

# Kritter Talk

Kritter, Inc Wildlife Sanctuary

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*Wildlife inspires love all around us!*

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## Share The Love!

February is marked with red hearts, chocolates, and thoughts of how to treat your loved ones to something special. This year, why not give them the gift of an animal sponsorship – a gift that will keep on giving for years!

Sponsorships can be tailored into a one-time donation, monthly installments or an annual gift. They can also be given to a specific animal at the sanctuary or for a particular type of animal!

Check out our website for more info!

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## Kritter, Inc. Needs Your Help!

We are now entering Possum Season! Every year, we get so many of these cute little guys and we could really use your help to care for them! They are very easy to raise, stay pretty clean, and are very fun to cuddle!! Make an appointment for a crash course in possum care today!

Call (850) 819-3354 for more information!

Thanks!!

**Wildlife Hotline: (850) 819-3354**

*Please call with your wildlife questions, concerns or desire to volunteer or donate!*

*Injured wildlife can be dropped off at Breeze Animal Hospital on Back Beach Rd.*

*Monday-Saturday from 7am to 5pm or call (850) 233-7091*

## **Educational/Visitors' Center**

**A Goal Is Met  
&  
A New Project Is Started**

**Thanks to many generous supporters, a few awesome fundraisers, and a grant from The Home Depot Foundation, we raised enough money in 2010 to build a new Educational/Visitors' Welcome Center!!!**

**2011 is off to a great start and the Center is now under construction. We hope to have the building complete by April 1<sup>st</sup> just in time to greet the public! Come on out and volunteer to help get it finished so we meet our goals! There is a job for everyone!**



**We are now a member of the Panama City Beach Chamber of Commerce and will be networking with other local businesses to increase our presence, improve our facilities, and make room to rehabilitate more animals! Last year we rehabbed over 900 animals with a 72% success rate (these numbers do not include the number of birds rescued during the Gulf Oil Spill)! This year will be even bigger we are sure, so come out and volunteer with us!!!**



*Officially UNDER CONSTRUCTION!!*

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***Volunteers, Volunteers, Volunteers!***  
***This is the time of year when we have time to train new volunteers and host workshops!***  
***If you are interested in volunteering, please visit our website at [www.kritterinc.com](http://www.kritterinc.com) to learn more and complete an application!!***



### **Peregrine Falcon**

A rare encounter – this guy was rescued from Southport in January. He had been in a territorial fight, leaving talon gashes on the side of his mouth and just above his knee. He then lost his balance and fell to the ground, breaking his humerus bone (forearm) in two places! Lisa was contacted and the falcon was swiftly brought to the Breeze Animal Hospital for evaluation. Dr. Jessica Harrison performed the delicate procedure of implanting a pin through the bone to stabilize both fractures, while Lisa and Hilary assisted.

A few quick stitches to seal up the skin gashes, bandages and some antibiotics - a total of 3 hours had passed! We can't thank Breeze Animal Hospital and Dr. Harrison enough! The falcon is back at Kritter, Inc. now, resting and learning what it's like to be caged up, given antibiotics daily and monitored for infection or other stress related illnesses. This is one particular raptor who must re-condition his muscles before he can endure the long migration back north by early summer!

### 2011 Fundraiser 'CASH FOR CAGES'



**Our BIG fundraiser for 2011 is 'Cash For Cages' to help us build a 50' by 20' by 12' flight cage. We need to build a flight cage to properly rehabilitate migratory birds, raptors and shorebirds prior to release – once their injuries have healed, birds need to rebuild their muscle strength. This cage is strictly for flight training – every bird will enter the flight cage for at least one week prior to release. There they can hone their skills for short and long distance flight, swoops, dives, etc...**

**We are selling the wooden slats required to make up the walls of the cage. These are 1" x 4" x 8' pressure-treated wooden slats, which will be wood-burned with your name or message before being added to the cage. Each slat costs \$10.00 and allows for 5 words – you are welcome to purchase as many slats as you want. Buy some for your family, in memory of a loved one, as a gift for your significant other or children, or to spread some environmental words of advice! See our website for an order form or call the hotline to request a mailed form. And please, SPREAD THE WORD, we need to sell 600 slats to get this cage built!!**

*Kritter, Inc. would like to thank all the volunteers and donators who give their time and money to keep the sanctuary up and running! If you'd like to volunteer or donate, please visit our website at [www.kritterinc.com](http://www.kritterinc.com)*

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**Mission:** To rescue, raise, rehabilitate and release orphaned, injured, and displaced wildlife and provide a sanctuary for non-releasable animals, both native and non-native.



**History:** Kritter, Inc. was founded in January, 2008 in Bay County, FL by Lisa Mabry as a 501c (3) non-profit organization. We serve Panama City Beach, Panama City and all surrounding towns and counties, as well as the entire state of Florida.

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