



FEBRUARY 2004 MEETING

- DATE:** Tuesday, February 17, 2004, 2004
- TOPIC:** The Cheetah Conservation Program in Namibia, Africa
- SPEAKER:** Cathryn Hilker, founder of the "Cat Ambassador Program" at the Zoo
- TIME:** 11:30AM
- LOCATION:** Unity Center of Cincinnati
1401 East McMillan
Cincinnati, Ohio
- MENU:** Lasagna with lots of Pepperoni and Cheese, Tossed Garden Salad with Assorted Dressings, Seasoned Garlic Bread & Cherry Pie
- COST:** \$12.00 per person
- RESERVATIONS:**
- Make check payable to "RESC"
Send six days in advance to:
Art T. Kupferle
2769 Blackberry Trail
Cincinnati, Ohio 45233-1721
Phone 513-922-0385

Please Use Reservation Form on Back Page.



FEBRUARY 2004 TOUR

- DATE:** Wednesday February 25, 2004
- TOPIC:** Saint Peter and the Vatican
Cincinnati Museum Center
- TIME:** 9:30AM
- LOCATION:** Cincinnati Museum Center
1301 Western Avenue
Cincinnati, Ohio 45203
- COST:** \$13.50

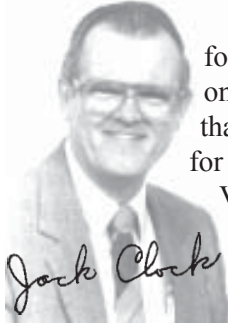
Melanie Buxton, Exhibits Department Manager at the Museum Center will explain the importance of this event, what was involved in setting it up and why we are so fortunate to be one of only four cities in the USA to host this exhibit.

NOTE: Please use reservation form inside and mail form with check to Timely Creations by February 20, 2004.

**There is no lunch function with this event.
Lunch is on your own.**

Where Are You?

Our attendance at the luncheons has dropped to about 70 people average at each meeting. A few years ago, we hardly had room to serve everyone who attended. We on the board are trying to serve you. Are we? If we are not doing what you expect, please let us know and we will try to comply. Send your response to George Gore at 148 Hidden Ridge Court, Cold Spring, KY 41076-8510. Feel free to remain anonymous if you wish. If you want to discuss your response, include your telephone number and reply with "Call Me." All responses will be brought before the board at the next board meeting held at the New Unity Church at 9:30 am. Please attend the board meeting if you wish. Learn what is required to keep our organization functional. George Gore, President



Jack Clock

Do something special for that very special someone on February 14. I know that many of you are looking for an excuse to do so and Valentine's Day presents just the right opportunity. Engineers week is coming up February 22nd through the 28th.

Give something back to your profession by volunteering to help an aspiring engineer. Attend the ESC Awards Banquet on February 26th and help recognize outstanding people in our profession.

Although attendance has been slipping somewhat at our monthly luncheons, our monthly tours have been going great guns. The Art Museum tour was over subscribed and we had to turn people away. The tour hosts were great, the lunch was great and everyone

received a hard cover book on the way out. What a bargain.

Plan to join us for the February tour. It should just as good.

Dr. Bereskin, our featured speaker for January, explains what prompted his trip to South America, just prior to giving the actual slide presentation.



George Gore and Walter Glas present a recognition certificate to Phil Spiess's widow while her friend looks on.

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Upcoming Events

- February 17, 2004**
Regular Luncheon Meeting
Education Center for the Cheetah Conservation Fund in Namibia, Africa.
- February 25, 2004**
Tour of Saint Peter and the Vatican
Cincinnati Museum Center at Union Terminal
- March 16, 2004**
Regular Luncheon Meeting
Bangkok & Beyond
Presented by Art & Ruth Kupferle
- March 23, 2004 (2:45 PM)**
Tour of U.S. Post Office at Dalton Street
See automatic machinery sorting your mail.

Meeting Highlights



We have a very special program that is a must see for our February meeting. We will be graced by the presence of the charming Cathryn Hilker also known as “The Cat Lady of the

Cincinnati Zoo.” Cathryn has worked at the zoo for the past 43 years in its Education Department. Her accumulated knowledge and experiences with exotic animals are extensive and unique, especially for cheetahs, her favorites.

Cathryn is the founder of the “Cat Ambassador Program” of the Cincinnati Zoo. This educational program involves her visiting schools to show the cats and give talks to young students. The purpose is to bring them awareness of the need for protection and conservation measures for all wildlife.

Cathryn and her husband Carl became involved with “The International Cheetah Foundation” when they bought a “little farm” of 18,000 acres in Namibia, Africa, 13 years ago. This gave a permanent home to the “Cheetah Conservation Fund” started and run by Dr. Laurie Marker of California who now lives at the “farm”. Dr. Marker and Cathryn Hilker joined forces in this project from their shared interest in cheetahs.

Cathryn’s first cat, the cheetah “Angel” was seen through the “Ambassador Program” by over 1 million people in the Cincinnati area. The program continues today, and you will meet the current cheetah ambassador “Sarah” accompanied by Sarah’s special friend “Lexie”. Who is “Lexie”? Be sure to come to the meeting and be surprised to find out “Who is Lexie”.

The Africa project now is supported not just by the Hilker’s but also by the Cincinnati Zoo. It is considered one of the finest field projects in Africa. Cathryn will tell us how this project came about and proceeded over 13 years. She will show slides of the Africa project and the Cincinnati connection.

Tour Highlights



Bust of Pope Alessandro VII

Experience the history and beauty of the Vatican through a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to view its extraordinary collections of art and historical objects, including many never before on view to the public. Works by Michelangelo, Bernini, Giotto, Canova and others, and objects dating back to the third century, provide a fascinating and unprecedented insight into the Vatican's history.

More than 350 objects-the largest Vatican collection never to tour North America-are presented in the context of dramatic and immersive environments, including representations of the Tomb of Saint Peter, The Sistine Chapel, the ancient and current Saint Peter's Basilicas, and other settings. From culture to history to art, explore how the institution has impacted-and been impacted by-the world throughout the centuries.



Ivory Crosier of Pope Pius IX

Objects include one of the most ancient representations of the face of Jesus Christ (a third century image on linen), drawings by Michelangelo, the famous pastoral staff of Pope John Paul II, the Papal Tiara of Pope Pius IX, the codex of Saint Peter's Square and Basilica, reliquaries, a 4th century sarcophagus, 5th century fresco of Saint Peter, a 799 A.D. mosaic of an apostle, and other works by many of the world's most acclaimed artists throughout the century. Liturgical objects, frescoes, jewelry, vestment, maps and historic documents, sculptures and paintings offer an amazing look into the Papacy and the Vatican.

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February 17, 2004 Luncheon Reservation / Dues Payment Form

For a reservation: Mail for receipt by February 12, 2004.

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Prospective Member _____ @ \$12.00 _____ *

**No charge when attending first meeting*

Guest Name _____ @ \$12.00 _____

Membership Annual Dues _____ @ \$12.00 _____

Total \$ _____

Member's EMAIL Address _____

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Melanie Buxton

Melanie Buxton has been working at Cincinnati Museum Center since 1988, beginning at the old Cincinnati Museum of Natural History on Gilbert Avenue. She started work in the Development Department and switched to the Exhibits Department in 1991 where she is now Department Manager. As department manager her work can change from day-to-day with painting exhibit scenery one day to working on a grant the next to creating a database for tracking information of visitors' responses to components within an exhibit.



Sarah Johnson, docent and Harry Geimeier, Security Manager show everyone what it takes to keep the Cincinnati Art Museum in tip top shape, during our tour on January 28



Attendees at the Cincinnati Art Museum enjoy lunch prior to the afternoon tours.

**Reservation Form for Saint Peter and the Vatican Exhibit
at the Cincinnati Museum Center February 25, 2004**

Name _____ @ \$13.50 _____

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Total _____

Address _____

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