

DINNER *with* WOLVES

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Sunday, April 19, 2015

Evening Benefits Defenders of Wildlife and Southwest Wildlife Conservation Center

(SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ.) – Experience the mystique of the Mexican gray wolf, one of the planet's most endangered mammals, at a one-of-a-kind [*Dinner with Wolves*](#) at the Southwest Wildlife Conservation Center on **April 19, 2015 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

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Experience the mystique of the Mexican Wolf, one of the planet's most endangered mammals, while dining to benefit the Southwest Wildlife Conservation Center and Defenders of Wildlife.



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Visit dinnerwithwolves.com for more information
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The evening will benefit Defenders of Wildlife and Arizona's Southwest Wildlife Conservation Center. Guests can drive themselves or ride on the private bus, included in the ticket price, with pick up and drop off at the Omni Scottsdale Resort and Spa at Montelucia located at **4949 East Lincoln Drive in**

Paradise Valley, Arizona.

The intimate evening will begin with a **4:00 p.m.** departure from the Omni. Upon arrival and during the cocktail hour, guests will have the opportunity to take guided tours of Southwest Wildlife Conservation Center and see the resident Mexican gray wolves.

Cocktail hour and tours will be followed by a silent auction, sit-down dinner and presentation by Don Barry, senior vice president of conservation programs for Defenders of Wildlife. The evening will conclude at approximately **6:30 p.m.** when guests may board the private bus back to the Omni.

Mingling mere feet from the wolves' enclosures, guests attending *Dinner with Wolves* will be up close and personal with several Mexican gray wolves now living at the Southwest Wildlife Conservation Center, along with other animals including bears, mountain lions and leopards.

Dinner with Wolves will introduce guests to the plight and beauty of the Mexican gray wolf, the most endangered wolf in the world. At last count, there were fewer than 90 wild Mexican gray wolves in the entire world and about half of them live in Arizona. Guests will learn how their support can save this special animal within our own state boundaries.

“Last year we raised more than \$22,000 to help raise awareness about the Mexican gray wolf and this year, we hope to double that and continue raising awareness so people understand how terribly close this animal is to extinction,” said Title Sponsor, Ann Siner, founder and CEO of My Sister’s Closet. “We have a chance to save this wolf right here in Arizona, but it’s going to take education and everyone pitching in to save these endangered wolves.”



Don Barry oversees all of the conservation activities and programs at Defenders, ranging from field conservation and public policy advocacy to conservation law. With more than 39 years of experience working on wildlife and public land management conservation issues, Barry says Arizona has an opportunity to make a difference.

“Defenders of Wildlife is thrilled to be working with Southwest Wildlife Conservation Center and dedicated conservationist Ann Siner to raise awareness and support for

the plight of Mexican gray wolves,” said Barry. “It’s people like Ann who make a real difference in the recovery of our nation’s imperiled wildlife.”

Only 100 seats are available for this intimate and rare *Dinner with Wolves* event so reserve your space now. Individual tickets are \$250.00 and can be purchased online at www.dinnerwithwolves.com. Corporate sponsorship opportunities are also available. 100% of the proceeds will benefit Defenders of Wildlife and Arizona’s Southwest Wildlife Conservation Center.

To set up an interview with Don Barry or Ann Siner please contact Jennifer Parks at **480.495.3806** or by email at jparks@RoseMoserAllynPR.com.



About the Mexican gray wolf

By the late 1970s, the Mexican gray wolf was nearly eradicated from the United States. They, like their gray wolf relatives in the Northern Rockies, were hunted, trapped and slaughtered – until only a handful remained. Mexican gray wolves were listed as endangered under the Endangered Species Act, and captive breeding programs began to jumpstart recovery efforts. In 1998, the first eleven Mexican gray wolves were released back into the wild in Arizona. At last count, there were fewer than 90 wild Mexican gray wolves in the wild, and this wolf’s survival is still threatened by bureaucratic inertia and ill-founded hatred. Defenders of Wildlife says these wolves need three things: a science-based recovery plan, more breeding pairs released into the wild, and at least two additional core populations if they are to survive.

About Defenders of Wildlife

Defenders of Wildlife is dedicated to the protection of all native animals and plants in their natural communities. With more than 1 million members and activists, Defenders of Wildlife is a leading advocate for innovative solutions to safeguard our wildlife heritage for generations to come. For more information visit www.defenders.org and follow us on Twitter @Defenders.



About Southwest Wildlife Conservation Center

Southwest Wildlife rescues and rehabilitates wildlife that has been injured, displaced, and orphaned. Once rehabilitated, they are returned to the wild. Wildlife education includes advice on living with wildlife and the importance of native wildlife to healthy ecosystems. Educational and humane scientific research opportunities are offered in the field of conservation medicine. Sanctuary is provided to animals that cannot be released back to the wild.

About Eco-Chic Consignment:

Eco-Chic Consignments, Inc. is a family of three high-end designer consignment concepts—My Sister’s Closet (women), My Sister’s Attic (home furnishings) and Well Suited (men). Each store sells consigned items at 60 – 90% below retail value. Founded more than 20 years ago, Eco-Chic Consignments, Inc. has since grown into a \$25+ million business with 15 locations in some of the nicest neighborhoods of Arizona and California. The company ranked no. 2,896 on the Inc. 5000 list. To learn more about Eco-Chic Consignments, Inc. and its resale brands visit mysisterscloset.com.



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