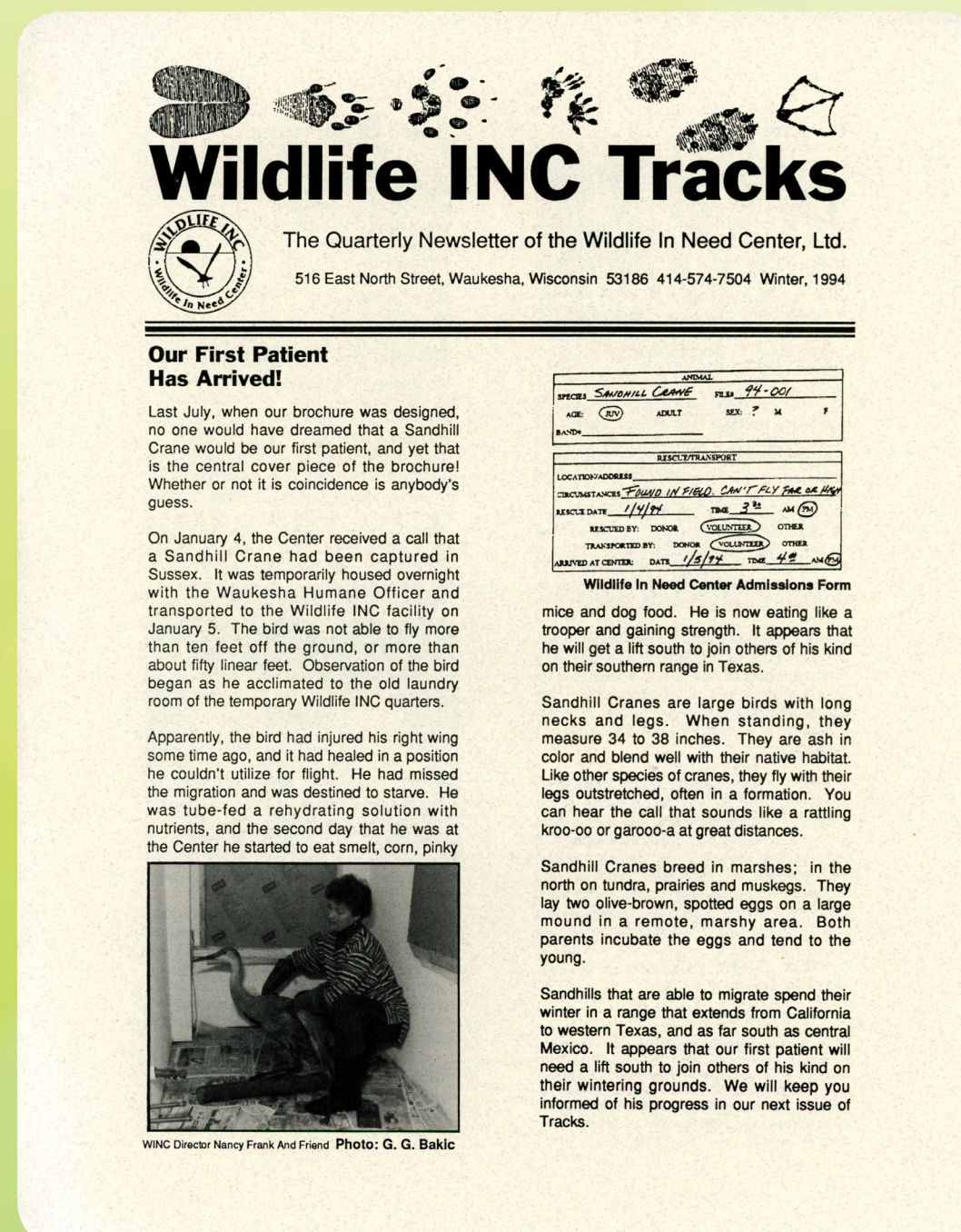




# The Sandhill Crane and Wildlife In Need Center's Connection



Top left: WINC's first patient, a Sandhill Crane and founder/executive director Nancy Frank

Bottom left: In 2018 staff helped a Sandhill Crane! The staff caught the Sandhill Crane and were able to safely remove the rubber ear bud piece that was stuck on her beak, and then successfully released it

Middle and right: The Wildlife In Need Center's very first "Tracks Newsletter" and the most recent "Tracks Newsletter"

1993 - Wildlife INC (In Need Center) logo was designed with an image of a Sandhill Crane flying away into the sunset.

January 5th, 1994 Our first patient was a Sandhill Crane. It had an injured wing and was unable to be released, but it was placed as an educational animal at a zoo in Wisconsin.

January 1, 2019 our first patient was a Sandhill Crane. For a couple months our staff, along with some community members have been trying to catch a crane with an injured wing (not an easy task when they still can run and have decent food supply with this milder weather). Unfortunately, this year's first patient's injury was much worse than the original crane. Our recent Sandhill Crane had suffered a compound (open) fracture of it's right humerus (wing). The fracture was old and infected, sadly not a good injury for placement so we did have to humanely euthanize. Although it is not the ending we wish for with our patients, it is an ending we can provide to help an animal that is suffering.

Could this be a coincidence?

In 1994 WINC featured the first patient, a Sandhill Crane in its first newsletter Wildlife Tracks. WINC continues to publish currently twice a year, featuring education stories and animal highlights as well as WINC news and events.

**IT'S NO COINCIDENCE THAT YOU HAVE BEEN THERE IN THE PAST. THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFUL SUPPORT NOW AND OVER THE NEXT 25 YEARS.**