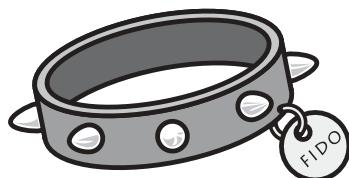


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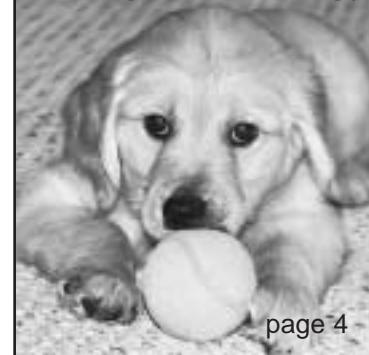
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Paintings Discovered In Northeastern Cave Prehistoric Images May Be 20,000 Years Old

**MAMMALIAN DAILY
CIVILIZATION REPORTER**

Four paintings that could be 20,000 years old have been discovered on the walls of the cave at the northeastern end of The Park, officials confirmed this month.

Archaeologists and zoologists at The Park's Institute for the Study of Mammalian Life (ISML) characterized the paintings as a major discovery.

"We believe this find could confirm the autochthonous nature of Animal life in The Park," said Catriona Cairn-Terrier, chief archaeologist at the Institute.

The four paintings, which depict a Goat, a Donkey, a Lioness, and a bucolic setting, are believed to predate The Park's oldest cave paintings — the 12,000 year-old paintings in the Grewsome-Grumsack Grotto at the southwestern corner of The Park.

Staff members at the Institute were unable to confirm the existence of a fifth painting, reported to be that of a Dog sprawled out on a rug or mat.

Park officials have sealed off the entrance to the cave for the

Winter season. In early Spring, members of the ISML team will conduct radiospotum dating tests, as well as other studies of the paintings.

The paintings were discovered in late Karpouzi by two Goat kids, Lila and Nardo, aged 7 months, who were playing in the area.

"I butted them out of the house and told them to go and play," said their mother, Nanette.

"After they came home, they kept bleating about these drawings they saw in the cave. I



The paintings were discovered by two Goat kids, Lila and Nardo.

authorities right away."

According to ISML staff, the newly-found paintings are of particular interest because they appear to depict an earlier period of life in The Park.

As for the question of who might be responsible for the artwork itself, the Institute says that it cannot offer any definitive answers until it has undertaken further study.

"Some of the strokes appear to be the work of an Elephant, but we really have no idea what Animal might be responsible for these paintings," said Cairn-Terrier.

Evidence presented at Mongoose trial sparks criticism of Park weather practices

**MAMMALIAN DAILY
LEGAL AFFAIRS REPORTER**

Mounting criticism of current Park weather practices is threatening to overshadow important legal issues in what some describe as the "trial of the decade."

Since the prosecution began presenting its evidence in the

Mongoose "weather trial," Park Archons report they have received an "overwhelming" number of complaints from citizens about the method by which The Park purchases its weather.

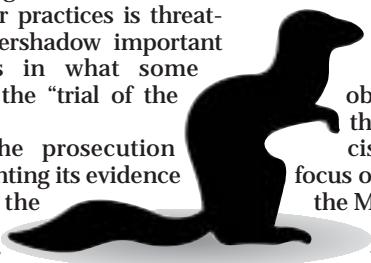
"[I would say] this will definitely put reform on the weather map," said a spokesanimal for The Park Weather Office.

been made in the same manner since zoocracy was instituted and the public outcry "has caught the Archons off-guard," he said.

Meanwhile, legal observers say they fear the groundswell of criticism could shift the focus of the trial and result in the Mongoose's acquittal.

"The issue at trial is whether or not the Mongoose acted in good faith with regard to the contract into which he entered," Harry D.W.R. Lemur, the prosecuting attorney, said in an interview.

"We are not here to debate the appropriateness of that contract." The Mongoose is charged with fraud, theft, misappropriation of funds, and intent to confound, in connection with weather purchases he made in 13 AZ. His trial continues.



POPS Candidates to Stage Debate on Eve of Historic Election

**MAMMALIAN DAILY
POLITICAL REPORTER**

The five Groundhogs vying for the coveted position of 25 AZ Park Official Prognosticator of Spring (POPS) have agreed to take part in a debate on the eve of the first POPS election.

A spokesanimal for The Park's Elections Office confirmed this week that Morgan R. Marmot, Winchell Woodchuck, Conchita Eliza Groundhog, Esperanza O. Woodchuck, and Ogilvie T. Groundhog will debate on 6 Alepou from 20:00 hrs until 22:00 hrs in front of the ancient Oak tree. The debate will be moderated by Quigley Norman Marmot.

Aides to the candidates say they hope the debate will reignite voters' interest in the election.

"Voter apathy has been one of the biggest problems these candidates have had to face," said Burton L. Weasel, who has worked with Winchell Woodchuck since he announced

his candidacy last Spring.

Peabody Q. Groundhog, 24 AZ POPS, and the last of the descendants of E. Bromley Groundhog to be chosen by Park Archons for the position, believes the voter turnout will be surprisingly high.

"I think it's a very important election, particularly this [coming] year when we will be celebrating 25 years of zoocracy," he told this newspaper last week. "I think Park Animals will embrace their first opportunity in history to choose the Groundhog they feel is best equipped to hold the position."

Peabody's hold on the job was challenged last year, when a group that called itself "Spring's Unsprung Heroes" argued against the age-old practice of awarding the position of POPS solely to the descendants of E. Bromley Groundhog (The Park's first prognosticator).

In his landmark decision, Mr.

Justice Augustus Dindon of The Park's Superior Court wrote that "The Park's practice of awarding the job on the basis of heritage is unacceptable in a modern Park."

While Peabody was allowed to retain his position, the court's decision paved the way for this first free and fair election.

Peabody, meanwhile, remains tight-lipped about his choice of prognosticator for 25 AZ.

"All the candidates are upstanding citizens, and have demonstrated a true belief in the political process," he said. "I would trust any of them to be POPS."

For more information on Groundhog history in The Park, please log onto our web site at www.mammaliandaily.com and click on "Groundhogs."



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Where We Belong

The media are full of it.

With the exception of this newspaper (which has devoted only its front page to the story), all manner of publications throughout The Park (and, dare we say, beyond) are falling all over themselves, declaring that, with the recent discovery of a set of paintings in our most northeasterly cave, we are in possession of proof positive that the place in which we find ourselves is, indeed, the place where we belong!

We have the proverbial Bird in the hand, they say, and the Tortoise has overtaken the Hare; the Cat is out of the bag and all's well that ends well, because, well, because...we're autochthonous!

In other words, this is our home because it always has been. Case closed. Or is it?

It is not the intent of this rumination to suggest that the discovery has no significance. It is our purpose, instead, to propose that we bring some perspective to bear on this meaningful occurrence. Or, as the Inspector says in the popular mystery, *The Way to Dr. Bourru*, "You need to be wearing your spectacles when you're looking to draw conclusions."

And, what conclusions might we draw?

To begin with, that those earnest and zealous folks at the Institute for the Study of Mammalian Life have been so blinded by the ancient trees that they have failed to see the new growth in the forest.

There are many among us who have never doubted the autochthonous nature of some form of Animal life in The Park. Yet, if researchers were to conclude otherwise, how now would that affect our right to call this place our home?

What is significant is not the tenous claim of any particular species to the land or its culture; it is our collective contribution to the future of The Park that is important.

Some of us came from far away and settled here after a long journey. Some of us moved from right next door. And, now, we may discover, some of us have been here all along. But, in essence, all of us have chosen to make The Park our home.

History bears witness to the effects of rivalry for food and territory among the species. If all goes well, history will bear witness, too, to the fact that on this tiny piece of land, a host of species who came from many different parts of the world tried their best to set aside their differences and work together to achieve the common goals of survival, peace and prosperity.

As that ubiquitous Human map declares, "You are here." And, you belong.

New Research Warns: Keep Your Collar On

PARK HEALTH REPORTER

New research suggests that for domestic Dogs (and, possibly, also for Cats), keeping your collar on may be the most effective way to ensure a long and healthy life.

A preliminary study conducted at the University of West Terrier indicates that Animals who keep their collars on are likely to live from two to four years longer than those who go without collars for at least three waking hours per day. Statistical rates are even higher for those Animals who spend at least two hours in the out-of-doors.

Although further study is required to explain the disparity in lifespan between the two groups, researchers believe the reasons are related to the Animals' general emotional temperament and to their degree of self-esteem.

"Statistically, most collars carry tags that include names and addresses, and this makes Animals feel more personally secure outdoors," explained Dr.

News Blackout Applied to Crab Murder Investigation

PARK WIRE SERVICE

The Mammalian Daily is just one of many publications banned from printing any information on the ongoing police investigation into last Summer's Tartan Crab murder.

At a special news conference held yesterday afternoon, Chief Inspector Martin of the Park Police, Murder Investigations Unit, admitted that the Police are still unable to piece together the evidence relating to the Crab's untimely demise.

In addition to thanking members of the media for their cooperation, the Inspector took the opportunity to issue a plea to witnesses to come forward in order to aid the investigation.

Hume N. Goat, a specialist in the psychology of domestic Animals and the study's chief investigator.

Dr. Goat believes that domestic Animals who feel more secure tend to have a higher degree of self-esteem and, as a result, are more likely to take care in crossing busily-trafficked streets and traversing areas that may house enemies.

Another researcher cautioned, however, that collars and tags can have just the opposite effect. Animals who feel that they are chattel rather than valuable beings in their own right may, in fact, be somewhat careless when they are outdoors.

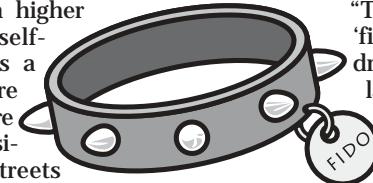
Researchers at UWT also suggest that the venting of emotions

(such as anger and fear) fuels the removal of collars and this may be a key factor in the longer life expectancy of those who keep their collars on.

"The well-known 'fight or flight' syndrome applies to collars as well," said Dr. Goat. "Those who keep their collars on are

Animals who are less likely to engage in an altercation and, thus, are less likely to let their emotions get the best of them. They are usually calmer, more easy-going types, and this is reflected in their lifespan."

While research continues into the effect of collars on life expectancy, those in the know say that, for now, the best advice they can give is: keep your collar on.



Guard Dogs to Return to Work Pending Ratification of Contract

MAMMALIAN DAILY LABOUR REPORTER

Hundreds of Guard Dogs will return to active, full-time duty early in the month of Alepou, a spokesanimal for The Park's Labour Council announced this week, after a settlement was reached in the ongoing dispute between the Federation of Canine Security Workers (FCSW) and Park administration.

The Dogs, who had been working without a contract for six months, began a Bark-to-Rule action at the end of Myrodia, when negotiations between the two parties broke down.

Water Investigation Data Leaked to Rival Lab

The Park's research community has responded with shock at the news of a data leak in a very important study.

Police confirmed yesterday that certain findings from Nestor P. Cat's investigation into the flow of water have been leaked to a

In a joint statement released this week, both parties involved assured citizens that at no time during the Union's action had Park security been compromised.

"We are confident that all problems were dealt with in a timely manner," the statement read, "and at no time were Park citizens vulnerable to any danger, either from without or from within The Park."

Despite these assurances, some Park citizens blame the Union's action for the recent upswing in the incidence of crime and, in particular, for the murder of the Tartan Crab.

rival laboratory in The Park.

These findings form part of a larger study that has been the focus of Nestor's attention for almost two years.

Despite this setback, he intends to pursue publication in the Spring.

Our Readers Respond ...

Re: Tartan Crab Found Ripped to Pieces (Summer 24 AZ)

As an active member of a similar organization, I applaud the ATT for its stand on the Tartan Crab murder.

What is it going to take for Dogs to understand that we are not just playthings -- and that we provide a great deal of comfort and solace to many Cats?

Periander Salamander
Federation of Paisley Pets

I commend your newspaper on its coverage of the Tartan Crab murder. By focusing not on the murderers, themselves, but on the wonderful qualities of the Crab and the heartfelt sorrow of most Park Animals, you denied these beasts what they crave the most: our attention.

Wilson the Irish Water Spaniel
The Park

Re: Advertisement in The Agora (Summer 24 AZ)

I am shocked that you allowed a questionable pharmaceutical supplier from outside The Park to advertise in your newspaper. You have a duty to let Animals know how dangerous it is to buy and take remedies that are not manufactured, approved, or sold in The Park.

James H. Ram
The Park

Re: Sleeping Dogs Most Likely to Lie (Summer 24 AZ)

I am somewhat dismayed by the kind of research that is being funded at the University of West Terrier's Medical College. If your goal is to discredit Dogs, you needn't stray so far as a laboratory: any Human should do.

Neil A. Beagle
The Park

Re: Humans Living Longer (Summer 24 AZ)

Your article was "right on," as they say, regarding the increase in longevity of the Human species.

An informal survey taken by one of my colleagues (name withheld) suggests that one in four Humans who strolls through our Park is in the 65-80 year range (Human years).

Consequently, we are in the process of assembling a task force to determine the effect this rising tide of aging Humans will have on the fragile ecosystem of The Park. Any Animal who wishes to participate, or to receive more information on this subject should contact our study office at the University of West Terrier.

Adelaide L. Tamarin, d.M., d.P., d.T.
Department of Natural Disasters
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Beasts Unburden Themselves in Sold-Out Summer Concert

MAMMALIAN DAILY
MUSIC CRITIC

On 29 Otium, under a nearly-full moon, the sensational six-Animal band, The Beasts of Burden, brayed to a packed house in the ancient, open-air theatre. The concert lasted nearly four hours and, had it not been for The Park's recently-enacted noise laws, it might have continued well into the morning.

The appreciative audience came from far and wide. At times, patches of the sky could not be seen for the Birds who wafted above, many of whom had bought last-minute, hovering-room-only tickets.

"This is a once-in-a-lifetime event for me," said Graham Albatross, who was visiting rela-

tives in The Park this Summer. "I have all their recordings but I've never been to one of their concerts. I stayed an extra day just to be here for this."

That loyal and enthusiastic sentiment was shared by many in the packed crowd. The Beasts of Burden have inspired great fidelity among Animals since they began their career in 17 AZ, and it is no wonder. The group made its name with songs such as "Donkey Hot," "Pack of Lies," and "The Day the Oxen Rose." That last tune aroused an ovation so loud and so long that there were fears the concert would not continue. Twenty



minutes later, however, the strains of the less strident, though not wholly apolitical, "Llama Man," could be heard above the screaming crowd.

The group's vocal qualities seemed to be at their peak. Both Donkeys' raspy, brassy voices played well against the Horses' whinny and the Mule's velvety tones, and contrary to recent rumours in gossip newspapers, lead singer, Alfredo Ox, was in top form, having recently recovered from back surgery.

It was a concert that Park Animals will talk about for some time to come, until The Beasts see fit to grace our fields again.

Squiggles and Scribbles

Principles of Anticipatory Zoocracy

Foreword by Jor

Birch Bark Books, 100 pages

An ancient political treatise by an unknown author, Principles of Anticipatory Zoocracy is the book to which we all owe our freedom and prosperity.

This new, soft-shell edition from Birch Bark Books includes a special foreword that was written by Jor just before his death in 17 AZ.

The most important political document in our possession, this treatise laid the foundation for what we now know as Animal self-government. It should be on everyone's reading list.

From Slavery to Freedom: A History of Pack Animals

Pieter N. Paard

Birch Bark Books, 450 pages

"L'histoire des animaux est l'histoire du subjogation," declared renowned historian, Angeliqye Blaireau, in La science de l'esclavage, her groundbreaking work on the history of Animal domestication. Now in its eighth printing, Blaireau's study of the "science of slavery" has inspired a new generation of Animals to examine its history and to challenge our assumptions about Animal life.

From Slavery to Freedom: A History of Pack Animals picks up where Blaireau left off: in the Peruvian highlands, where Llamas continue to "work" for Humans, as they have done for 5,000 years. From there, author Pieter N. Paard takes us on a whirlwind tour of the world - on the backs of our brethren - and prods us toward a redefinition of slavery and freedom.

Though its title implies otherwise, this book is not a "history," per se. Instead, Paard uses historical content as the foundation upon which to pose a number of philosophical, moral, and political questions.

Chief among these, of course, is the question of what constitutes

"true" freedom. Paard uses the example of the team of 20 Mules that hauled borax out of the mining areas in Death Valley. The fact of the Mules' post-retirement status as celebrities and their subsequent appearances at special events begs the question: is this freedom, or just another form of slavery imposed by those massive, two-footed beasts?

Although it offers no definitive answers to the questions it poses, From Slavery to Freedom serves as a springboard for further discussion of a topic that is very much on our minds as we prepare to celebrate a quarter-century of zoocracy in The Park.

CURRENCY WATCH

Listed below are major currency equivalents posted at the close of business

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Bear, Brown	3.6	Hyena	4.0
Bear, Polar	3.3	Kangaroo	5.8
Canary	4.2	Lion	4.3
Chicken	5.8	Mongoose	10.5
Cow	5.6	Ostrich	4.8
Dog	3.4	Pig	4.3
Donkey	5.2	Salamander	7.7
Giraffe	5.0	Wolf	3.9
Goat	4.6	Yak	5.0
Groundhog	2.0	Zebra	4.9

Hard currency only

If the Shoe Fits

In the distance
your fair voice calls me -
traversing walkways,
skirting cracks,
you steer me home.

Then I see it:

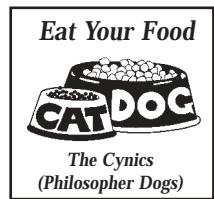
so large,
yet carefully crafted.
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Ask a Poodle

DEAR POODLE: I have a thick black coat that is very shiny and I would like to wear a collar that emphasizes it. I have tried many different colours of collars and they tend to get "lost" in my coat. What would you recommend?

— EBONY

DEAR EBONY: The choice of a collar is a very important one: it emphasizes not only your coat, but the contours of your face and the colour of your eyes. The wrong collar can actually accentuate the negative and even make you look as if your neck has disappeared!

In your case, the choice of colour is even more important. Since you have a monochromatic coat, you must take care to wear something that emphasizes it but that does not stand completely apart from it.

You haven't told me the colour of your eyes, but I am assuming that, like most Dogs with black coats, your eyes are brown. If they are blue, even more care will have to be taken in the selection of a colour for your collar.

My suggestion is to stay away from bright colours. Many Dogs believe that since bright colours provide a contrast to their coats, they are the most suitable. This is most emphatically wrong.

Some Dogs can get away with wearing a white collar (believe it or not) but, since we are heading toward the Winter season, this is not recommended. Try to avoid brown tones unless you find that they pick up on your eyes. Greens can be a mistake, as can blues. But you'd be surprised how well silver or a nice, soft black can emphasize your coat and outline your neck.

Ask a Poodle (askapoodle@mammaliandaily.com) appears in every second issue of The Mammalian Daily and alternates with Dear Noreen (noreen@mammaliandaily.com). Please e-mail your questions to them or post them to The Mammalian Daily and mark the envelope "Ask a Poodle" or "Dear Noreen." We regret that neither the Poodle nor Noreen can send responses directly to you.

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Monument to Jor Commissioned Unveiling to be Held in 25 AZ

PARK POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

Following an open vote one week ago, the Archons of the Park have commissioned a monument to honour George Livingstone Barnaby Cuthbert (Jor), The Park's first leader.

Volunteers who worked at the polling stations reported an "overwhelming" turnout last week.

"I've never seen so many people come out to vote on a non-political issue," said Priscilla Porcupine, head of the volunteer force that organized and monitored the vote.

"It's a measure of the great esteem in which Jor was held — and still is...and of the Animals' debt of gratitude to him," said Sierpinski Squirrel, whose accounting firm, A. Corn and

Partners, was chosen to perform the tally of votes.

The final figures were released yesterday at noon. To no one's surprise, the vote indicated that Park residents are unanimously in favour of permanently honouring the Animal who brought peace and prosperity to The Park.

In addition, observers said, the vote proved that Jor's popularity cut across all lines of species and sex.

"I would say that it proves beyond the shadow of a doubt," said Camilla Camel, "that Jor was a leader of all Animals and not just of a few Animals."

The statue, which sources say will be placed near the Water Clock in The Park, will be designed in the shape of a Cat seated atop a

throne. Critics of the design say that Jor would not have wanted to be remembered as "regal" but, rather, as more of a "common" leader.

"But there was nothing common about Jor," said one Archon, who described Jor as "a visionary leader," who saw the possibilities of zoocracy long before anyone else did.

Born of humble tabby stock outside The Park, Jor was the first to bring the principles of anticipatory zoocracy to The Park. In addition, he was responsible for the introduction of commerce here and, in 7 AZ, he instituted the first Park Commission on Interspecies Relations. Under his leadership, The Park flourished. He died of natural causes in 17 AZ.

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CAREERS/EMPLOYMENT

ACADEMIC

Assistant Professor of Political Philosophy. The University of West Terrier, Department of Political Philosophy, seeks a candidate to fill one position at the assistant professor level, beginning in the Winter of 25 AZ. Candidates should be well versed in theories of political representation, including democracy, ailurocracy, cynocracy, anticipatory zoocracy, and representative

anarchy. Previous teaching experience as asset, but not essential. Candidates should submit curriculum vitae transcripts and statement of research interests to: Professor Magnus P. Marmoset, Department of Political Philosophy, University of West Terrier.

RESEARCH

Terriers Wanted

The Institute for the Study of Mammalian Life, in collaboration with the University of West Terrier, requires two full-time Terriers to work on-site at the new archaeological excavation in the southern region of The Park. Employment to begin in late Spring, 25 AZ. All interested candidates should contact: Dr. Catriona Cairn-Terrier, Institute for the Study of Mammalian Life.

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Guck Prices to Rise

PARK WIRE SERVICE

After years of managing to hold prices down, Chuck the Guck Man has conceded to The Park's precarious economy and, on the first day of Proto 25 AZ, he will raise the price of guck 1 Ft (Ftoo) per

millilitre.

"This is not a happy day for me," The Park's most prominent Guck Man said.

"My father was a Guck Man and I know he would not be pleased.

Let's Talk Balls!

Today's ball is the **BASKETball.**

The basketball has a long history with Dogs.

Originally designed as an adjunct tool for gathering food, cynologists (those who study Dogs) believe that the basketball was first employed by the Cave Dog on his forays into the wilderness in search of sustenance.

Archaeological evidence suggests that the first basketballs were stones that were covered in a heavy fabric. This fabric, which was the colour of terracotta, was wrapped several times around the stone until the circumference of the "ball" measured at least ten times that of the original stone.

Scholars believe that the ball was placed in the centre of the basket that the Cave Dog wore around his neck on food-gathering trips. The basketball, which weighed at least 1 kilogram, prevented the basket from shaking to and fro as the Cave Dog foraged



with Bailey

about.

Many believe sporting history was made on the day that the woven reeds in the centre of the basket broke and the ball fell through the hole. The Cave Dog, who was amused by this occurrence, picked up the ball and dropped it, again, through the broken basket. He repeated this play with the ball, from ever increasing heights, until he settled on the idea of hanging the broken basket above the cave door.

Since that time, the broken basket and its companion ball have provided many hours of pleasure for Dogs everywhere.

Sources: *Survival and Sustenance in the Prehistoric World, Volume 4: Balls; The Fireside Book of Canine Prehistory; The Extraordinary Life of the Everyday Dog (2nd edition); The World of the Prehistoric Dog: Revelations and Balls; Various Articles and Reports.*

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Whelpings and Passings

Bands of gold!

Brinda and Rahul and are overjoyed to announce the birth of twin golden tabby Tiger cubs: Ananda and Pranab.



Goodbye, Bachelor Herd!

Yasmina and Zoltan Zebra are pleased to announce the birth of their first foal, Wihelmina, on 17 Karpouzi.

They're purrrrrfect!

Our newest arrivals are grey, white, black, and orange, and they're all purrrrrfect! Proud Mama, Zoë, and Papas, Sylvester, Bert, Leon, and Nathaniel welcome them to the world. Stop by next week for names, news, and updates.



Thelonious Skunk. In his den, after a long illness. Thelonious Skunk, third generation Park citizen, avid digger, population control advocate, impromptu scent artist, and rabid defender of the Great-Horned Owl. A dedicated opponent of the automobile, Thelonious was an active member of the Spotted Skunk Sedan Patrol, Skunks Against Gunk, and Skunks Über Vehicles (SUV). He is survived by his mate and sons.

Nicholas Sibelius Llewellyn Sloth (Nick). Suddenly and prematurely, as a result of the violent storm on 25 Karpouzi. Nicholas S.L. Sloth, loyal and loving friend, brother, mate, and father. A mentor to many in the arts community, Nick was best known for his autobiographical novel, "When the Two-Toed Sloth Met the Two-Toned Teutonic," a tribute to his great friend, the late Johann Horst Shepherd. A lover of peace and solitude, Nick will be buried, alone, beside his beloved tree. A memorial service is planned for late Autumn.

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