2*016 AAZK Grants*

**Professional Development $2000.00**

1. Joanna Klass from Caldwell Zoo - $400 - Future of Waterfowl Conservation Workshop

2. Jeremy Fontaine from San Diego Global - $1000 - India: Species, Deities, and Communities

3. Lauren Augustine from National Zoo - $600 Crocodile Taxonomy Advisory Group Meeting.

**CPR ($1000)**

Lindsay Jack from National Aquarium - $1000 - Conservation of Migratory Bird thru light pollution education and window film for strikes.

**Research ($2000)**

Alex Zelazo-Kessler from Virginia Zoo - $1850 - Impact of visitor numbers on Bennett’s Wallaby housed in a walk thru exhibit.

**Bowling for Rhinos – Conservation Resources Grant - $11,379.34 (2% of BFR Funds Raised)**

The Peregrine Fund – Anne Knutson

This project will examine two important threats to critically endangered Gyps vultures in northern Kenya in order to identify areas where vultures are most at risk, as well as to document important breeding areas, so that long-term conservation measures can be implemented to protect these endangered birds. Our study has the following specific objectives:

1. To determine how vulture movement and foraging ecology differ:

 1) between vulture species, 2) between age groups (adults vs. immatures) and 3) across different land uses? And what are the implications of these in terms of the risk of poisoning to vultures.

2. As possible, to investigate and determine causes of mortality from tracked birds.

3. Map breeding cliffs of Rüppell’s Vultures and breeding locations of White-backed Vultures.

Monitor breeding locations of both species to assess numbers of breeding pairs, and if possible, breeding success.

4. To investigate whether proposed power lines in northern Kenya represent a significant

collision risk to vulture populations in the region (Kenyan Master’s Student).

**Trees for You and Me Reforestation Grant $14,337.92**

Lake Louisa State Park $12,668.96

Restoration of critical Sandhill Crane habitat with Lake Louisa State Park with the planting of Longleaf Oak, Turkey Oak and an experimental introduction of the federally listed Clasping Warea *(Warea amplexifolia)*.

Lauren Starkey, Akron Zoo

Cans for Corridors - $1668.96