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A celebration for the International Manatee Day was carried out by Dolphin Discovery Group last September 7th. The celebration involved several activities in and outside its many Parks and Habitats aimed at raising awareness towards these Marine Mammals and their environment.

This major event was held at Playa del Carmen's SAYAB Planetarium, where a number of free-of-charge conferences were offered to the public by Manatee experts. In addition to the talks, dynamic activities were implemented, which allowed visitors of all ages to get involved and participate in this celebration.

A total of 6 experts offered presentations for an audience of more than 200 people at the Planetarium. Over 150 children were able to attend Dolphin Discovery Habitats to have an educational tour for free.



## AGREEMENT BETWEEN ANAHUAC UNIVERSITY AND DOLPHIN DISCOVERY SIGNED



Jesus Quirce Andres, professor of the Anahuac University Cancun and Mr. Eduardo Albor Villanueva, CEO of Dolphin Discovery Group met recently at the University's facilities aiming at forming a collaborative academic alliance.



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The agreement was signed under the name of "Corporate Chair Dolphin Discovery and Anahuac University" and includes the following topics:

- 1. Academic projects
- 2. Diffusion and extension
- 3. Professional practice and/or talent development program
- 4. Social service program
- 5. Professional development
- 6. Executive training and graduate studies
- 7. Infrastructure
- 8. Social responsibility

It is expected that more than half of the student community be benefited by the endorsing of this agreement. Additionally, both institutions are working together to create a Marine Mammals Care Diploma Course, meant to generate awareness regarding the preservation and wellbeing of Marine Mammals. It implies an internship to be carried out at Dolphin Discovery facilities and is planned to start by January 2019.



#### DOLPHIN CONNECTION JOINS THE DOLPHIN DISCOVERY FAMILY

This last September 5th, Dolphin Discovery acquired Dolphin Connection, located in the Hawks Cay Resort, in Florida Keys.

Dolphin Connection was established in 1990 by Doug and Cheryl Messinger, who was the first female president of the International Marine Animal Trainer's Association (IMATA) in 1995.

This Habitat is a member of several international institutions involved in the Marine Mammal care, such as the IMATA and the AMMPA –Alliance of Marine Mammal Parks and Aquariums.

Dolphin Connection is the second Dolphin Discovery Group Habitat in the United States. In 2015, Gulf World was acquired in Panama City Beach Florida.



### DOLPHIN DISCOVERY AWARDED AS SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY SPONSOR



Dolphin Discovery was awarded by the Mexican Center for Philanthropy (Cemefi, from its Spanish initials) as a Social Responsibility Sponsor Company due to the promotion of its public commitment to favor the environment and groups of interest: employees, external community and authorities.

On this occasion, support was given to Anahuac University and Opticas Espadas so that they were able to obtain their first recognition as Socially Responsible Companies.

Cemefi also gave an honorable mention to Dolphin Discovery in the category of Linkage to the Community for its environmental education program "Loving is Educating", which fosters a caring behavior in society in order to contribute both collectively and individually to the environmental care.

# DOLPHIN DISCOVERY'S "LOVING IS EDUCATING" PARTICIPATES TOGETHER WITH THE UN IN WORLD ANIMAL DAY CELEBRATION



As a part of the environmental education program "Loving is Educating", Dolphin Discovery was invited to participate in the UN's celebration for the World Animal Day.

A series of awareness talks were carried out throughout the last Saturday October 6th, at the facilities of the Teleton Center of Rehabilitation and Inclusion (CRIT from its Spanish initials).

On Sunday October 7th, Dolphin Discovery received 50 Scout members from the Mexican Caribbean in its Habitat at Puerto Aventuras, where Scout boys, girls, teenagers and leaders from all over the country were aware of the special cares that marine species such as Dolphins, Manatees and Sea Lions require for their wellbeing.



In addition, visitors were able to have an educational tour around the facilities which allowed them to meet all three species, thus reinforcing what they'd learnt from the conferences about the importance of the Management Units for the Conservation of Marine Wildlife (UMAs from its Spanish initials).

# "LOVING IS CARING" DELIVERED OVER EIGHT THOUSAND TAGS



Thanks to the kind support of our sponsors, commercial allies and public in general, the campaign in pro of responsible pet ownership "Loving is Caring" has delivered more than 8 thousand pet name tags. This program has been in operation for more than a year and it has managed to nametag thousands of pets as well as to sterilize dozens of dogs and cats both domestic and stray.

Animal care is a priority for Dolphin Discovery and to raise awareness about it amongst people has been a tireless task carried out from different fronts and through diverse campaigns of environmental care.

If you wish to know more, please visit www.amarescuidar.org and www.dolphindiscovery.org

#### RUN FOR A CAUSE NEXT JANUARY 20TH



Organized by Dolphin Discovery and the Puerto Aventuras Colonos Association, the 11th Puerto Aventuras Race will take place next January 20th, 2019. There will be different categories to compete: kids will be able to run 400m or 1 km, whereas teens and adults may run either 5 or 10 km.

All the raised funds will be donated to the next stage of construction of a perimeter fence for Transformar Educando association committed to provide certified education and labor training to children, teenagers and adults in rural areas of the Mayan Riviera.

Runners are welcome to contribute donating packs of grains which will be donated to Caritas Foundation in Quintana Roo.

Register and join us to run for a cause!

