# TRUNK LINES





### **Inside The Sanctuary**

As longer, warmer days come to Tennessee, our elephant residents are choosing to travel farther away from the heated barns to nap in the sun and socialize with their companions. Each elephant has been busy exploring the seasonal changes in their vast habitats, browsing the new spring grasses, splashing in the spring rains, and wallowing in the mud.

Like the elephants, The Sanctuary's Facilities Team has been active with preparations and updates to ensure fences are maintained, habitats are secure, and there are clear pathways for elephant exploration. At Asia Habitat, there are new trails for **Sissy** to travel and more space for **Nosey** to roam. These changes give them opportunities to socialize as they grow more comfortable with one another. A new perimeter trail created at Africa Habitat gives Care Staff easier access to deliver diets to **Flora**, **Sukari**, and **Tange**. And inside Q Habitat, hillside walkways and paths to each pond have been cleared for **Billie**, **Minnie**, **Debbie**, and **Ronnie**.

The Education Team has been continually active too, tailoring their virtual learning programs to groups from grade school to seniors, connecting with over 14,000 individuals by the end of 2021. Those numbers only continue to grow through 2022, lending more opportunity to educate the public on the complex needs of elephants in captivity and the crisis facing elephants in the wild, as well as share the incredible stories of the elephant residents at The Sanctuary.

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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 3,060 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**.

#### LETTER FROM OUR CEO

#### Dear Friends,

It is spring in Tennessee — there are leaves on the trees, jonquils in bloom, and new projects underway all over The Sanctuary. Trails inside the elephant habitats are being cleared, perimeter pathways for Care Staff have been expanded, and new fences are under construction — all to give the elephants better access and new areas for exploration. Every day, The Sanctuary Staff look for novel ways to improve our facilities and practices to promote the comfort, dignity, and autonomy of the elephants aging in our care. **Billie** is now 60 years old, and while she continues to move throughout the Q Habitat, she often returns to the barn at night where the sand has been sculpted to give her comfort in lying down and ease in getting up. Our Vet and Care Teams are quick to confirm that The Sanctuary's expanded natural habitats provide unlimited opportunities for socialization, sunshine, sleep, and exercise — all crucial components to improved health and welfare of geriatric elephants. Celebrating Billie's 60th birthday was indeed a truly special occasion for everyone (For more of her story, read Carol Bradley's book, *Last Chain on Billie*)!

In this issue of *Trunklines*, we announce The Sanctuary's 2022 International Partners. With a recent generous gift from the Janet M. Johnston Foundation, we continue to grow our support of projects that focus on the protection of wild elephants and promote best practices in the management of captive elephants. We are excited to be a part of this global community working to give all elephants a better world.

While there is much to celebrate in this new year, we remain heartbroken over the court's decision in November, after a long legal process, to return **Tarra** to her previous owner. She is very much missed at Asia Habitat and throughout The Sanctuary. Her longtime fans and supporters have communicated their shared feelings of loss and sadness. Tarra, The Sanctuary's Founding Elephant and the acknowledged "social butterfly" of the herd, is always in our thoughts. As one staff member pointed out, "Tarra's footprints go across The Sanctuary in all directions." Like many of you, we watch for updates on social media and wish Tarra the very best in this new chapter. It has meant changes for her companion **Sissy**, who has received lots and lots of extra attention. And now with spring and sunny days, we are all enjoying watching Sissy spend more time with **Nosey**, swapping hay and enrichments along their shared fence line. We are ever hopeful that there will be new elephants to join them in the near future.

Thank you for your continued support. Thank you for making Sanctuary possible for Billie, Sissy, Nosey, and all the elephants living here, and for those elephants to come.







### Thank you for supporting our mission!





# » Africa Habitat & Barn

Spring days are starting to fill with sunshine and warmer temperatures in Tennessee, which means more habitat exploration for **Flora**, **Tange**, and **Sukari**. All three Africans continue to surprise Care Staff with the ever-changing places they travel throughout their vast habitat. Each elephant finds time for both solo exploration and to connect with herd mates. Recently, Flora and Sukari traversed the valleys while Tange occasionally chose to browse closer to the barn. All three routinely meet in the evenings, spending time interacting with each other before dinner.

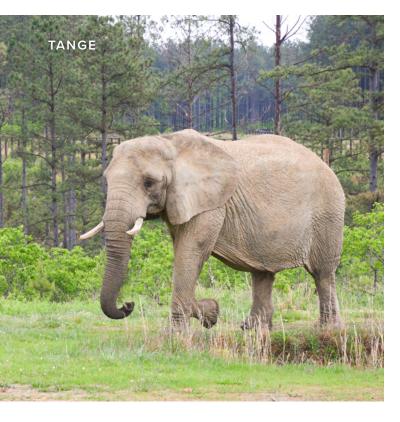
Intrigued by the rolling hills and quiet valleys, Sukari and Tange have been soaking up the sun's rays and feasting on the wide variety of grasses in the southern areas of the Africa Habitat. The pair, who are almost always together, were also observed mudding in the many wallows they have created. Sukari was on her belly in the mud, relaxed with feet splayed, as Tange continued her ongoing wallow expansion! Flora alternated between spending time with her companions and pulling down trees, an activity that occupies much of her time. After knocking down oak and large tulip poplar, she snacked on the leaves and tasty bark.

Over the cooler days, the elephants stayed busy and engaged with enrichment items carefully crafted by Care Staff as well as an incredible assortment of donated evergreen trees after the holiday season. Sukari was seen on the EleCam several times, tossing the trees around to shake all of the hay out that Caregivers had stuffed in the branches. The Sanctuary collected nearly 500 trees thanks to generous donors from across Tennessee and other





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neighboring states. The annual Christmas Tree Drive continues to provide the elephants with plenty of foraging and enrichment opportunities, and we are thankful to everyone who contributed!

Africa Barn is excited to announce that the Facilities Team has added a perimeter trail around the South Valley section of the habitat. The new trail will help Staff continue to deliver diets to the elephants wherever they have chosen to explore without entering their habitat space. Reaping the benefits of the newly created trail, Tange and Sukari happily snacked on the small trees and browse that the Facilities Team had cleared as the elephants monitored the project's progress from afar. In addition, a new EleCam tower has been built in a field between Q and Africa Habitats, and thanks to Flora's help in downing a few nearby trees, the view is incredible! Using solar-powered camera systems, EleCam towers allow increased monitoring of elephants for both Care Staff and supporters, and provide distance learning opportunities to schools and groups around the globe. To view Flora, Tange, and Sukari, visit elephants.com/elecams.





## » Q Habitat & Barn

There has been much to celebrate at Q Barn this year. **Billie**, the oldest elephant at The Sanctuary, celebrated her 60th birthday in February. Care Staff prepared special birthday enrichment treats, including a stack of tires stuffed with fresh hay inside and all around. Birthday "candles" were crafted out of bamboo sticks, while peanut butter, molasses, and popcorn formed a celebratory number 60. Sixty years is often called the diamond birthday, so Caregivers creatively fashioned a pretend diamond ring with bamboo and sweet potatoes. Lastly, Billie received a vegan cake made of Mazuri, blended beet frosting, apples shaped into roses for decoration, and a "B" for Billie written with oats. At The Sanctuary, no detail gets forgotten!

Billie, who continues to impress Caregivers by taking advantage of new opportunities to socialize with her herd mates, has been interacting with **Minnie** and **Ronnie**. Billie is known to be a more timid elephant, and in the past, Minnie has displayed some dominant behavior toward her. Caregivers described Billie as brave and curious as she stuck her trunk out to greet and smell Minnie while both were inside the barn. Billie squeaked a few times and never took her trunk away from Minnie as the two socialized quietly for several minutes. After Minnie left, Ronnie came inside and shared her morning browse with Billie. Even **Debbie** joined in on the activities by "waving" with her trunk from afar. We celebrate each and every positive social opportunity for Billie and all the elephants here at The Sanctuary!

This year marks the 16th anniversary since Debbie, Minnie, Ronnie, and Billie retired to The Sanctuary! In 2006, as a result of USDA prosecutions against the Hawthorn Corporation for violations of the Animal Welfare Act involving inadequate care and mistreatment of its elephants, 11 members of the Hawthorn elephant herd were moved to The Sanctuary, including all of the current Q Barn residents. Sixteen years after their retirement, they continue to thrive. Ronnie and Debbie are most often seen traveling the habitat together, making trips to the pond and through the woods and pastures to take in all that Q Habitat has to offer, often with Minnie nearby. The three had a recent gathering where they spent time trumpeting and rumbling, touching one another with their trunks, and enjoying a fresh drink of water together. Minnie arrived wearing a "hat" made of grass — but it didn't take long before Ronnie took the straw for herself to throw on her back!



#### SPRING 2022



Taking full advantage of the warming spring temperatures, Debbie, Minnie, and Ronnie have been exploring the habitat through the evenings and into the early mornings, then choosing to sleep in until late morning or napping throughout the day. Some mornings, instead of returning to the barn, they wander into the habitat to catch the early sunbeams. Debbie and Ronnie have been spotted sleeping on the quiet hillside after a night of travels. Care Staff have paid special attention to Billie's current sleep patterns. In the past, she had shown signs of discomfort and reluctance to lie down. However, thanks to collaboration between The Sanctuary's Care Staff, Veterinary Department, and Facility Team, a comfortable environment was skillfully designed to meet Billie's needs, featuring a sand pile that provides the exact slope she needs to lie down to rest and stand up with ease. Her barn is warm and quiet, and with her soft bed, her Caregivers say she is getting plenty of "beauty sleep." Caregivers arriving in the early mornings are careful not to wake her.







# » Asia Habitat & Barn

Springtime in Tennessee always means more time for elephants to roam and explore their habitats. It also brings time napping in the sun, which is precisely what **Sissy** chose to do this spring! **Nosey**, on the other hand, received some head scrubs from Care Staff (with a long-handled brush donated by a generous supporter), crouching down so the brush could reach the very top of her head, which, at over eight feet tall, is usually out of reach. Nosey was also seen relishing in some of her new enrichment items, charging, quickly moving around, trumpeting, and even lying down to kick the logs provided by Care Staff. Enrichment activity and engagement are an essential part of the well-being of each elephant at The Sanctuary. Enrichment items target specific needs for each individual elephant, increasing stimulation and encouraging natural behaviors.

Ordinary, everyday objects may be repurposed for enrichment, including fire hoses, tires, culverts, Christmas trees, and more. Staff work closely together to create exciting new enrichment opportunities for the elephants, and to ensure that all items are safe, Veterinary and Elephant Care Management are involved in the design process, giving Care Staff the final approval on all enrichment items. Care Staff get extra help from Sanctuary Volunteers who help by filling cardboard tubes with popcorn or stuffing tires with hay and bamboo.

Cognizant of the physical differences between African and Asian elephants, Nosey and Sissy each have access to their defined areas of the habitat, sharing a fence line that allows them to grow comfortable with one another in their own time, with the added security of a barrier. Each day, the Husbandry Team ensures that both elephants have opportunities to choose to explore a variety of terrain and trails. The Facilities Team has been working.





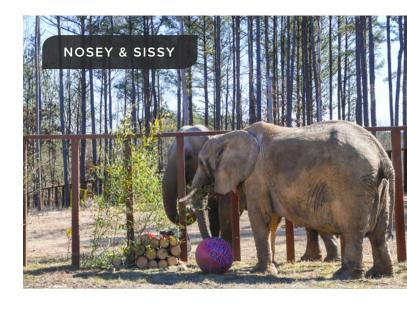
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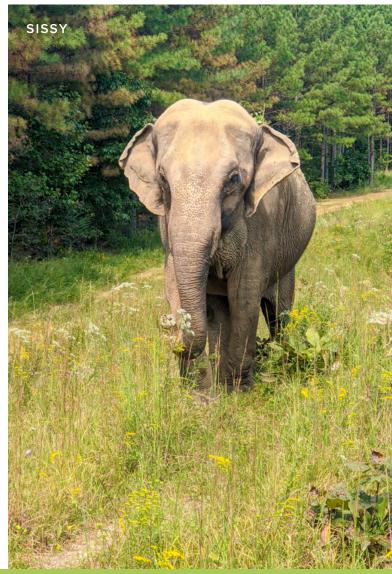


hard to complete new trails for Sissy to travel to Second Pipeline (her most frequented area of Asia's 1,600-acre habitat) while also allowing Nosey simultaneous access to an even larger portion of her space. Work has already begun on upgrading the fencing at Asia Habitat to provide further exploratory and social opportunities for these elephants and those to come.

Even with all the exploring, Nosey and Sissy have continued to make time to socialize with one another at the fence line; Caregivers often observe deep rumbles (a sign of an affiliative interaction), trumpeting, and Sissy's signature trunk pops. They have been interacting both inside the barn and out, day or night. They frequently eat breakfast beside each other, often touching trunks! On warm nights, they share a fence line outside overnight, and thus far, Caregivers report many positive interactions. The EleCam captured them contentedly grazing together at the fence one sunny day, with Sissy reaching over to Nosey's side to get the best chunks of grass. You can view this and other videos of our elephant residents by visiting youtube.com/elephantsanctuarytn.









# » Elephant Health Care Center

The Elephant Health Care Center opened last fall and has quickly become the center of much activity at The Sanctuary. Positioned conveniently among the three distinct habitats (Africa, Asia, and Q) on Sanctuary grounds, it is a primary location for the Vet Team and elephant Care Staff workshops, elephant healthcare-focused discussions, and meetings with visiting elephant care professionals.

The Sanctuary's Vet Team, including Dr. Steven Scott, Dr. Lydia Young, and Veterinary Services Manager Eileen Keating, has been very excited to settle into their new spacious working office. During their move from several different locations on Sanctuary grounds, Dr. Scott noted that it is the first time that the Vet Team has ever had a designated shared office, newly furnished with plenty of shelving to organize their ever-growing reference library.

As the Veterinary Services Manager, Eileen has utilized the new Elephant Health Care Center Veterinary Lab to hold training sessions for Care Staff and answer their questions. She has been quick to point out the lab's ample working space and the special equipment such as the minus 80 freezer for storing samples, the new digital microscope, and the biosafety hood.

VET SERVICES MANAGER
EILEEN K. WORKS WITH
CARE STAFF IN THE VET LAB

We are grateful for the support of more than 1,800 donors who made this facility possible, with special thanks to the Sherry Chappell Cooper Foundation of Florida for their generous gift to furnish and outfit the Vet Lab in loving memory of founder, Sherry Chappell Cooper. We are excited for the knowledge-gathering and collaboration that will continue to happen here!

The Elephant Health Care Center's open meeting space and offices outfitted with up-to-date technology have expanded the opportunities to network with elephant care professionals from around the world in pursuit of sharing knowledge and providing the best care for elephants in captivity.

In December, The Sanctuary welcomed Dr. Farina Othman to the Health Care Center. Farina is an elephant ecologist based in Sabah, Malaysia who established a nonprofit called Seratu Aatai, which works to promote the coexistence between humans and elephants by improving the welfare of both wild and captive elephants through research, education, and outreach. She started her visit off meeting with Vet Staff before stopping at each of the barns to learn more about Protected Contact at The Sanctuary (catching her first glimpse of an African elephant!), exploring the exhibits at the Elephant Discovery Center, and presenting her expertise to all Sanctuary Staff.



#### **OUR 2022 INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS**

#### » A FRICA

#### Elephant Voices / KENYA

To continue research, fieldwork in Amboseli National Park, and further development of searchable database, *The Elephant Ethogram: A Library of African Elephant Behavior*, documenting the complex and diverse repertoire of African savanna elephant behavior and communication.

elephantvoices.org

#### **Elephants Without Borders / BOTSWANA**

For protection and care of orphaned elephants as they transition to a fully natural environment in the elephant range in preparation for release into the wild.

elephantswithoutborders.org

#### Stellenbosch University / SOUTH AFRICA

To support ongoing research to improve the health and welfare of African elephants.

sun.ac.za

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

For fieldwork in Etosha National Park gathering data on elephant behaviors, family hierarchies, conflict resolution over resources, and relationships of male elephants.

utopiascientific.org

#### Working Dogs 4 Conservation / NIGERIA

To increase the presence of canine teams used to rapidly identify, track, and stop poachers in elephant range countries. **wd4c.com** 

» A S I A

#### Animals Asia Foundation / VIETNAM

To broaden the model for ethical tourism programs, removing elephants from elephant riding tourism and developing opportunities for freedom to roam in Dak Lak province. animalsasia.org

#### Wild Welfare / MALAYSIA

To support fieldwork, education, and training for improved care and welfare of captive Bornean elephants at Lok Kawi Wildlife Park in Sabah.

wildwelfare.org

#### Wildlife SOS / INDIA

To continue the Chhattisgarh Elephant Safety Project work in the mitigation of human-elephant conflict and the protection of wild elephants.

wildlifesos.org

» EUROPE

#### Elephant Haven / FRANCE

For staffing and training to meet the needs of Gandhi, Asian elephant retired in 2021, and for preparations for additional retired zoo and circus elephants.

elephanthaven.com

» SOUTH AMERICA

#### Global Sanctuary for Elephants / BRAZIL

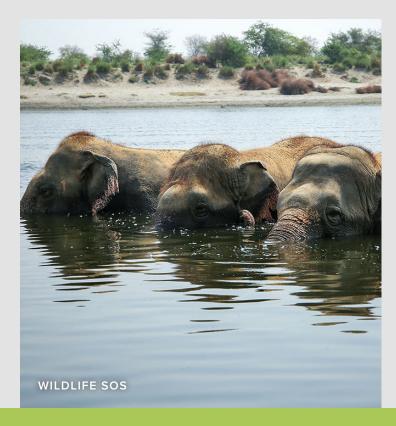
For support of expanding facilities for refuge, rehabilitation, and lifetime care of captive elephants in South America. *globalelephants.org* 

#### ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK (CAITLIN O'CONNELL)



# » International Partners

The Elephant Sanctuary is not alone in its vision of a better world for all elephants through improved welfare and a commitment to conservation. The Sanctuary is excited to partner with like-minded organizations in Europe, South America, Asia, and Africa, all working in their respective regions to improve the lives of elephants in captivity and protect the lives of elephants in the wild. Thanks to The Elephant Sanctuary Board of Directors, and with generous support from the Mark Hopkins Schell Trust and the Janet M. Johnston Foundation, funding is made available for projects dedicated to elephant conservation, field research, education, and welfare.

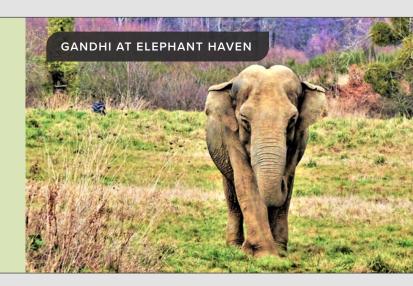




### » A spotlight on recent International Partner collaborations

#### **ELEPHANT HAVEN**

Founded by Tony Verhulst and Sofie Goetghebeur, Elephant Haven is situated on 60 acres in the southwest of France. It is now home to its first resident, Gandhi, a 52-year-old Asian elephant. Gandhi was imported from the wild as a calf and lived at several different zoological parks before retiring to Elephant Haven to live out her life gracefully in this peaceful refuge. Last fall, The Sanctuary's Senior Elephant Care Manager, Kristy Eaker, traveled to France to Elephant Haven to meet with their team and assist in preparations for Gandhi's transfer and transport. The Sanctuary is very proud to have been a part of Gandhi's retirement.



#### **WILD WELFARE**

Earlier this year, The Elephant Sanctuary was pleased to host Dr. David Jones, Dave Morgan, and Margaret Whittaker of Wild Welfare. After they received a full tour of The Sanctuary's barns and facilities, they graciously collaborated with Sanctuary Staff, lending expertise on welfare and internal training programs. It was an honor to hear their perspective and receive praise for the dedicated care of our elephant residents and the international conservation efforts made by The Elephant Sanctuary.



#### WORKING DOGS FOR CONSERVATION

In March, The Elephant Sanctuary welcomed members of Working Dogs for Conservation (WD4C): Lauren Wendt, Law Enforcement Training Lead, along with dog trainers, Sydney and Christopher, from Zambia. The WD4C Team was interested in learning more about elephant behaviors and how Sanctuary Staff use Protected Contact and positive reinforcement to interact with elephants as they participate in their own care. "It's always powerful for dog trainers to see people train other species," said Pete Coppolillo, Executive Director of WD4C.





### » Have You Herd?

The Elephant Sanctuary's Education Team has been offering virtual educational opportunities since 2013, connecting with thousands of individuals and students in many different countries, including Greece, Colombia, Malaysia, India, and Canada. These virtual learning programs have varied based on each group's required needs, including grade school science classes, adult groups in senior living facilities, college student projects, and English Language Learners who hope to learn about the world while honing their English skills. Earlier this year, Education Manager Laura R. interacted with students in an English class in New Delhi, India where students were encouraged to practice asking questions in English.

The Sanctuary's programs meet many Next Generation Science Standards in the United States. Meeting these standards encourages teachers to schedule programs within their curriculum throughout the school year, and most of our programs are also accompanied by activities like the EleCam Scavenger Hunt to encourage engagement with The Sanctuary before and after programs. "Laura was wonderful! She engaged with our students, and it felt as if she was in the room with us! I have recommended this to our administrators and other educators! It was definitely worth it and our students talked about it the rest of the day!" said Ms. Echols, a teacher from North Carolina. Since 2020, The Elephant Sanctuary has had programs in 46 of the 50 U.S. states — the team is working to add Alabama, Hawaii, Montana, and South Dakota to the list (calling all teachers from these states!)



While each program may vary based on the groups' needs, one thing is constant: the Education Team has learned much from the individuals they engage with, including the word "elephant" in four languages! They keep track of the most creative and interesting questions from each session. A few of Laura's favorites:

- · Can elephants sing?
- · Do elephants have last names?
- · Are all elephants gray?
- · Are elephants sassy?
- · Why do elephants have tails?
- · Do elephants ever live on the beach?

Elephants may not live on the beach, but they do live in Tennessee, and we are thankful to share that with so many people around the world. For more info on scheduling a Distance Learning session, visit elephants.com/distance-learning.



# The Elephant Discovery Center

The Sanctuary is excited to welcome visitors to The Elephant Discovery Center in downtown Hohenwald, Tennessee! The Discovery Center offers hands-on, self-guided exhibits and educational programming that explores the many ways elephants shape our world. Although the elephants' habitats are not open to the public, The Discovery Center allows visitors of all ages to develop a deeper understanding of and compassion for elephants and discover what a day-in-the-life at The Elephant Sanctuary is like — all while allowing the elephants to remain undisturbed in their habitats.

The Discovery Center is open Tuesday through Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Admission is always free, though donations are welcome. Our Education Team is onhand to answer questions and guide you through the exhibit space.

To learn more about family, group, or class visits, go to: elephants.com/discovery-center

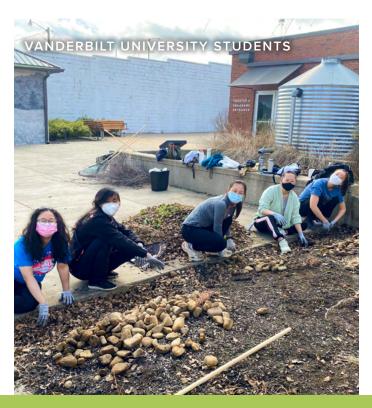


# » Volunteers Return to The Sanctuary

Volunteers bring an unmatched spark of passion to The Sanctuary; their enthusiasm is infectious and their work ethic inexhaustible — although a hot August day in Middle Tennessee can sometimes challenge even the hardiest volunteer. Volunteers do not interact with the elephants, and there is never a guarantee that they will see one during their day, but nevertheless, they are getting their hands dirty, connecting to The Sanctuary and its work. After a Volunteer Day at The Sanctuary, Lynn from Pennsylvania said, "The entire day was spent doing useful, productive tasks, and I got to see donor money being wisely spent. My endorphins are still rushing! Every time I think of that day, I smile."

In early spring, after a year-and-a-half long hiatus due to safety and health recommendations from the Tennessee Department of Health and Center for Disease Control during the COVID-19 pandemic, The Sanctuary officially began welcoming back its volunteers. We received hundreds of applications from Sanctuary Members for our fifteen Volunteer Days, and Staff randomly selected 120 individuals to participate this year.

The Sanctuary hosted the first full Volunteer Day since 2020 in late March, and Volunteer Days will continue through November. In addition, we were thrilled to welcome back student groups from Vanderbilt University (Nashville, Tennessee) and Appalachian State (Boone, North Carolina). These students graciously spent their weeklong spring break working and learning alongside Sanctuary Staff in



Hohenwald, doing laborious tasks such as painting the barns, raking leaves, or prepping enrichment for the elephants. They were also our first occupants of The Sanctuary's new bunkhouse. The recent repurposing and renovation of an older building on Sanctuary property provides much-needed housing for volunteer groups coming for longer stays. The bunkhouse can accommodate up to twelve volunteers and adds opportunity to host special projects or educational programming in conjunction with the Elephant Discovery Center.

### Remembering Solomon James, A Special Friend and Hero



In March, The Sanctuary was saddened to learn of the passing of Solomon James, Asian elephant Shirley's longtime caretaker during her time in Monroe, Louisiana. Solomon accompanied Shirley on her journey in 1999 to The Elephant Sanctuary in Tennessee, which was captured by Argo Films and became part of the much-loved documentary, *The Urban Elephant*. Solomon returned to The Sanctuary in 2018 to celebrate Shirley's 70th birthday. He will always be remembered as a special friend and hero.



# » Support An Elephant

#### **GIVE THE GIFT OF SANCTUARY**

Donations of any amount — investments in our mission from long-standing supporters and brand new Shirley fans, alike — help equip The Elephant Sanctuary with the necessary resources to provide gold-standard care to our resident elephants and those to come. When you make a one-time donation online or by mail, you give the gift of Sanctuary and contribute to the large, sometimes unexpected expenses that come with providing refuge to aging elephants. Every dollar counts in creating the best environment for elephants here in Tennessee and improving the lives of elephants worldwide through expanded education and awareness of their needs.

Become a Sustaining Donor for as little as \$10+ per month by setting up an automatic, recurring gift to The Sanctuary. Your dedication to the continued care of captive elephants and the future generations hoping to share a world with elephants makes you eligible to apply for a Volunteer Day. Sustaining Donors also receive a one-year subscription to our triannual newsletter, *Trunklines*.

If you wish to set up a bank draft instead of a monthly credit card payment, please contact Kathy at 931-796-6500 ext. 107.

#### **FUNDRAISE FOR ELEPHANTS**

Turn your next special occasion (birthday, marathon, wedding, graduation, anniversary, 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 to get started.

#### **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. Visit shop.elephants.com to learn more.

#### Other Ways To Give:

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

#### Wishlist:

The Sanctuary maintains an ever-changing wish list to meet the needs of the elephants in our care. Visit shop.elephants.com/products/wishlist to see an updated list of needs.

#### **BECOME A MEMBER**

The Elephant Sanctuary provides a sprawling refuge for elephants retired from performance and exhibition — a three-habitat property where they can express natural behaviors, enjoy the companionship of other elephants, and receive a lifetime of individualized care. Join our herd as a Member with a donation of \$50 or more and receive:

- A one-year subscription to our triannual newsletter, *Trunklines*
- A one-time 10% discount on Gift Shop apparel
- Monthly *EleNews* email updates
- Eligibility to apply for a Volunteer Day in Hohenwald

#### **ADOPT AN ELEPHANT**

By adopting one (or more) of The Sanctuary's elephants, you become a partner in our mission to provide the gift of herd, home, rest, refuge, and individualized care for life. Make a gift of \$50+ to Adopt An Elephant and receive:

- A Certificate of Adoption and information on your "adoptee"
- Monthly *EleNews* email updates
- Eligibility to apply for a Volunteer Day in Hohenwald
- The latest issue of our triannual newsletter, *Trunklines*

#### **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 ensure a nutritious and balanced diet for each of these elephants, our Veterinary Team and Caregivers portion out hay, browse, fresh produce, and supplements according to the individual needs and preferences of the aging elephants.

When you help us offset these ongoing costs and give \$50+ to Feed An Elephant, you receive:

- A photo card with information about elephants' diets plus access to "ele-inspired" plant-based recipes, updated seasonally
- Monthly *EleNews* email updates
- Eligibility to apply for a Volunteer Day in Hohenwald
- The latest issue of our triannual newsletter, *Trunklines*

GIVE NOW AT SHOP.ELEPHANTS.COM OR VIA THE ENCLOSED FORM AND ENVELOPE.

# The Elephant Sanctuary Merchandise



#### **Adult T-Shirts**

\$24.95

SM, MED, LG, XL, XXL, XXXL

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

Due to low inventory from suppliers, we may be out of stock of some sizes, and colors may vary. For current colors and availability, visit shop.elephants.com.
We apologize for the inconvenience!





**Debbie T-Shirt** 

Sissy T-Shirt

Minnie T-Shirt

Billie T-Shirt

#### **Elephants Shape Our World**

These items distinguish you as part of a global herd of elephant lovers!



#### Klean Kanteen \$36.95

A BPA-free, stainless steel 20 oz bottle with a wide Cafe Cap and a \*bonus\* Chug Cap! Co-branded with Klean Kanteen, this insulated bottle keeps contents hot or cold for hours and fits in most cup holders.



#### Youth T-Shirt \$18.95

XS, SM, MED, LG Color: Light Blue

Made by Gildan, this 100% cotton T-shirt is perfect for playtime.



# Onesie

SM (6/12), MED (12/18), LG (18/24) Color: White

Made in the USA from 100% organic cotton, this onesie includes 1/2" 3-snap closure and a satin label so as not to irritate.



#### Find Your Herd T-Shirt \$24.95

Color: Navy 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.



## The Elephant Sanctuary Cap

Color: Tan + Forest Green

This classic, unstructured cap with tri-glide buckle closure features The Elephant Sanctuary logo.



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This long-sleeve T-shirt distinguishes you as part of a global herd of elephant lovers. Made from a 90/10 cotton-poly blend, this shirt is 100% made in the USA



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