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Dear Friends,

I want to extend my sincere appreciation those of you who have helped to make this the most successful year ever in the history of JGI Canada!

When we closed our most recent fiscal year on June 30, 2008, we had more than doubled our revenues from the previous fiscal year, leaving us just shy of \$1 million in funds raised.

This growth in our revenues translates directly into improved capacity to support the Jane Goodall Institute's critical conservation and education work, both in Africa and here in Canada. Over the past 12 months your support has allowed us to contribute more than \$300,000 to projects in Africa -- from providing small loans for villagers in the area of Gombe National Park in Tanzania to funding better facilities for the 140 chimpanzees at Tchimpounga Sanctuary in the Republic of Congo, and supporting environmental education in Uganda.

At the same time, we have seen huge growth in the Roots & Shoots program here in Canada. Since January 2008, participation in the program has increased from just 50 groups to more than 160, and we have some exciting plans for the year ahead that will make Roots & Shoots even more fun and relevant for young Canadians.

We are looking forward to a successful series of fall events with Dr. Goodall that you can read about below, and then to welcoming her again in the spring to Ottawa and Toronto. Visit our website often to get the latest details.

It's very rewarding to be part of an organization that gets the kind of results that JGI does. And it's even more rewarding when that work begins to attract serious support. So thanks to all of you for a great year -- we're looking forward to another one ahead.

Thank you for making it all possible.

Jane Lawton  
Executive Director



## Canadian News

### Don't Miss Dr. Goodall's Vancouver Lecture

Jane Goodall fans in Vancouver will have a chance to hear her speak on **Thursday, October 30, 2008** at 7:00 p.m. at The Centre in Vancouver for Performing Arts. In her *Reason for Hope* presentation, Dr. Goodall will talk about the research she started 48 years ago, about the critical need to protect Africa's Great Apes and other wildlife species, and about her reasons for hope for the future of the planet. Tickets range in price from \$42 to \$150. The \$150 tickets include a private reception with Dr. Goodall prior to the public lecture, and there are just a few tickets available. All proceeds from the evening will benefit the work of the Jane Goodall Institute of Canada. To order tickets, go to [www.ticketmaster.ca](http://www.ticketmaster.ca) or call 604-280-4444.

### Reason for Hope Tribute Dinner Honours Dr. Goodall

Dr. Goodall will be honoured at a special tribute dinner to be held in Toronto at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel on Sunday, November 16, 2008. The dinner is presented in partnership with Canadian Friends of Haifa University, and Dr. Goodall will receive the degree Doctor of Philosophy (Honoris Causa) from the University of Haifa. The evening is chaired by Michael Budman and Don Green, the founders and co-owners of Roots and their wives. Dr. David Suzuki is the Honorary Chair, and the host of CBC's The Hour, George Stroumbouloupoulos, will be the master of ceremonies. There will be special performances by surprise guests. It promises to be a fabulous evening with celebrities and well-known personalities coming together to honour Dr. Goodall.

Proceeds from the evening will support the expansion of the Jane Goodall Institute of Canada's Roots & Shoots program, the development of Roots & Shoots in Israel, and the establishment of Jane Goodall Scholarships in Environmental Studies at the University of Haifa.

Tickets are \$500 per person, with a special price for Roots & Shoots members. To reserve your tickets contact Jane Lawton, 416-978-3558, [j.lawton@janegoodall.ca](mailto:j.lawton@janegoodall.ca) or Hetty Shapiro, 416-972-9400, [hshapiro@haifa-univ.ca](mailto:hshapiro@haifa-univ.ca).

For more information, visit [www.janegoodall.ca/news-lectures.php](http://www.janegoodall.ca/news-lectures.php)

### Flying Doves for Peace Day

Following the lead of Dr. Jane Goodall, UN Messenger of Peace, Canada's Roots & Shoots program hosted an event on September 21st to celebrate the United Nations International Day of Peace.

Roots & Shoots members and friends came out and built giant peace doves, heard inspirational speeches, and marched to Queen's Park to the beat of African drumming,

"With the Peace Doves, we remind everyone of the truth they sometimes forget - that peace is possible. We celebrate all that is free and noble in the human spirit. And we celebrate all that so many people have done throughout the year - and will do next year - to create a better world," said Dr. Goodall.



Visit [www.janegoodall.ca/roots-shoots-in-action-campaigns.php](http://www.janegoodall.ca/roots-shoots-in-action-campaigns.php) for more information



## JGI Presents to International Conservation Caucus

In May 2008, JGI was invited to make a presentation to an All Party International Conservation Caucus chaired by MP Dr. Keith Martin. The subject of the presentation was the problem of deforestation in the Congo Basin in Africa and what conservation organizations like JGI are doing to find solutions.

"The African rainforests -- the lungs of our planet -- are being destroyed," said Dr. Keith Martin. Despite the fact that the rich Congo River Basin supports the livelihoods of more than 62 million people, its forests continue to be logged at unsustainable rates.

This was a prestigious opportunity to present and influence government thinking on how Canada should be dealing with conservation challenges in Africa. Former Prime Minister Paul Martin, who is also co-chairing the Congo Basin Conservation Fund was at the presentation, which was given by Barb Cartwright, Chair of JGI Canada's Board of Directors and John Wall, another member of the board.

Visit [www.janegoodall.ca/news-press-releases.php](http://www.janegoodall.ca/news-press-releases.php) for more information

## Latest Chimp Alerts!

Keep up-to-date on current issues affecting chimpanzees worldwide by visiting the CHIMPANZEE NEWS section at [www.janegoodall.ca/news-chimps.php](http://www.janegoodall.ca/news-chimps.php). In this section, you can read about the latest discoveries related to chimpanzees, and what is being done to help save our closest animal relatives.

## Roots & Shoots Membership Now Free!

In order to ensure that there are no barriers to participation in the Roots & Shoots program, we have recently removed all membership fees. You can sign up as an individual or a group and have full access to all the Roots & Shoots resources available as well as receive regular updates on what's going on. Check it out online at [www.janegoodall.ca/roots-shoots-join.php](http://www.janegoodall.ca/roots-shoots-join.php)

## News From The Field

### Trip of a Lifetime for Canadian Teachers in Uganda

Three Canadian teachers had the trip of a lifetime this past July when they travelled to Uganda to participate in environmental education workshops for Ugandan primary school teachers. The workshops are organized by JGI Uganda.

Alison Elliott from Trinity College School in Port Hope, Ontario; Emma Roche from Royal St. George's College, Toronto and Meg O'Mahony from University of Toronto Schools all agree that this "was an incredible experience."



The workshop was held in the Bushenyi district of western Uganda, an area that is home to wild populations of chimpanzees and other primates. Twenty-two grade 5, 6, and 7 Ugandan teachers attended the four day workshop. The Canadian teachers raised funds to cover both the cost of their own travel and the costs of the workshop for all the Ugandan teachers. It was a great success with both the Canadian and Ugandan teachers learning from each other. Read more about their adventures on their blog: [www.janegoodall.ca/news-institute.php](http://www.janegoodall.ca/news-institute.php)

Based on the success of this pilot project, JGI is offering two opportunities for Canadian teachers to participate in the 2009 environmental education training program in Uganda. To be part of the next workshop, see the application details at [www.janegoodall.ca/about-work-volunteering.php](http://www.janegoodall.ca/about-work-volunteering.php)



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### Chimpanzee Drama at Gombe

The daily drama at Gombe National Park in Tanzania, site of Jane Goodall's groundbreaking research, intensified this summer when chimpanzee Gaia gave birth... to twins!

The big questions were whether Gaia, who already had lost two infants, would succeed in rearing these newborns. It is a daunting task for any chimpanzee mother.

Events took a dramatic turn as Gaia lost care of her newborn twin boys to her mother, Gremlin. This was Gaia's third delivery and researchers were hopeful she would finally experience motherhood. In late July one of the twins died, and sadly, the other twin didn't survive.

This is such a sad series of events for those who care so much about Gombe and devastating for this chimpanzee population.



### JGI Donors Meet 'Mac' on Memorable Trip to Africa

As I stood in the enclosure dressed in baggy blue overalls with my pants tucked into my socks and my hair askew, I realized that this was the perfect moment. After one year of planning and the many vaccinations required to take part in a forest walk with the chimpanzees of Ngamba Island, I was holding Mac, an orphaned baby chimpanzee. Mac was the perfect ambassador, a kind and gentle chimpanzee with beautiful large brown eyes and a great sense of fun. My husband and I tickled him mercilessly, using a technique that we had learned during our 2-day stay on the island. As we listened to his breathy laughter, I couldn't help but feel overwhelmed at the privilege of our experience. It was the highlight of our visit to Uganda and the most extraordinary animal encounter we have ever had!

*Rubene Mahoney, Jane's Peak Society Member*



Rubene and Mark Mahoney visited Ngamba Island Sanctuary in Uganda this past summer, and also met with JGI staff on the ground. To find out how you can travel to Africa with JGI, visit [www.janegoodall.ca/documents/JPS2009TripBrochure.pdf](http://www.janegoodall.ca/documents/JPS2009TripBrochure.pdf)

### New Homes for Tchimpounga residents

When it was opened in 1992, the Tchimpounga sanctuary in the Republic of Congo was designed to house 35 orphaned chimpanzees -- victims of the illegal bushmeat trade. Today, the sanctuary is bursting at the seams, offering shelter to more than 135 chimps from infants to fully grown males and females.

The combination of a constant influx of new arrivals and the fact that many of the existing inhabitants are now larger and more aggressive, has stretched the sanctuary beyond its limits, despite recent investments in new buildings and enclosures.



The ideal solution may be on the horizon, however. JGI staff has been working with the Government of Congo to secure three islands on the Kouilou River which is adjacent to the Tchimpounga Natural Reserve. The plan is to establish additional sanctuary sites on the islands and to move approximately 70 chimpanzees to the new site in the first stage. In addition to taking the pressure off the current sanctuary site, the islands will also offer natural habitat which will enable the chimpanzees to learn how to forage for natural vegetation, build nests and develop the social bonds necessary for their survival in the wild -- a key step in their potential future reintroduction.



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## Get Involved

### Travel to Africa with Jane's Peak Society

Become a member of our leadership group, Jane's Peak Society (JPS), and you will have an opportunity to take part in the first Canadian JPS trip to Africa in March 2009.

The trip includes visits to JGI projects in Uganda, and a wildlife safari in Kenya. It will be an incredible chance to interact with chimpanzees up close in the Ngamba Island Sanctuary in Lake Victoria and track chimpanzees in the wild at the Budongo Forest Reserve, as well as learning about JGI's innovative community-centred conservation programs from our staff on the ground. Visit [www.janegoodall.ca/help-peak-society.php](http://www.janegoodall.ca/help-peak-society.php) for more information.



### Looking for a Unique Holiday Gift?

Help support the work of JGI Canada by purchasing a holiday gift from our online store. There's lots to choose from... a great selection of plush chimp toys, a fun, informative endangered species memory game for children and handmade jewelry from Uganda. And of course there are Dr. Jane's books and DVDs. Visit our store: [www.janegoodall.ca/store/](http://www.janegoodall.ca/store/)



### Monthly Giving Helps Even More!

If you are not already a monthly donor to JGI or a monthly Chimp Guardian, we'd like to ask you to consider making regular monthly donations. Monthly giving is a very convenient way to manage your donations, and it helps us even more by cutting down on our administrative costs. You can now sign up as a monthly donor online - just visit [www.janegoodall.ca/help-give-monthly.php](http://www.janegoodall.ca/help-give-monthly.php)!

### Not Yet A Supporter?

Growing numbers of Canadians are showing their concern for the future of the world's Great Apes, and for the future of the planet by making a financial contribution to the work of JGI Canada. If you are not yet a part of the JGI family, please consider making a gift to the Institute by visiting [www.janegoodall.ca/how-to-help.php](http://www.janegoodall.ca/how-to-help.php) or becoming a Chimp Guardian today by visiting [www.janegoodall.ca/help-chimp-guardian-chimps.php](http://www.janegoodall.ca/help-chimp-guardian-chimps.php)

