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Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden

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Thanks to Our Sponsors:
The 7th Annual Tulip Luncheon  
Wednesday, April 9, 11am-1pm  
Come celebrate the garden and enjoy guided tours of more than 100,000 blooming tulips, a catered lunch, presentation by Zoo Director Thane Maynard and exclusive plant sale featuring distinctive items from the Zoo’s nurseries.  
Tickets: $75 each or $750 for table of 10 ($50 per ticket for active Zoo Volunteers). To reserve your tickets, please visit cincinnatizoo.org/events/tulip luncheon or call Allison Gibbs at (513) 487-3327. Proceeds benefit the Zoo’s botanical garden.

Easter Celebration  
Saturday, April 19, 10 am – 2 pm  
Have an "egg-citing" time at the annual Easter Celebration. Enjoy treat stations around the Zoo, meet the Easter Bunny and animal egg hunts and much more.  
Don’t forget to hunt for the Golden Eggs that will be hidden around the Zoo. Finders will win great prizes!

Springtime is Tulip Time  

April 3, 10, 17, & 24, 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm  
Enjoy FREE concerts by some of the hottest local bands in the garden every Thursday evening during Zoo Blooms.

April 3  Comet Bluegrass All-Stars  Bulletville
April 10  Jake Speed and The Freddies  Shiny and the Spoon
April 17  The Cliftones
April 24  Green Light Morning  DAAP Girls
Make plans to join us for the Zoo's wildly popular fundraising series to support CREW in 2014! **A Toast to the Wild** benefits the Lindner Center for Conservation and Research of Endangered Wildlife (CREW). This series includes five early evening events – Zootini, Wild About Wine (3) and Zoo Brew which raise funds to support CREW’s groundbreaking research to save endangered species. Held in various locations throughout the park, each event features live music, animal encounters, and light fare donated by popular local restaurants.

**Individual and series tickets will be available online starting in February.**
For more information, visit cincinnatizoo.org or email WildaboutWine@cincinnatizoo.org

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**2014 CINCINNATI ZOO TRAVEL EVENINGS**

If you are looking for exciting travel opportunities, why not join us for one or more of the following wildlife adventures:

**Kenya & Southern India** Trip Preview  
**Thursday, February 27, 2014 from 6:00pm - 7:30pm.**  
Presentation by Classic Escapes.

**Galapagos & Argentina**  
**Thursday, March 6, 2014 from 6:00pm - 7:30pm.**  
Presentation by World Discovery Safaris.

*Please RSVP to Christina at 513-487-3318 or christina.a@cincinnatizoo.org*  
These preview evenings are COMPLIMENTARY.

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**Save-the-Date**

**Friday, May 30, 2014**

Hosted by the Zoo’s Ambassador Council, mark your calendar for summer’s wildest party for a purpose! This African themed fun adult’s night out will include Zoo-nique cocktails, dinner-by-the-bite from favorite restaurants, and dancing to the music of “Swampthang”.

Funds raised support the Zoo’s Living Classroom Education Access Fund. Visit cincinnatizoo.org for details.
2014 BARROWS CONSERVATION LECTURE SERIES

Lectures are held at the Cincinnati Zoo’s Frisch’s Theater in the Harold C. Schott Education Center. All lectures begin at 7 pm.

Winifred & Emil Barrows Conservation Lectures series presents:

The Barrows Conservation Lecture Series is made possible by the ongoing support of the family of Winifred & Emil Barrows.

**Dr. Karen Strier – Wednesday, April 9**
Primate Conservation in the 21st Century: Insights from the Muriqui Monkeys of Brazil

**Bill Konstant – Thursday, April 23**
The World’s Rarest Rhinos

**Dr. M. Sanjayan – Wednesday, May 14**
Saving Earth in the Age of Man: In a world of 7 billion people what is our relationship with wild nature. Can wild nature & wildlife still exist in a human dominated planet?

**Dr. Terese Hart – Wednesday, May 28**
The challenges of protecting wildlife in the Congo

**John Ruthven – Wednesday, September 3**
“Martha,” The Last Passenger Pigeon

Visit cincinnatizoo.org/events/Barrows.htm for more information or call (513) 559-7766 option 4 to purchase tickets by phone
2014 will mark the 40th anniversary of the creation of the Education Department at the Cincinnati Zoo. Back in 1974, few Zoos had dedicated education staff and programs and the formation of one of the first Zoo Education Departments put the Cincinnati Zoo on the leading edge of innovation. The last 40 years have been an incredible journey and we thank everyone who has joined us in our wild zoo adventures. It’s an honor and privilege to serve the Cincinnati tri-state community with innovative experiences created with you in mind.

In the spirit of our department’s history of innovation and tradition we continue to develop new experiences and support existing ones. We are excited to introduce you to Zoo Troop- a unique foundational Environmental Education program that starts youth on their journey towards developing the skills needed to become knowledgeable, productive, forward thinking, action oriented, ecologically aware citizens. To find out more about Zoo Troop go to cincinnatizoo.org/zootroop or call 513-559-7767 option 4.

We also want you to know that the programs you and your children have participated in the past aren’t going away. Re-named Seasonal Highlights, these programs are available every season of the year. We will continue to highlight special age-appropriate topics that your children and the entire family will love.

It’s our goal to reach as many people as possible, while at the same time continually improving what we do. We look forward to serving you and your family as we facilitate the development of personal connections with nature and environmental literacy.

All Our Best,

Dan Marsh – Director of Education and the Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden Education Staff
ZOO EVENTS

DR. ZOOLITTLE’S ANIMAL TRAINING CAMP
Discover how to “talk” to animals! Campers will be training more behaviors with a variety of Zoo animals including goats, chickens and other birds. Learn about animal behavior and motivation while applying training techniques taught by Zoo professionals. By the end of camp, animals will be eating out of your hands, literally!

MINI-MAYNARD TRAINING CAMP
Join us for a week-long adventure and discover what it takes to become a future Zoo Director! Our Zoo director, Thane Maynard is known as a wildlife expert, a naturalist, author and a regular on TV shows promoting wildlife conservation. Campers will get a hands on look at many different jobs Thane has held on the way to becoming our Zoo director. Campers will handle animals, go behind the scenes in Zoo animal areas and create a 90 second naturalist podcast. Watch out Thane, these campers are on their way to becoming the next Zoo director!!

4yr. Olds & Kindergarten
BEAUTY AND THE BEAST
Some animals are more than meet the eye. Learn why there are just as many reasons (if not more) to love the beasts and the beauties. From beautiful butterflies and peacocks to beastly bearded dragons and bats, we’ll see why looks can be deceiving. You may find that these beasts are beautiful after all.

3rd-4th Grades
BLEND, BOLT OR BITE!
Animals can behave in different ways when faced with danger! They can: blend in, bolt out of sight or turn and bite! Discover the tricky ways animals keep safe in this week long camp that features up-close animal encounters and opportunities for excitement around every corner!

5th-7th Grades
NEW!
BEAUTY AND THE BEAST
Some animals are more than meet the eye. Learn why there are just as many reasons (if not more) to love the beasts and the beauties. From beautiful butterflies and peacocks to beastly bearded dragons and bats, we’ll see why looks can be deceiving. You may find that these beasts are beautiful after all.

1st-2nd Grades

Cost: Members: $210 / Non-Members: $225
Dates: March 24-28: 9 am-4 pm, March 31-April 4: 9 am-4 pm, April 7-11: 9 am-4 pm, April 14-18: 9 am-4 pm

AT THE ZOO!

SIGN UP EARLY

2014 SPRING BREAK CAMP AT THE ZOO!

Kindergarten-7th Grade full day camps, from 9am-4pm, Monday-Friday at the Zoo during Spring Break.

www.cincinnatizoo.org
OR Call (513) 559-7767

Photo by Michelle Curley
FULL DAY CAMPS

Full Day Camps include a summer camp T-shirt, snacks (campers pack lunch), giraffe, goat and lorikeet feeding, animal shows, train rides, a 4-D theater experience (except 4-5 year olds), live animal encounters, games, hikes, and so much more!

All sessions meet 9 am-4 pm, Monday-Friday
Cost: Members: $215 / Non-Members: $230

Before Care session: 8-9 am- $35 / After Care session: 4-5:30 pm- $40

4 Year Olds & Kindergarteners
CATCH ME IF YOU CAN

Do you think you can catch these critters? Discover what it means to be a predator or prey animal and how they use their adaptations to try and outwit, outrun, and hide from each other! Come and explore their wild worlds and help uncover their sneaky, stealthy secrets through interactive games, hikes through the zoo and close encounters with animal ambassadors.

Dates:

- May 26-30
- June 2-6
- June 9-13
- June 16-20
- June 23-27
- June 30-July 4
- July 7-11
- July 14-18
- July 21-25
- July 28-August 1
- August 4-8
- August 11-15

1st-2nd Graders
ZOOPER HEROES

Did you know that a certain bird can fly at speeds of 200mph? Animals can be out of this world when it comes to their super-adaptations. Some can leap 12 feet high with a single bound! Come to summer camp and discover these animals and their "incredible" super-powers. Each day, we will look at an unbelievable superhero, and then see if our zoo animals can measure up to their spectacular abilities. The camp will include zoo hikes, games and up close live animal encounters.

Dates:

- June 2-6
- June 9-13
- June 16-20
- June 23-27
- June 30-July 4
- July 7-11
- July 14-18
- July 21-25
- July 28-August 1
- August 4-8
- August 11-15

3rd-5th Graders

CHOOSE-YOUR-OWN-ADVENTURE: EXPEDITION NATURALIST

Campers will get a chance to become Naturalists, as they choose their destiny through different expeditions. These expeditions will traverse them through the world’s different biomes. As they complete each expedition they will become equipped with the knowledge and the tools it takes to become a real naturalist.

Dates:

- June 2-6
- June 9-13
- June 16-20
- June 23-27
- June 30-July 4
- July 7-11
- July 14-18
- July 21-25
- July 28-August 1
- August 4-8
- August 11-15

6th-8th Graders
WORKING WITH WILDLIFE

Animal keepers, field researchers, forensic zoologists, animal trainers...the list goes on and on when it comes to jobs that work with wildlife. We’ll meet some people who work with wildlife, some of the critters they work with, and tour some behind-the-scenes areas that help them do their job. This is a hands-on class, so be prepared to get knee or elbow-deep in exploration of some of the jobs and tools of the trade that come with a wildlife-related career! Participants will even get the opportunity to write and record animal-related podcasts that might be selected to be on the Zoo’s website!

Dates:

- June 2-6
- June 9-13
- June 16-20
- June 23-27
- June 30-July 4
- July 7-11
- July 14-18
- July 21-25
- July 28-August 1
- August 4-8
- August 11-15

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HALF DAY CAMPS

A.M. sessions meet 9 am-12 pm, Monday-Friday
P.M. sessions meet 1-4 pm, Monday-Friday
Cost: Members: $105 / Non-Members: $120

Half Day Camps include a summer camp T-shirt, snacks, live animal encounters, games, hikes, animal feeding opportunities, keeper talks, and so much more!

4 Year Olds & Kindergarteners

SENSATIONAL SENSES
Can you talk like an elephant or taste with your feet like a butterfly? Explore what sensory adaptations animals have and how these adaptations help them survive. We’ll spend the week looking at our five senses and seeing how they compare to other animals’ through close encounters with animal friends, interactive games, crafts, and hikes in the Zoo.

Dates:
May 26-30 (am only)    July 7-11
June 9-13               July 21-25
June 23-27              August 4-8

BRINGING UP BABY
Do other animals live in families like humans? Are all babies raised by their moms? During this camp, we’ll experience up close animal encounters, make crafts, and, of course, hike around the Zoo to learn about why it can take a mom, dad, pack, or no one at all to raise a baby animal.

Dates:
June 2-6               July 14-18
June 16-20             July 28-August 1
June 30-July 4         August 11-15

1st-2nd Graders

GROWING UP
What do polliwogs, cubs, and owlets have in common? They’re all babies! Spend a week learning how animals change and grow from the time they’re born until they reach adulthood. Each day is packed with activities to help discover how insects, amphibians, reptiles, birds, and mammals grow.

Dates:
May 26-30 (am only)    July 7-11
June 9-13               July 21-25
June 23-27              August 4-8

ANIMAL CHATTER
Have you ever wondered what a lion was roaring about or a bird chirping about? This camp will explore animals and how they “talk” to each other. Join us for a fun filled week, where campers will discover what animals are communicating, through smell (gross), facial expressions and sound.

Dates:
June 2-6               July 14-18
June 16-20             July 28-August 1
June 30-July 4         August 11-15

3rd-5th Graders

ZSI-ZOO SCENE INVESTIGATION
Footprints……teeth marks……broken branches……and scat???
What can these clues tell us about the biology of wildlife and the events that occurred at the scene? Discover ways to study the evidence that animals leave behind as well as learn about ways that Zoo professionals are using science to help conserve wildlife.

Dates:
May 26-30 (am only)    July 7-11
June 9-13               July 21-25
June 23-27              August 4-8

LEADERS OF THE PACK
During this week-long adventure, campers will discover animal leaders of all kinds, from keystone species to alpha males and females! After getting acquainted with animal leaders, campers will meet some leaders in conservation here at the Cincinnati Zoo. By the end of the week campers will have the opportunity to become leaders in conservation themselves!

Dates:
June 2-6                   July 14-18
June 16-20                 July 28-August 1
June 30-July 4             August 11-15

6th-8th Graders

OPERATION CONSERVATION
This program will explore the ins and outs of wildlife conservation. Through behind-the-scenes tours, animal encounters, hikes, and other activities, we’ll learn about real-life conservation research taking place at the Zoo, some of the tools researchers use to keep track of wild populations of species, and what we can do to help the wildlife in our own backyard.

Dates:
June 23-27 (am only)       July 14-18 (am only)
July 28-August 1 (am only)
Hang with the Troop

These new 4 week series, encourage the development of important skills and values that will allow your child to interact with peers and foster knowledge and respect for wildlife and wild places. Join us year round as we develop caring, confident, knowledgeable, and inspiring young people.

New skills and experiences are learned in each 4-week Zoo Troop series. Newcomers are welcome to sign up for each new series.

Toddlers (Ages 18-36 months old)

**TERRIFIC TEXTURES!**

Prickles, bumps and humps, oh my! Have you ever felt the soft feathers on a chicken? The prickly spines on a hedgehog? Join us for this four week series as we explore the world around us, by using our sense of touch! Discover how animals use their sense of touch to find food, shelter and water, just like we do! In this series we will get our hands on some furry, scaly and feathery friends who live in and around the Zoo!

**Steps**
- Discover the many different types of mammals and where they live.
- Meet animals up-close and understand their similarities and differences.
- Make new friends and realize your potential.
- Learn confidence based on the knowledge you gain.

**Purpose**
This Zoo Troop adventure will provide participants with an opportunity to foster their natural curiosity for animals while honing their skills of observation and learning how to organize and compare types of animals.

**Dates:** Choose to come every Tuesday, Friday, or Saturday for 4 weeks
- Tuesdays: April 22, 29, May 6 & May 13: 9:30-10:15am or 11-11:45am
- Fridays: April 25, May 2, May 9 & May 16: 9:30-10:15am or 11-11:45am
- Saturdays: April 26, May 3, May 10 & May 17: 9:30-10:15am

**Cost:** Members: $50/Non Members: $65

Kindergarteners

**ANIMAL CHAMPIONS**

What makes an animal a champion? Is it being the fastest or slowest? Biggest or tiniest? In this series, we’ll celebrate some super amazing animals and some surprising champions.

**Steps**
- Discover some animals that are the best at what they do.
- Investigate how an animal’s body or abilities can help it survive.
- Discover our own strengths that make us a champion.
- Make new friends and celebrate each others’ success.

**Purpose**
When I’ve finished this Zoo Troop Adventure I will have discovered animals that are the best at what they do and learned about my strengths and how I can be a champion too!

**Dates:** Choose to come every Friday, or Saturday for 4 weeks
- Fridays: April 25, May 2, May 9 & May 16: 10-11:30am & 4-6pm
- Saturdays: April 26, May 3, May 10 & May 17: 10-11:30am & 1-2:30pm

**Cost:** Members: $55/Non Members: $70

1st-2nd Grades

**MAMMALS BY LAND, SEA & AIR**

Mammals are a group of incredibly adapted creatures that can dash at top speeds, swim in the sea and fly through the air! During this program we will explore the diversity found among the class mammalia and discover why mammals are truly champions of the land, sea and air!

**Steps**
- Discover the many different types of mammals and where they live.
- Meet animals up-close and understand their similarities and differences.
- Make new friends and realize your potential and voice.
- Become more confident from gaining knowledge.

**Purpose**
This Zoo Troop adventure will provide participants with an opportunity to foster their natural curiosity for animals while honing their skills of observation and learning how to organize and compare types of animals.

**Dates:** Choose to come every Friday, or Saturday for 4 weeks
- Fridays: April 25, May 2, May 9 & May 16: 4-6pm
- Saturdays: April 26, May 3, May 10 & May 17: 11am-12:30pm

**Cost:** Members: $55/Non Members: $70

Pre-Kindergarteners (Ages 3-4 years old)

**ANIMAL TEXTURES**

Whether it is prickly quills, a smooth turtle shell, or soft fluffy fur, animals are covered in a variety of textures! These textures aren’t just for fun though; they do everything from keeping the animal’s warmth in to keeping the rain out. During this series, we will get up close and hands on with some touchable animal friends as we discover animal textures and how they help the animal that wears them.

**Steps**
- Discover the feel and name of different textures found in nature.
- Learn what an animal’s texture can tell us about them.
- Explore our world with our sight, touch, and imaginations.
- Make friends and learn to share our world together.

**Purpose**
When I’ve finished this Zoo Troop Adventure I will have discovered the hows and whys of different animal textures.

**Dates:** Choose to come every Wednesday, Friday, or Saturday for 4 weeks
- Wednesdays: April 23, April 30, May 7 & May 14: 10am-11am
- Fridays: April 25, May 2, May 9 & May 16: 10-11am
- Saturdays: April 26, May 3, May 10 & May 17: 11am-noon

**Cost:** Members: $50/Non Members: $65
3rd-5th Grades

PROUD TO BE A PRIMATE
What do lemurs, pottos, bonobos, gibbons and humans have in common? They all share the characteristics of a primate! Discover what primates have in common, as well as what separates them into monkeys, apes, and prosimians. We will compare and practice our primate behavior as we explore Jungle Trails. Plus, we will figure out how we can help protect our primate relatives.

Steps
Discover the important role primates play in their environment.
Investigate primate intelligence.
Make new friends and discover how to work together just like social primates.
Discover what role we play in our environment.

Purpose
This Zoo Troop adventure will help participants develop cooperative and team working skills and will build confidence as we discover how WE as primates are super important in our ecosystems.

Dates: Choose to come every Friday, or Saturday for 4 weeks
Fridays: April 25, May 2, May 9 & May 16: 4:30-6:00pm
Saturdays: April 26, May 3, May 10 & May 17: 1pm-2:30pm

Cost: Members: $55/Non Members: $70

HURRAY FOR MOM!
Many animals (including humans) have close relationships with their mothers. From the gentle jaws of an alligator to the comfy pouch of a wallaby, come and learn about our zoo moms as we prepare to celebrate all moms on tomorrow’s holiday just for them.

Dates: May 10: 10:00-11:30 am

NIGHT HIKE HEY BABY!
The Zoo babies are here and they sure are cute! Come and learn some information about them such as their name, birthdays, and what their family lives are like. With some animal visitors in the classroom and an after-hours Zoo hike, we’ll learn why each birth at the Zoo is cause for celebration and if there are any more babies on the way!

Dates: May 3, 9, 16, 24 or 31: 6:30-8:pm

FAMILY ZOO YOGA

This is a healthy living class
Adults and 4-10 year olds are invited to join us to foster fitness, family and fun with wildlife at the Zoo. Adults and children must purchase separate tickets.
Roar like a tiger. Fly like a bird. Move as slowly as a sloth. Explore the world of animals and plants in a fun new way – through yoga! You and your child will discover more about animals and plants through the practice of yoga. This fun and active program is a beginner/mid-level class for adults and children and can serve as a great foundation for developing an interest in wildlife and fitness that can last a lifetime. Yoga mats are provided. Please bring a bottle of water and wear comfortable clothing.

Dates: March 1, April 5, or May 3: 10-11 am

Cost per Class:
Members: $7 Adult/$7 Child
Non-Members: $11 Adult/$11 Child
Cost for Series:
Members: $15 Adult/$15 Child
Non-Members: $27 Adult/$27 Child

ZOO BIRTHDAY PARTIES!
Celebrate someone’s special day in a wild way! Zoo Birthday Parties include a private space in the Zoo’s Clubhouse for 1.5 hours, a fun and informative program, and a visit from two of our Zoo Animal Ambassadors provided by one of our knowledgeable educators.

Cost: Members: $250 rental fee plus $10 admission for each Non-Member adult and child.
Non-Members: $275 rental fee plus $10 admission for each Non-Member adult and child.

Dates: January–September on Saturdays & Sundays: 10:30 am-noon or 2-3:30 pm, (Oct.-Dec. limited availability. Call for details).

Visit cincinnatizoo.org/birthday-party for more information
SEASONAL HIGHLIGHTS
A NEW NAME FOR THE SAME GREAT PROGRAMS THAT YOUR FAMILY LOVES.

TODDLERS
(Ages 18-36 Months old)

COLOR QUEST
Bright, vibrant flowers are blooming, green leaves and grass are all around... Spring is a great time to learn about colors! We will take a stroll through the zoo, look closely, and let nature help us to learn our colors.

Dates: March 11, 14 or 15: 9:30-10:15 am or 11-11:45 am
Cost: Members: $10/Non Members: $14

INSECTACULAR!
From fuzzy bumblebees to marching ants, insects come in many shapes, sizes, and colors. Learn about and meet some of the insects you can only find at the Zoo as well as some that you may see in your own backyard as we flutter, buzz, creep, and crawl our way through this insectacular adventure!

Dates: March 12 or 14: 10-11 am
March 15: 11-noon
Cost: Members: $11/Non Members: $15

PRE-K

KINDERGARTEN
Did you know that when you go to sleep, many animals are just waking up? We’ll meet some nocturnal neighbors and learn about what senses they use to move around while you’re sleeping!

Dates: March 14: 1-2:30 pm
March 15: 10-11:30 am & 1-2:30 pm
Cost: Members: $12/Non Members: $16

1st-2nd GRADERS

DOWN & DIRTY!
Explore the world of animals that live under our feet! From earthworms to naked mole rats to insects, discover how your life changes when you spend all your time burrowing in the dirt.

Dates: March 14: 4:30-6 pm
March 15: 1-2:30 pm
March 27: 10-11:30 am
Cost: Members: $12/Non Members: $16

3rd-5th GRADERS

COOL CONSERVATION STORIES
Are you cooler than a polar bear’s toenails? That is pretty cool, maybe even ice-cold. But did you know that there are cool conservation success stories right in your own backyard? The Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden is involved in numerous successful conservation projects. Discover the role of the Zoo in conserving polar bears, bald eagles, pottos, gorillas, and much more!

Dates: March 14: 4:30-6 pm
March 15: 1-2:30 pm
March 22: 10-11:30 am
Cost: Members: $12/Non Members: $16

6th-8th GRADERS

BACKSTAGE PASS JR.
Is your 6th-8th grader looking for a more in-depth, once-in-a-lifetime experience at the Zoo? These specially designed classes allow an opportunity for an up-close and personal look at some of the places the Zoo animals call home, and most even include an encounter with Zoo animals! All participants will receive a keepsake backstage pass name tag on a zoo-themed lanyard as a souvenir of their adventure.

BIRD HOUSE
How many fish does a puffin eat for lunch? How do you get a job taking care of such cool birds? Get the answer to these questions and more when we take a guided behind-the-scenes look at the Wings of the World bird house. Don’t forget to bring your camera!

Note: Due to the nature of these programs, age limits must be observed. In addition, due to space restrictions, parents cannot be accommodated in behind-the-scenes areas, unless otherwise noted.

Dates: March 29: 10-11 am
Cost: Members: $30/Non Members: $45

François Lemarque and the Manatees
Did you know that The Cincinnati Zoo is one of only two institutions outside of Florida that rescue and rehabilitate manatees? Come experience a once-in-a-lifetime sleepover with these gentle giants! During the overnight you will enjoy two sneak peeks behind the scenes, hike the Zoo at night, play games, experience animal encounters and fall asleep with our resident manatee, 2000 pound Betsy, and young 400 pound Abigail swimming at your feet.

Dates: March 22, March 3 or May 17: 6 pm-9 am
Cost: Members: $30/Non Members: $35

REGISTER ONLINE NOW!
www.cincinnatizoo.org
Take To Teacher Page

Think your school is a zoo? It will be when we bring the animals to you!

Frisch’s Outreach, presents standards-based programs in your classroom, and they bring along a few animal friends to help them! With a variety of exciting topics, including inquiry-based programs, Frisch’s Outreach gives small groups of preK-12 students the chance to get up close to animals, while challenging them to think critically and even design their own inquiry investigations! For more information or to register for a Frisch’s Outreach program, please visit cincinnatizoo.org/outreach, or call 513-559-7767, option 5.

Make The Zoo Your Campus!

Earn your Master’s Degree! In collaboration with Project Dragonfly at Miami University, the Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden offers area educators the Advanced Inquiry Program (AIP), a Master’s Degree program focused on inquiry-driven learning and social change. Through courses offered on grounds at the Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden and online courses offered by Miami University, traditional and non-traditional educators can earn a Master of Arts in Teaching Biological Science* or a Master of Arts in Zoology. AIP Master’s candidates use inquiry not only as a tool for integrated learning, but as a powerful agent for student achievement, public engagement in science, and ecological stewardship.

Apply by Feb. 28, 2014 for courses starting June 2014!

*MAT degree does not confer a teaching certificate.

Earn Graduate Credit! Did you know the Zoo offers GRADUATE courses? That’s right – you can participate in graduate-level course work right here on Zoo grounds! Zoo Expeditions are a suite of graduate courses offered through Project Dragonfly at Miami University. This Summer, we’re offering Issues in Cincinnati Conservation, and our Fall courses include Plants & People; Animal Behavior & Conservation; and Habitats, Adaptations, & Evolution.

For more information about all our graduate opportunities, visit cincinnatizoo.org/PD

We now offer FREE field trips & overnights

Worried your school can’t afford the cost of a field trip or overnight? The Zoo’s Living Classroom Access Fund is available now for deserving schools to help fund your Zoo visit!

Apply online today! Visit cincinnatizoo.org/access
Nocturnal Adventure
Overnights at the Zoo

Experience the wildest nightlife in town during a Zoo sleepover! Available to school groups of 15 or more, an overnight is something to remember and a fun way to learn about life sciences.

During a Nocturnal Adventure your students will:

- Go behind the scenes for a unique view of the Zoo.
- Meet live animals up close and personal.
- Take a thrilling night hike through the Zoo.
- Sleep in the woods, under the stars, beside a rain-forest, or next to the manatees.
- Enjoy a lively animal show.
- Take home a souvenir patch.
- Explore the Zoo on your own the next day for FREE!

Choose from these Standards-Based Programs:

NEW! African Predator Prowl (Grades 2 & up)
Prowl the Zoo at night in search of predators from Africa and beyond and learn about the vital role of predators and humans in a healthy ecosystem.

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- Meeting live animals up close and personal from our skilled nocturnal adventure instructors.
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