

AUGUST 2019 A MONTHLY BULLETIN OF ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS



LEARN ABOUT THE WORLD'S MAGICAL CREATURES

Kids will love to meet some of the magical animals that are featured in the movies like Harry Potter and The Hobbit. You will get a chance to meet animals up close, learn about them in their habitats, and take home some special prizes for yourself.

ADVANCE REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Child (participant) fee: \$27 per child (ages 5-12 years old), \$20 for Montgomery Zoo members. Accompanying adults fee (13 years old and older): \$17, Montgomery Zoo members: FREE



ZOOBILATION Tickets on Sale NOW

Book those babysitters now for September 12 so you don't miss the wildest party of the year. Dance to the groove, delight in drinks and food samplings from the finest eateries in the River Region, try your luck at the vast collection of auction items and rub elbows with the area's finest animal lovers.

Zoobilation is a fund raiser geared for adults only. All guests must be 21 years old or older to attend. Tickets are \$50 per person (all guests must be at least 21 years old to attend).

What about purchasing a group of tickets at a huge discount? Purchasing multiple Zoobilation tickets is a great idea for a fun corporate gathering, a group of friends enjoying a night at the Zoo, or to give as presents and thank yous to co-workers, friends, and family members. Enjoy an awesome night mingling with friends and community leaders while helping a very worth while cause, the construction of a new Reptile Facility at the Montgomery Zoo.

Sponsorship and Food Vendor Opportunities Available - Contact zooinfo@montgomeryal.gov for more information.



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The Zoo and Museum will be open regular hours on Monday, September 2, 2019. Gates open at 9:00 am. Last admission is at 4:00 pm and everyone must exit the Zoo by 5:00 pm. Major animal exhibits and attractions close at 4:30 pm.



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Photo Credit: Andi Frame, Zoo Keeper

Andean Condors Move to New Habitat at the Montgomery Zoo

The Montgomery Zoo and Mann Wildlife Learning Museum is excited to announce that the Andean Condors have moved to a new exhibit in the South American realm. Their new home will be located near the front entrance and Monkey Island.

Calling the Montgomery Zoo home since 1987, the two Andean Condors are growing more and more comfortable to the new, much larger, exhibit that contains features from their native habitat such as a water fall, trees, rocks, as well as, two nesting boxes.

The public and media are invited to visit the new exhibit on Tuesday, July 30 at 10:00 am for the official debut.



Photo Credit: Collin Poage, Zoo Keeper

Montgomery Zoo Introduces Three New Bongo to its African Hoof Stock Exhibit

The Montgomery Zoo and Mann Wildlife Learning Museum is excited to announce the addition of three Bongos to the African hoof stock herd, bringing our total number to five. The three additions are a female calf, Juni, born May 16, 2019 to Gertty, another adult female, Heidi, and a juvenile male, Naveen. Heidi and Naveen came to us from the Greater Richamond Zoo in Virginia. Juni is Gertty's second calf and the second born at the Montgomery Zoo in two years.

The Bongos will be on display every other day depending on weather conditions and animal husbandry needs.



Make Your Saturdays WILD

On Saturdays you can sign up for a behind the scenes tour of our Elephant, Giraffe or Tiger barn, get an educational and insightful keeper talk, observe a training and enrichment session and learn more about how we care for these majestic animals.

Animal Experiences/Encounters are only available on Saturday and advance reservation is required. Elephant, Tiger and Giraffe experiences are \$65 per person plus Zoo Admission. Alligator encounters are \$10 per person plus admission. Montgomery Zoo members do not have to pay admission.

Space is limited and a minimum of two (2) people must be registered to hold an encounter. All participants must be at least six (6) years old and anyone

12 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Visit the Zoo's website for more information and to reserve you space.



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Add Some Extra WILD to your Zoo Adventure with a Daily Summer Fun Pass

For just \$10 plus admission you can get a train ride, Zoofari Sky lift ride, Giraffe Encounter and Parakeet Cove feed stick.

The Summer Fun Pass must be purchased at the Admission Window, Gift Shop or Mann Museum. Ride & Attraction Attendants CANNOT sell Summer Passes. Tickets only valid on the date purchased.

Purchase at Front Admissions Gate and Mann Museum (passes cannot be purchased at the individual rides and/or encounters). Offer ends September 2, 2019.



PLAN YOUR FALL FIELD TRIP NOW

The Montgomery Zoo offers discounted admission for SCHOOL GROUPS of 20 or more paying guests. In addition to the discounted admission, for every 15 paying students in your group, you will receive a FREE teacher admission. To receive full benefit of the group discount, you must have a reservation.

Admission packages includes the Zoo and Mann Museum - two great attractions at one low price.



CELEBRATE YOUR BIRTHDAY AT THE ZOO

There is nothing more exciting than celebrating someone's special day. Why not celebrate at the Montgomery Zoo with hundreds of your animal friends hosted by the Montgomery Zoo's Education

Department. Bring your friends and presents, and we will take care of the rest. Three packages are available to suit your needs along with add-ons to make your party that much more festive and exciting.

Birthday parties are only scheduled on Saturday or Sunday. Party reservation times are 10am - 12pm (noon) and 2pm - 4pm only and are held at our Flamingo Education Pavilion. Your admission gets you into the Zoo and Museum for the day but we ask party guest to arrive no earlier than 30 minutes prior to your scheduled time. For more information visit the Zoo's website www.montgomeryzoo.com or call 334-625-4900.



Let us bring the Zoo to YOU!

Teaching about our animals and conservation efforts is key to ensuring that the next generation can enjoy every creature large to small. This is the main goal of Montgomery Zoo and Mann Wildlife Learning Museum Education Department's Zoo 2 Go programs.

All of our education programs can be adapted to meet a variety of age groups from pre-K to seniors. Programs may be done on location at your day care, school, church, senior living facility, neighborhood association or civic group meeting. We can even add more to your group's visit to the Zoo with a program on-site in our indoor classroom or outdoor pavilion.

Call the Zoo at 334-625-4900 for more information or to book your program.





