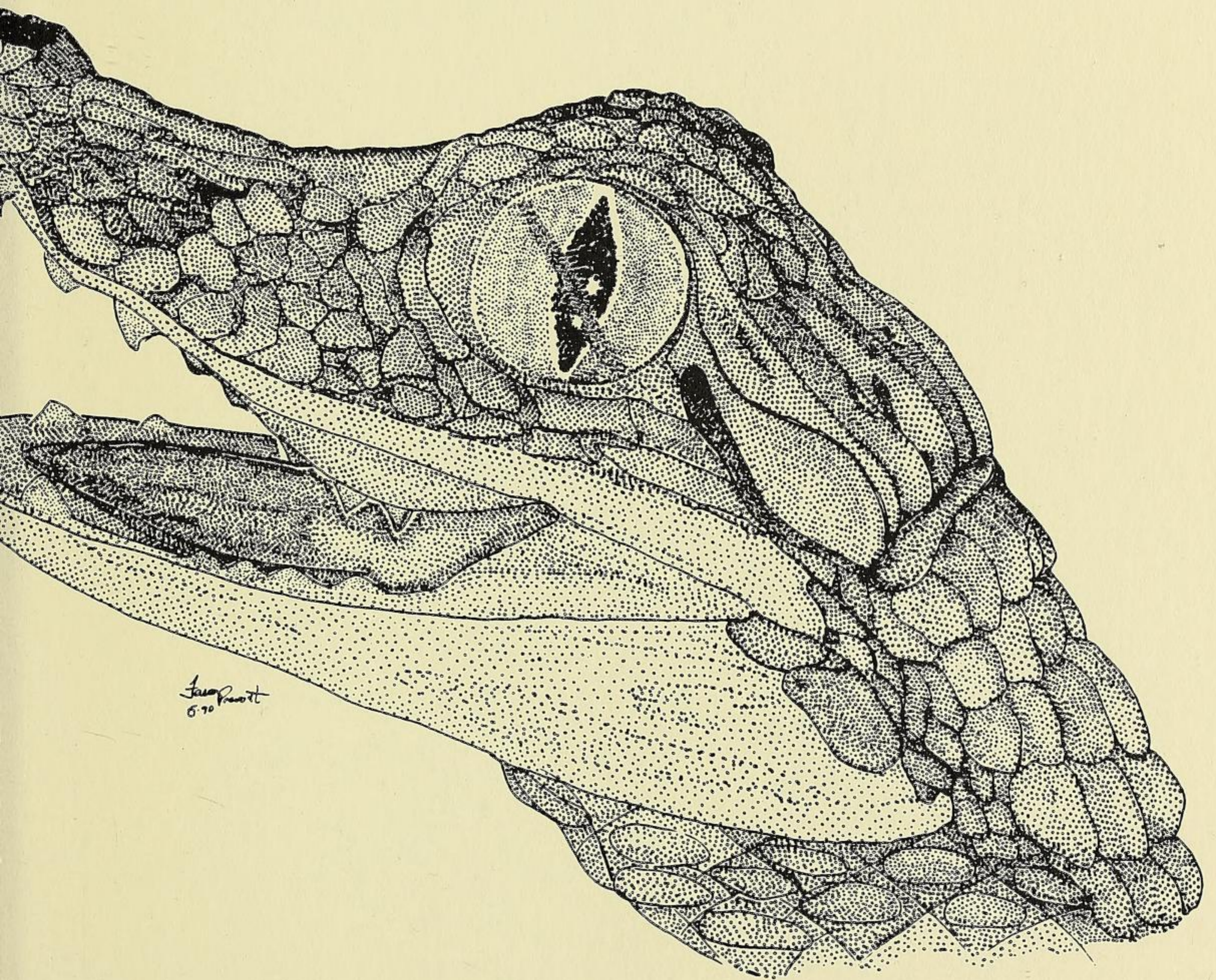


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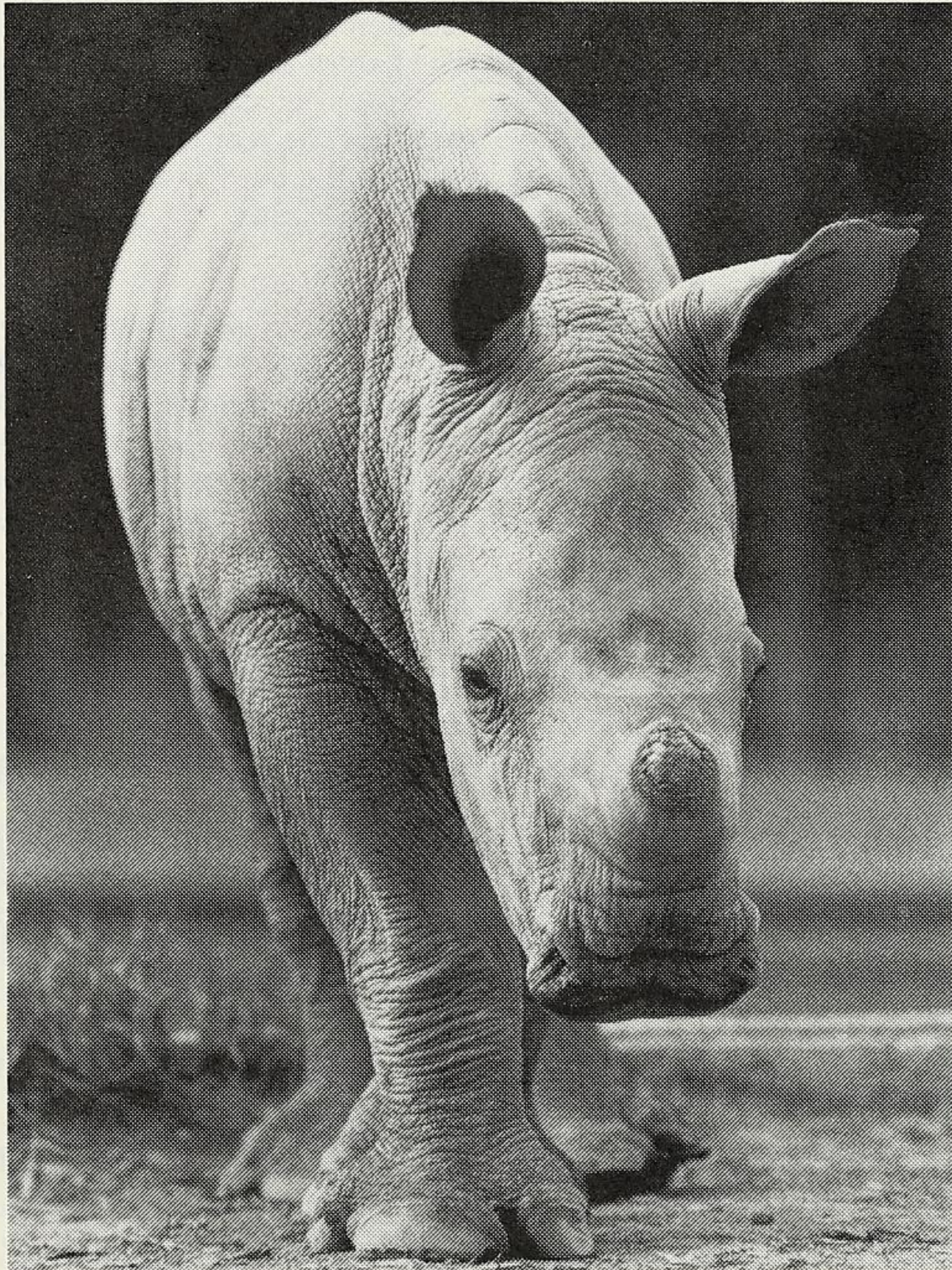
Births & Hatchings, Continued

oryx; twin Persian gazelles; our first successfully fledged Nicobar pigeon, 5 Crestless razorbill curassow, 7 Greater curassow, and 3 Stanley cranes.

Phoenix Zoo-on 12 July 1990 our two and one half year-old female Sumatran tiger (*Panthera t. sumatrae*) Sekayu gave birth to 1.1 healthy cubs. The cubs weighed 4 lbs. 8 ozs. and 4 lbs. 4 ozs. at six days of age. Five Sumatran tiger cubs have been born at the Phoenix Zoo since late March 1990. All of the cubs are doing well and are being raised by their mothers.

On 28 August 1990, our 22-year-old female White rhinoceros (*Ceratotherium simum*) Tambile gave birth to her eighth offspring, a 100-pound male. The birth occurred on exhibit and was witnessed by zoo officials and visitors. The calf was on his feet within half an hour of birth and began nursing 16 minutes after standing. The Phoenix Zoo's single pair of White rhinoceros, Tambile and Kehtla, have produced six offspring since 1975. Tambile was born in South Africa and was donated to the Phoenix Zoo in 1975 by the San Diego Wild Animal Park. Kehtla came to the Phoenix Zoo in 1963 from the Umfolozi Game Reserve in Africa.

Tambile and Kehtla's most recent offspring was named "Howell B." in memory of Dr. Howell B. Hood, the Phoenix Zoo veterinarian from 1965 to 1989. Dr. Hood passed away one week prior to the birth of the rhino and the calf was named in his honor. *submitted by Anita Schanberger, Chapter Liaison, Central Arizona Chapter of AAZK.*



This 1.0 White rhinoceros (*Crax globulosa*) was born 28 August 1990 at the Phoenix Zoo. He weighed 100 lbs. and was the eighth offspring for his mother, Tambile. He was named "Howell B." in memory of the zoo's long-time veterinarian. (Photo by Dick George)