keep striving to do better when I travel, and back home.

**To become an EleAmbassador in your community, visit [elephants.com/volunteer](https://elephants.com/volunteer).**





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## » Support An Elephant

### BECOME A MEMBER

The Elephant Sanctuary is working to provide a safe haven where elephants can retire with dignity, roam free in a natural habitat, and receive a lifetime of individualized care. Join our herd as a Member with a one-time donation of \$50 or more.

You can become a Sustaining Member by making recurring monthly gifts that support the ongoing care for The Sanctuary's resident elephants, as well as support educational programming to ensure elephants survive for generations to come. Donations of any amount are greatly appreciated and will receive an acknowledgment by email.

### ADOPT AN ELEPHANT

The Elephant Sanctuary in Tennessee cares for 11 elephants, all retired from exhibition and performance. By adopting one (or more) of The Sanctuary's elephants, you become a partner in The Sanctuary's mission to provide the gift of herd, home, rest, refuge, and individualized care for life. Can't pick a favorite? Make your \$50+ Adopt donation apply wherever is needed to provide The Sanctuary's residents with the care they deserve. Those who select a single elephant will receive a *Certificate of Adoption* and information on your "adoptee." All adopters are eligible for the benefits outlined on this page.

### FEED AN ELEPHANT

Each of The Sanctuary's resident elephants consumes about 150 lbs. of food each day, which costs approximately \$50 per elephant. To enhance the nutrition the elephants get by naturally foraging in their habitats (especially rich with foliage in the summer months), Care Staff provide additional food and supplements according to the dietary needs and preferences of the elephants. Whether watermelon for Tange, bamboo for Ronnie, or bananas for Shirley, you can offset the costs of treating the elephants to a specialized "menu" for a day and also learn more about elephant diets with a bonus *Feed an Elephant* photo card.

### FUNDRAISE FOR ELEPHANTS

Turn your next special occasion (birthday, marathon, wedding, graduation or "just because!") into a chance to raise support for The Elephant Sanctuary! When you start a peer fundraising campaign – which takes just a minute to set up online with a name, photo and brief "call to action" – you can reach your elephant-loving friends with the mission of The Sanctuary and invite them to participate in changing the lives of the elephants here in Tennessee. Visit [shop.elephants.com/create-a-fundraiser](https://shop.elephants.com/create-a-fundraiser) to get started.

### With a generous gift of \$50 or more, you will receive:

- Monthly **EleNews** email updates, including invitations to special events
- A one-year **subscription** to The Sanctuary's triannual newsletter, *Trunklines*
- Eligibility to apply for a **Volunteer Day** at The Elephant Sanctuary

### Dedicate Your Gift:

For a unique gift to celebrate special days, or to express sympathy and cherished memories, consider making a donation to The Elephant Sanctuary "In Honor" or "In Memory" of a loved person or pet.

### Other Ways To Give:

To learn more about The Sanctuary's VIP Membership Program and Shirley's Legacy Program, contact [lorenda@elephants.com](mailto:lorenda@elephants.com) or 931-796-6500 ext. 105.



# Elephant Sanctuary Merchandise



## Adult T-Shirts

**\$24.95**

SM, MED, LG, XL, XXL, XXXL

This worn-in vintage-inspired unisex T-shirt is made in the USA from 100% soft-spun cotton. The Elephant Sanctuary logo is printed on the back.



**Shirley T-Shirt**  
Color: Ice Blue

**Flora T-Shirt**  
Color: Poppy

**Tange T-Shirt**  
Color: Navy

**Tarra T-Shirt**  
Color: Brick



**Sukari T-Shirt**  
Color: Khaki

**Sissy T-Shirt**  
Color: Royal Caribbean

**Minnie T-Shirt**  
Color: Yam

**Billie T-Shirt**  
Color: Blue Spruce

**Ronnie T-Shirt**  
Color: Seafoam

**Debbie T-Shirt**  
Color: Wine



### Find Your Herd Original T-Shirt

**\$24.95**

SM, MED, LG, XL, XXL, XXXL

Looking for your herd? Find it in this new, super-soft 100% ring-spun cotton "Find Your Herd" T-shirt.

Color: Kiwi Green



### Find Your Herd Women's T-Shirt

**\$24.95**

SM, MED, LG, XL, XXL, XXXL

Looking for your herd? Find it in this new, super-soft 100% ring-spun cotton "Find Your Herd" T-shirt. Side-seamed with a contoured body for a feminine fit.

Color: Coral



### Find Your Herd Youth T-Shirt

**\$18.95**

XS, SM, MED, LG, XL

This brand new youth T-shirt distinguishes your child as part of a global herd of elephant lovers. Made by Gildan, this 100% cotton T-shirt is perfect for playtime.

Color: Navy



### Women's Logo T-Shirt

**\$24.95**

This women's cut T-shirt features The Sanctuary's logo on the left chest in green, and the website on the back. Side seamed with a contoured body for a feminine fit.

Color: Heather Gray



### Have You Herd? T-Shirt

**\$24.95**

Made by Comfort Colors from 100% cotton, this graphite-colored T-shirt features The Sanctuary's logo on the front left chest and "Have you herd? Hohenwald is home to elephants" on the back.



### The Elephant Sanctuary Klean Kanteen

**\$29.95**

This durable, double-wall construction 20 oz bottle keeps contents hot or cold for hours. Co-branded with Klean Kanteen, compatible with most cup holders. A wide (54mm) opening fits ice, and is easy to fill and pour.



### Portrait of Shirley Notecards

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### Elephant Health Care Center Update

With two shipments of steel, construction of The Elephant Health Care Center is on the horizon. The site is ready for build-out on the acreage that will host the 1,800-square-foot vet offices, lab and meeting space, plus the nearby two-stall, 4,220-square-foot elephant barn with a solar array. We are excited to report the gates and fencing for the vet habitat are already being manufactured in preparation for installation at The Sanctuary.

*The gifts continue* — donors and foundations have stepped forward with an additional \$350,000 to outfit the veterinary lab and expand the area of habitat fencing. Thank you for partnering with us to create this modern facility specifically designed to meet the needs of aging, captive elephants.

### Awards and Recognition

Our strong performance as an animal welfare/wildlife conservation 501(c)(3) non-profit is recognized by reputable charity monitoring groups.



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