

Mrs Alma de Bretteville Spreckels,

I am writing to you with a request that I ask you keep discreet.

As a leading biologist in my field I have recently come to see how unappreciated Butterball the manatee is as both an exhibit animal and scientific research resource.

It has become apparent to me that Earl Herald is far more concerned with his precious Lungfish exhibit and acquiring further funding for it than even speaking about Butterball at fundraisers.

With separate oversight and suitable funding I believe Butterball would make popular exhibit animal for a new and upcoming aquarium.

I believe there is an opportunity at your fingertips and that with a sufficiently exorbitant offer, Earl Herald will fold and your new aquarium could obtain him and open to great renown with such an exquisite specimen as Butterball.

As I said please keep this communication between the two of us, however if you are interested I am available to discuss any details in regards to manatee care.

Alice Westwood