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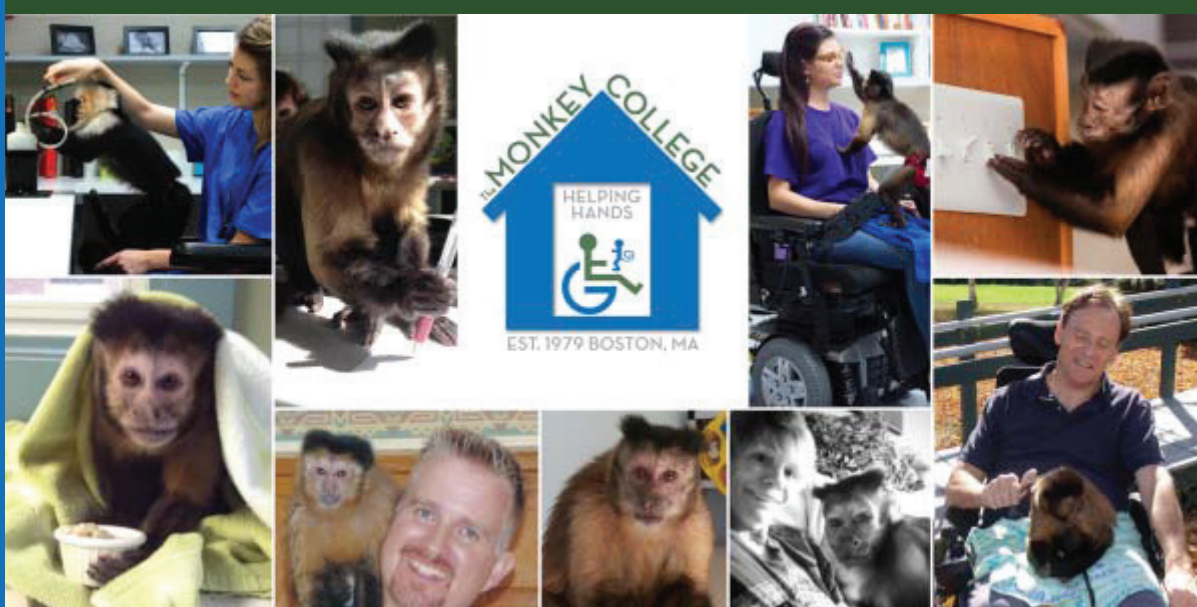


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Monkey Business

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Spring Fever!

After a long winter, the staff and monkeys at The Monkey College are looking forward to the trees blossoming, the flowers blooming, and all the activity that comes with Spring! We are all excited to cheer on the amazing participants of the Boston Marathon in just a few short weeks, and we are preparing to watch some of our valued volunteers graduate from their respective colleges in May.

It is a time of renewal and hope; as we celebrate the past and look to the future. The Spring Newsletter is on the way to your mailbox—be on the lookout! The newsletter features Ned and Kasey, who have been partners for 10 years now. (You may be familiar with the book "Kasey to the Rescue," written by Ned's mother, Ellen Rogers, documenting his journey.) Not on the list for our printed materials? [Email us your information](#) so you can get all the news from The Monkey College.

The trainers continue to teach tasks to monkeys just like Kasey, so they can change someone else's life, too. Thank you for supporting their journey through training. We hope that you enjoy getting to know some of our monkeys below!

Do you know someone who might benefit from having a service monkey? [Connect us!](#)

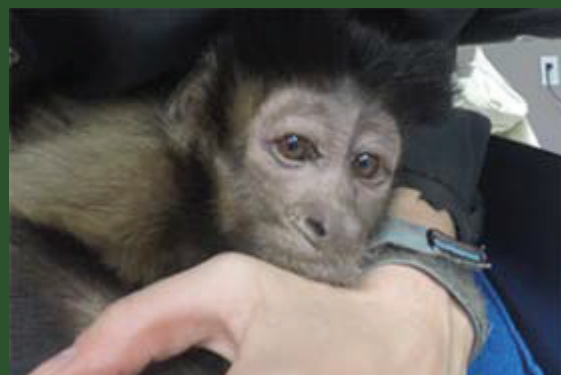


Classroom Update: Goldie

Goldie is a very smart, slightly shy monkey who is currently in the first stage of training, the Cubicle, at The Monkey College.

Her trainer says that Goldie is extremely motivated (she will do anything for a treat), but sometimes, she overthinks what she is supposed to be doing!

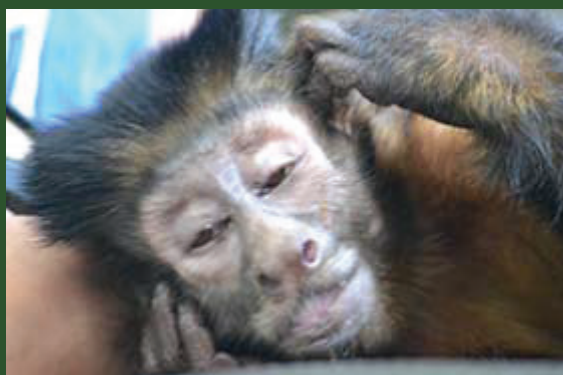
[Learn more about Goldie](#)



Meet the Monkeys!

Like humans, our service monkeys each have very distinct personalities. Over the course of their training, we get to know each monkey really well so that we can find the right personality match when choosing a recipient. Some monkeys are outgoing and playful, while others are more reserved and shy. Meet one of our more reserved monkeys in [Being Shy](#).

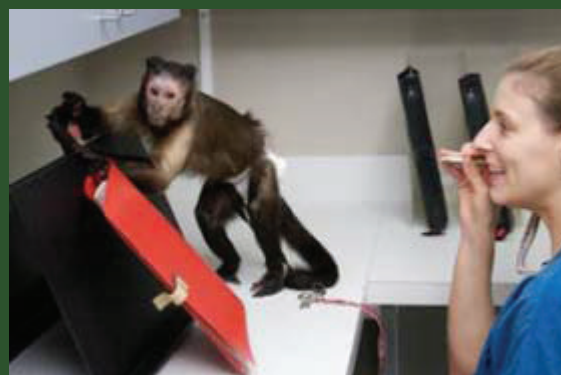
[Watch all the episodes of Meet the Monkeys](#)



Blooper of the Month

Helping Hands monkeys are great at learning and performing tasks, but not always great at posing for pictures!

Be sure to follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) to be a part of the fun and make your voice heard: vote for the image that will be featured in next month's blooper section!



Task Training: Flip

Flip is one of the more advanced tasks taught here at The Monkey College. It is primarily practiced in the Apartment, the final stage of training.

Most monkeys enjoy turning pages, so the challenge is to teach them to only flip one page at a time.

[Learn more about the task Flip](#)

Grants Spotlight

The Rands Foundation awarded Helping Hands: Monkey Helpers a \$10,000 grant to help fund our Training and Placement Programs. We are grateful for the continued partnership with The Rands Foundation as they support our work to provide independence and companionship to people living with mobility impairments.

Helping Hands: Monkey Helpers is thankful to **DePuy Synthes Spine** for their ongoing support of our work. Their grant of \$3,300 continues a strong partnership that now spans ten years. We are honored by their commitment to our recipients and monkey helpers.



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