

# BRANDYWINE

# ZOO NEWS



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## On the Cover

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*Take a Picture, It'll Last Longer*

Frances A. Borgers, Zoo Naturalist, Delaware State Parks



Hey, you out there with the fancy (or not so fancy) digital/film camera, smartphone, tablet, or old-school camera phone! We see you walking through the Zoo snapping some sweet pictures of the animals that call the Brandywine Zoo home. We would love to see these photos and let other Zoo News readers see some of these great feats of photography as well. Send in your best snapshots (up to five pictures per person) and you may have the chance to see one of your photos featured in the next issue of the Zoo News.

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# Making Lemonade from Lemons!

By Bill Montgomery, Executive Director, Delaware Zoological Society

Writer, lecturer, and self-improvement guru, Dale Carnegie once said, “When fate hands you a lemon, make lemonade.” That’s exactly what two young men from North Wilmington did when they heard about the 36,000 pound oak tree that crushed the Zoo’s Monkey House on Friday, July 12th.

Seven-year-old Jared DeStafney and his ten-year-old pal Ryder Hickey sprang to action and began selling lemonade in their neighborhood to raise money to assist with recovery efforts after our much-publicized tree tribulations. Just one week later, they presented Zoo officials with a whopping \$300 in lemonade stand profits for the Zoo Improvement Fund.

Jared and Ryder’s effort is illustrative of the outpouring of concern and support that we’ve received from the community since the news of our Monkey House spread far and wide. One of the first letters we received was from a longtime Zoological Society member who also enclosed a check for \$1,000!

Even fundraising events like the August 8th, Guest Bartending Event at the BBC Tavern and Grill in Greenville (which was planned long before the Monkey House episode) benefited from the community’s raised awareness of the Zoo’s needs. Thanks to the amazing efforts of our DZS staff and 18 exceptional guest bartenders, we raised over \$8,000 from this three-hour event and additional donations were still coming in as we

headed to press with this issue of the Zoo News.

If you’d like to help us make more “lemonade” to assist with improvements at the Brandywine Zoo, please send your tax-deductible check payable to the Delaware Zoological Society, 1001 North Park Drive, Wilmington, DE 19802 and write the words “Zoo Improvement Fund” on the memo line. Our monkeys will thank you for it!



**Jared DeStafney with Zookeepers Laura Martin, Leah Newman, Mary Peebles and Janey Kramlik.**



**Top fundraising Bartender/Gorilla, Jim Miller with Zoo staff Stacey Helmer and Shay Curry.**



# *Special Place, Special People The Monkey House Story*

By Lynn Klein, General Curator, Delaware State Parks  
Sharon Smith, Animal Keeper, Training and Enrichment Coordinator, Delaware State Parks

The Brandywine Zoo has been an attractive destination for Wilmington residents and visitors since 1905. Dr. James H. Morgan first proposed the idea of a zoo just one year earlier. The original boundaries of the zoo were much different than they are today. The main area of the zoo was the area of the old bear pit (across from the current Andean Condor exhibit) and the Exotic Animal House, and extended down the river. Ducks and geese, Belgian hares, a sea turtle, and a sea gull were among the original collection. Over the years, the zoo was operated by several different entities including the Washington Heights civic association, the Wilmington Free Zoological Association, the City of Wilmington and later by New Castle County. It is currently managed by the State of Delaware with the support of the Delaware Zoological Society.

originally dedicated. The Monkey House tree incident has set off a wave of research by a number of historians and we hope to share their findings in future issues of the Zoo News.

Regardless of its origins, the Monkey House has been home to numerous species of primates, reptiles and birds over the years, including a variety of tamarins and marmosets, an iguana, toucan, caiques, a mata mata turtle, boa constrictors and even Burmese pythons. In the early 1970s, the Director of the zoo was Hans Rosenberg. He brought a slightly larger species of old world monkeys including woolly monkeys, mangabees and squirrel monkeys. The building, however, was not open to the public, at that time. It was many years later that another big change occurred and visitors were allowed to enter the building and view the animals kept here.



The events of this past July have given rise to a historical mystery about the origin of the building we formally refer to as the Exotic Animal House but which has been more commonly known to generations of Wilmingtonians simply as the Monkey House. For many years it has been the accepted belief that the current Monkey House was probably once a zoo “comfort station” prior to its occupation by animals. However, the actual historical record is a little murky. While zoo records refer to many different animal houses, pavilions, and yes, even comfort stations, it is unclear exactly when the existing structure was built and to what use it was

In more recent years, the building has gone through minor cosmetic changes including the updating of the animal enclosures to make them safer for the animals and keepers and more aesthetically appealing for the public, and the addition of a new ventilation system to help with the air quality. In early July, the Exotic Animal Building housed seven different species of New World Primates and one bird species. These included eight Golden Lion Tamarins, two Golden Head Lion Tamarins, three Red Hand Tamarins, a family of four Goeldis Monkeys, two Cotton Top Tamarins, two Geoffroys Marmosets, three Tufted Marmosets, and one toucanet.



### Fast forward to the present day:

On July 12, 2013 at approximately 2:00 p.m. a tree came crashing through the roof of the iconic structure on Monkey Hill! One staff member, 24 monkeys and the lone toucanet were in the building when the tree fell. Thankfully our co-worker, Terrance Johnson, was not injured and quickly radioed for help. The resulting response from staff and interns was, to put it simply, amazing! As zoo keepers we have protocols and procedures in place for all types of emergencies that may

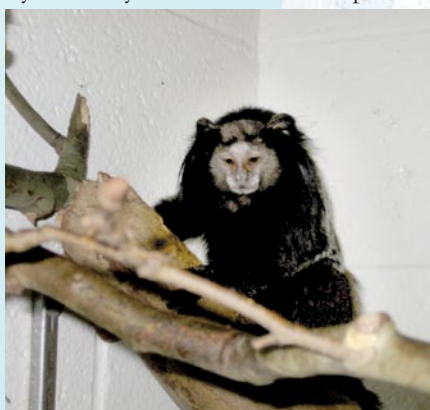
arise. We even have “mock” emergency drills from time to time and then follow that up with round table discussions so that we are totally ready when such a crisis may present itself. Emergency responders were quickly contacted and assembled. Power to the building had to be shut off because the water pipes had



collapsed and the building was flooding. At the go ahead from the fire department, keepers and fire fighters, along with our Delaware Zoological Society Executive Director entered the building from the back door as the front was not accessible. The fire fighters and Executive Director were armed with flashlights, and the keepers with nets, gloves and kennels and no small amount of determination!

We were originally given 20 minutes to evacuate as many animals as we could, all the while knowing that the 36,000 pound tree was sitting precariously just over our heads and might continue its decent towards the ground at any moment. As we worked feverishly inside the building the rest of the zoo employees and interns were galvanizing throughout the zoo. Temporary cages were being assembled and branched at the zoo’s hospital to hold the rescued primates while an assembly line was set up outside of the Exotic House to transport any animals we could save quickly to safety. This line was comprised

of Education, Administration and Zoological Society staff. Lucky for us, the zoo’s chief veterinarian was on-site that day to do triage and oversee the care for the frightened and possibly injured animals.



Everyone worked tirelessly and efficiently together with one goal in mind: save the animals!

Those twenty minutes grew to well over an hour, but with everyone working together we were able to get all the animals safely out of the ruined building. Miraculously, none escaped. Even then, the hard work was far from over. We needed to transfer each animal from their rescue kennel, examine them and move them into temporary housing. We continued to monitor them well into the night.

While this was going on the activity at the Exotic House only increased. A crew with a super-sized crane was brought in to lift the tree off the building and set it safely on the ground. This procedure took until 10:00 p.m. and was accomplished during a

driving rain storm. It was an amazing feat to see and one that we will not soon forget.

In the following days, we sought shelter for some of our displaced monkeys at nearby zoos, while making improvements to their temporary housing here at Brandywine. It should come as no surprise to anyone that the day after the tree fell on the building we kept the zoo closed so that the entire staff could focus all its energies on caring for the animals.

As so often happens in the face of a crisis many people and organizations have come forward with food, supplies and monetary donations. We are all truly touched by the outpouring of caring and sympathy that we here at the zoo have received and continue to receive. Our members, friends and neighbors have been very supportive, as has the zoo community both near and far. The fate of the Exotic Animal House has yet to be determined as we wait for the verdict of the structural engineers and other

officials. Plans are in the works to get some of the monkeys back on exhibit within the zoo and placement is being sought for those that we cannot accommodate in a reasonable amount of time.







**Bill Montgomery,  
Executive Director,  
Delaware Zoological  
Society**

When Zoo Director Nancy Falasco announced her retirement after 36 ½ years of dedicated service, the Board of Directors of the Delaware Zoological Society (DZS) decided to create an Executive Director position with leadership and development responsibilities to expand its good work in support of the Brandywine Zoo. I am extremely humbled to be the Society's first Executive Director.

The first thing people ask me is, what's the difference between what you do and what Zoo Director, Gene Peacock does? My short answer is that I'm in charge of the "business" side of the Zoo and Gene is in charge of the "animal" side. The DZS is a tax-exempt, non-profit organization responsible for admissions, memberships, fundraising, advertising, and marketing, and we operate the Zootique and snack bar. The State, which manages the Zoo, is responsible for all the animals, education programming and the upkeep of Zoo facilities. We have a strong partnership and work together every day to find ways to improve the Zoo.

Prior to joining the DZS staff, I had a rewarding executive management career in state and local government. I want to put the skills I learned there, my knowledge of non-profit governance, and the many positive relationships developed throughout my career to work for the Brandywine Zoo.

The Zoo is blessed with incredibly caring and committed staff and a unique and beautiful location along the banks of the historic Brandywine River. Our goal is to make this gem a source of pride for all Delawareans and an entertaining and educational place that promotes ecology, conservation and respect for animals. We want to make the Brandywine Zoo the best small zoo in the Country!



**Gene Peacock,  
Zoo Director,  
Delaware State Parks**

Wow! What a first few months it has been for me at the Brandywine Zoo. First, let me take a moment to say I am thrilled and honored to have been selected as the new director for the Brandywine Zoo. Following in Nancy Falasco's footsteps is a big task and I am grateful for the amazing job she has done making the zoo the quality institution it is, as well as for her kind and generous support of me during this time.

But what a time it has been. Many things have happened since I started at the beginning of June. Some of it very challenging, some of it pretty run of the mill for a zoo, but all of it exciting. Of course, we all know about the tree that fell onto the Monkey House and the significant damage it caused. We also had a large branch break off a tree in June and fall through our commissary roof, where all of the animal diets are prepared. Thanks to the efforts of the amazing staff at the zoo and the gracious help of the folks at Wilmington State Parks, our commissary is back up and running after roughly a six week period of repairs. More on trees elsewhere in the newsletter!

Overall, my family and I have been touched by the generosity of the zoo staff, the Delaware Zoological Society and the Wilmington area as a whole, which have welcomed us and made us feel at home. Our past ten years, were spent in North Carolina where I worked as a regional manager of education and exhibits for North Carolina State Parks and my wife was a school teacher. Prior to that, I worked in various zoos for over a 15 year period caring for everything from elephants, lions and tigers down to small mammals and reptiles. I hope my unique combination of zoological and State Park experiences proves useful as we take the Brandywine Zoo in some exciting new directions. Stay tuned because things are going on at Delaware's Brandywine Zoo!



**Lynn Klein,  
General Curator,  
Delaware State Parks**

Whoever said “the only constant in life is change” sure did know what they were talking about! This summer brought many changes to the Brandywine Zoo. Most recently we said farewell to our wonderful Zoo Manager/General Curator Leslie Simpson Brennan. Leslie left the zoo at the end of June to accept a fantastic opportunity; she is now the director of a non-profit organization. She tells us that while she misses the zoo and all its inhabitants, animal and human alike, she is very happy to be tackling new challenges and channeling her energies in new and exciting ways.

Meanwhile, I had the good fortune to be chosen to fill the Zoo Manager/General Curator vacancy. I am very eager to roll up my sleeves and help move the zoo forward in many new directions.

In the summer of 2010 I joined the Brandywine Zoo staff as the Assistant Curator and found the experience challenging and exciting. With more than 20 years experience as an animal keeper and zoo manager behind me, I settled in and got to work. I have worked at Zoo Atlanta, Houston Zoo, North Carolina Zoo and Birmingham Zoo. I have also had the good fortune to work with species ranging from Pygmy marmosets to California Sea lions to African elephants and everything in between. People always ask me which animal is my favorite. My answer is simple, it's whatever animal I am working with at that time. They are all just so unique and fascinating.

Change is in the air at the Brandywine Zoo. What an interesting and exciting time for everyone involved, staff and visitors alike. Please come out to the zoo and come often, you never know what fun times you might find!



**Jacque Williamson,  
Curator of Education,  
Delaware State Parks**

I'm very excited to be the new Curator of the Brandywine Zoo's Education Department! I have worked in the Department since 2007, when I started here as an AmeriCorps Public Ally. When my year of service ended, I began working at the Delaware Center for Horticulture as an educator and community organizer for City Parks, but my love for animals has kept me working part-time with the zoo ever since.

In 2011 I began pursuing my Master's Degree in Zoology, a program which has allowed me to travel to Baja, Mexico to study desert and marine ecology, Malaysian Borneo to study primate conservation, and to Namibia, Africa to study large cat conservation. These amazing research trips have really given me a global view of what community-based conservation really means, as well as some great ideas for how to apply those ideas here at the Brandywine Zoo and throughout the greater Wilmington area.

I hope to bring my zealous enthusiasm for animals, education, and conservation, to the zoo and I am confident that this will be evident in all of our programs. Look for some exciting changes in our programs over the next year, including more adult education and partnerships with other local conservation organizations. I'm happy to be back at the zoo full-time, and am privileged to work with such a great team of people in the Education Department and Zoo-wide!



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# ZOO NEWS

## Happenings!









# Scout Day is back at the Brandywine Zoo!

By Melody Hendricks, Assistant Curator of Education, Delaware State Parks

Are you a scout or scout leader? Looking for a fun way to earn badge requirements? Then you are in luck, Scout Day is coming back to the Brandywine Zoo! Our Scout Day event will be held this fall, on Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am to 12:00pm. The best part about Scout Day is that it includes activities for both boys and girls: Tiger Cubs, Wolf Cubs, Bear Cubs, Webelos, Daisies, Brownies, and Junior Girl Scouts. This means scouts may attend with their troop, pack, or their family. Everyone who registers will be able to enjoy a special morning at the Zoo filled with games, crafts, and activities geared towards scout requirements. Upon arrival groups will

receive a program brochure that includes the morning's schedule of activities, their location in the zoo, and what badge requirements they meet. Scouts are encouraged to work at their own pace and may participate in any activity, even if it doesn't meet their requirements, just for fun! Brandywine Zoo souvenir patches will be on sale for \$1.00. Registration is required by November 4<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$9/person; includes scouts, parents, additional leaders, siblings. Leaders will receive one free admission for every 15 scouts they register! For registration, please visit [www.brandywinezoo.org/scoutregform2013.pdf](http://www.brandywinezoo.org/scoutregform2013.pdf).



## Brandywine Zoo Presents The Traveling Zoo

By Matt Halterman, Outreach Program Manager, Delaware State Parks

Can't make it out to visit the zoo? No worries - have the zoo come to you! The Brandywine Zoo's Traveling Zoo program provides the experience of a fieldtrip to the zoo at your very own facility.

Offering a wide selection of themes that can be tailored to your specific educational needs, our conservation based EdZOOcational programs are intended for all ages, from 1-101! During our visit you will have the opportunity to interact with animal artifacts and meet some of our Animal Ambassadors up close and personal. Through fun interactive learning, participants will cultivate an appreciation and respect for our natural world.

Discounts are offered to libraries and when scheduling multiple programs. Scholarships are also available.

\*Sorry, we are unable to visit private homes\*

For scheduling and more information please contact [Matt.Halterman@state.de.us](mailto:Matt.Halterman@state.de.us)



# CONSERVATION CORNER



## Thanks to all our Zoo Friends

By Sharon Smith, Animal Keeper, Training and Enrichment Coordinator, Delaware State Parks

It has been just over a month since that fateful day in July when the massive oak tree fell on the Monkey House. However this unfortunate setback also brought with it quite a lot of positive attention to Delaware's only zoo.

I want to extend my gratitude to everyone who helped us and the monkeys on that devastating day. This includes our Zoological Society and education department staff, the Wilmington State Parks employees located at Baynard Stadium, and the City of Wilmington's Fire, Police, L&I and Public Works personnel who all came out and helped us in one way or another. I would also like to say a very big "thank you" to all of the wonderful community people who came out to the various zoo fund-raisers, to the visitors who dropped off donations and to the two young boys who set up the lemonade stand to raise money for our monkeys. I have heard it said that through tragedy comes triumph and I know that we will triumph over this situation too. The support of the community has been overwhelming and means the world to all of the staff here at the Zoo. All of our monkeys are doing well in their temporary enclosures and we are working hard to get a couple groups of them back out on exhibit, in the zoo, in the near future.

If you still wish to help the zoo and our monkeys, you can stop by the Zootique and make a donation to the Zoo Improvement Fund or you can mail us a check payable to the "Delaware Zoological Society." Remember, that even by just visiting the zoo, your admission fee also helps the zoo in many ways.

If you wish to help out specific species of primates, there are also numerous ways to do so. Below are just a few of the many websites you can visit to find ways to help with the conservation of these beautiful creatures.

Cotton Top Tamarins: Proyecto Tití is a conservation program that combines field research, education

initiatives and community programs to make the conservation of natural resources economically feasible for local communities in Colombia. The program is designed to provide useful information to assist in the long-term preservation of the cotton-top tamarin and to develop local community advocates helping promote conservation efforts in Colombia. Their website is: [www.proyectotiti.com/Default.htm](http://www.proyectotiti.com/Default.htm)

Golden Lion Tamarins: The National Zoo has been working to conserve golden lion tamarins for more than 30 years. In the early 1970s, there were fewer than 200 of these small monkeys in Brazil's Atlantic coastal forest. Thanks to the National Zoo, other zoos, conservation organizations, and Brazil's government, there are now about 1,500 living in the wild. Another 450 live in zoos around the world.

The Association of Zoos and Aquariums or AZA (previously American Zoo and Aquarium Association, and originally American Association of Zoological Parks and Aquariums) was founded in 1924 and is a non-profit organization dedicated to the advancement of zoos and aquariums in the areas of conservation, education, science, and recreation. The AZA headquarters are located in Silver Spring, MD. AZA-accredited institutions provided \$160 million in support of approximately 2,650 conservation projects in 130 countries. Additionally, zoo and aquarium scientists contribute to hundreds of conservation, biology, and veterinary science publications. Their website is: [www.aza.org](http://www.aza.org)

As always you can visit our website: [www.Brandywinezoo.org](http://www.Brandywinezoo.org) to find out more on how you can help primates as well as other species in need.

Again, from everyone here at The Brandywine Zoo I say THANK YOU!





# Before and After Hours Events

By: Abigail Clifford, Zoo Naturalist, Delaware State Parks

Have you ever wondered what it's like to hang at the zoo after hours? You can do just that during "Boo at the Zoo," the Brandywine Zoo's special trick-or-treating event. Come in your Halloween costume and see what the zoo is like at dusk. Guests can learn all about creepy critters, play fun games, and enjoy fall-themed refreshments. On Saturday, October 26, members and non-members alike are welcome to join in the festivities from 5pm to 8pm.

Another special **members only** "Boo at the Zoo" will be held on Friday, October 25 from 5pm to 8pm. On Friday only, members will be able to purchase and carve a pumpkin. All of the carved pumpkins will be used as enrichment for the zoo animals the following week! This is an all-age, non-scary event. Pre-registration is strongly recommended by Wednesday, October 23. Cost is \$2 per child, \$4 per adult (FREE for members with a suggested donation of \$10 per family for Friday's event).

If you're more of a morning person, then be sure to register for "Breakfast with Santa" on Saturday, December 7, from 8am to 10am. During this holiday themed event, guests get a rare opportunity to stroll through the zoo and watch how the animals start the day before the zoo opens to the public. Eat breakfast with Jolly Ol' St. Nick and get in the spirit with cookie decorating and up-close animal encounters. Kids will be able to share their wish lists and take a photo with Santa. Space is limited so make sure to pre-register by December 2. Don't miss the chance to make new memories at this cheer-filled celebration. Pre-registration begins on September 15 for zoo members and October 1 for non-members. Cost is \$25 per person (\$20 for members).



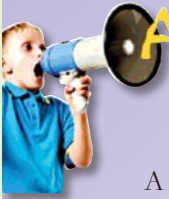


# KID'S



By: Frances A Borgers, Zoo Naturalist, Delaware State Parks

## Call to ACTION!



A very sad thing happened at the zoo recently. A tree fell on the Exotic Animal, or Monkey, House. All the animals who called this building home are safe and were quickly moved to other holding areas (a place in the zoo that is behind the scenes). While the monkeys are safe and being taken care of we would really love it if everyone could see monkeys in the zoo again. This is where you can help! Let people know what has happened to the zoo and help us raise money. You can ask your friends and family to make a donation, sell monkey shaped cookies, write cards and letters to friends living far away, or even sell lemonade. Any little bit can help make a big difference. Maybe you have a difference fundraising idea of your own!

When you send or bring in your donations be sure to tell us your name and what you did to help raise money and we just might write about you in the next issue of Zoo News. If the donation is in the form of a check be sure that it is made out to the **Delaware Zoological Society**

Donations can be brought directly to the zoo or mailed to:  
**Bill Montgomery, Executive Director, Delaware Zoological Society**  
1001 N Park Drive, Wilmington DE 19802

## Wild Artist!

Rachel J. Age 6 sent in this wonderful drawing. She titled the piece "Clark the otter is awesome!" We completely agree! If Clark could talk he would probably thank Rachel for making such a beautiful picture!!

We had a tough time choosing our favorite piece to feature in this edition of Zoo News. Thank you to all the wonderful artists out there who sent us their work of art.





AN ART HAPPENING



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for the BRANDYWINE ZOO

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events@brandywinezoo.org

## Zoo Calendar of Events

### September

**Weekends:** Keeper Talks, 11:30am & 1:30pm

**Weekends:** Close Encounters of the Wild Kind,  
10am-3:45pm

**Thursdays:** Story Time, 10:30am

**7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>** Zippity Zoo Days, Saturday, 10am-  
4:30pm AND Sunday, 10am-3:30pm

**21<sup>st</sup>** Zoo Fiesta, 12-3:30pm

**27<sup>th</sup>** Brew at the Brandywine Zoo, and  
Wine Too! 5:30-8:30pm

### October

**14<sup>th</sup>** Columbus Day Camp (Ages 4-13),  
8:30am-4pm

**25<sup>th</sup>** MEMBER'S ONLY-  
Boo at the Zoo 2013, 5-8:00pm

**26<sup>th</sup>** (Public) Boo at the ZOO 2013,  
5-8:00pm

### November

**9<sup>th</sup>** Scout Day at Brandywine Zoo,  
9am-12noon

### December

**7<sup>th</sup>** Breakfast with Santa,  
8:00am-10:00am

**31<sup>st</sup>** Noon Year's Eve, 10:30am-12:30pm

**Questions?** For a complete listing of our programs  
and events, visit our website at [www.brandywinezoo.org](http://www.brandywinezoo.org),  
Calendar of Events. If you have any questions please email  
our Education Department at [DNREC\\_Parks\\_ZooPrograms@state.de.us](mailto:DNREC_Parks_ZooPrograms@state.de.us).

*Thank You!*

We would like to say a big THANK YOU to all of our college interns we had helping us at the zoo this summer. They helped in our camps, traveling zoo, close encounters and as animal keepers. They are: Kate Hardy, Isabelle Kuhn, Maren Stinson, Sabrina Sterlacci, Amanda Helker, Morgan Lyons, Tracy Conrad, Rosie Mujica, Devin Abbott, Ashley Palmer, Marina Riese, Caitlin Mendez, Spencer Walker, Hannah Horne-Fiducioso, Hayley Nester, Miranda Warrington, Lizzy Profita and Tracey Stephey. We could not have done it without them!



# Brandywine ZOO 2013

## Reciprocal Zoos & Aquariums

Reciprocity applies only for admission to the main facility on normal operating days/ hours and may exclude exhibits, parking or events requiring an additional fee. The number of visitors admitted with a family membership may vary depending on the zoo or aquarium visited. Most zoos do NOT include guests.

The following is a current list of Zoos and Aquariums where admission is free, reduced or may offer some other discount, upon presentation of your current Delaware Zoological Society membership card and Photo ID. Please call the facility you wish to visit to verify current discounts or restrictions.

### Alabama

Birmingham Zoo  
Montgomery Zoo

### Alaska

Alaska SeaLife Center - 50% Discount

### Arizona

Heritage Park Zoo - 50% Discount  
Reid Park Zoo (Tucson)  
Phoenix Zoo - 50% Discount

### Arkansas

Little Rock Zoo - 50% Discount

### California

Aquarium of the Bay (San Francisco) - 50% Discount  
Big Bear Alpine Zoo  
Cabrillo Marine Aquarium (Los Angeles) - 10% Off - Gift Shop  
Charles Paddock Zoo  
Chaffee Zoological Gardens of Fresno - 50% Discount  
CuriOdyssey (San Mateo)  
Happy Hollow Zoo  
Living Desert - 50% Discount  
Los Angeles Zoo - 50% Discount  
Micke Grove Zoo  
Oakland Zoo - 50% Discount  
Sacramento Zoo - 50% Discount  
San Francisco Zoological Gardens - 50% Discount  
Santa Ana Zoo  
Santa Barbara Zoo  
Sequoia Park Zoo

### Colorado

Pueblo Zoo - 50% Discount

### Connecticut

Beardsley Zoological Gardens

### Delaware

Brandywine Zoo (Wilmington)

### Florida

Brevard Zoo (Melbourne)  
Central Florida Zoological Park - 50% Discount  
Florida Aquarium - 50% Discount  
Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens - 50% Discount  
Lemur Conservation Foundation - 10% Off - Gift Shop  
Lowry Park Zoo - 50% Discount  
Miami MetroZoo - 50% Discount  
Mote Marine Laboratory and Aquarium  
Palm Beach Zoo at Dreher Park - 50% Discount

### Georgia

Chehaw Wild Animal Park (Albany)  
Zoo Atlanta - 50% Discount

### Hawaii

Waikiki Aquarium - 50% Discount

### Idaho

Tautphaus Park Zoo (Idaho Falls)  
Zoo Boise

### Illinois

Cosley Zoo (Wheaton)  
Henson Robinson Zoo (Springfield)  
Lincoln Park Zoo - 10% Off-Gift Shop  
Miller Park Zoo  
Niabi Zoo  
Peoria Zoo  
Scovill Zoo - 50% Discount

### Indiana

Fort Wayne Children's Zoo - 50% Discount  
Mesker Park Zoo & Botanic Garden  
Potawatomi Zoo (South Bend) - 50% Discount

### Iowa

Blank Park Zoo (Des Moines)  
Nat'l Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium - 50% Discount

### Kansas

David Traylor Zoo of Emporia - 25% Off- Gift Shop  
Hutchinson Zoo 20% Off- Gift Shop  
Lee Richardson Zoo (Garden City)- 10% Off- Gift Shop  
Rolling Hills Wildlife Adventure - 50% Discount  
Sedgwick County Zoo & Botanical -Garden - 50% Discount  
Sunset Zoological Park (Manhattan)  
Topeka Zoological Park

### Kentucky

Louisville Zoological Garden

### Louisiana

Alexandria Zoological Park  
Baton Rouge Zoo  
Louisiana Purchase Zoological Society  
Zoo of Acadiana

### Maryland

Catoctin Wildlife Preserve & Zoo - 50% Discount  
Maryland Zoo in Baltimore  
Salisbury Zoological Park - 25% Off- Gift Shop

### Massachusetts

Buttonwood Park  
Capron Park Zoo  
Franklin Park Zoo (Boston) - 50% Discount  
Museum of Science  
Stone Zoo - 50% Discount

### Michigan

Binder Park Zoo (Battle Creek) - 50% Discount  
Children's Zoo at Celebration Square  
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John Ball Zoological Gardens (Grand Rapids)  
Potter Park Zoo (Lansing)

### Minnesota

Como Park Zoo - 15% Off- Gift Shop  
Lake Superior Zoological Gardens (Duluth)  
Minnesota Zoological Garden - 50% Discount  
Pine Grove Zoo

### Mississippi

Jackson Zoological Park - 50% Discount

### Missouri

Dickerson Park Zoo (Springfield)  
Endangered Wolf Center - 50% Discount  
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### Nebraska

Lincoln Children's Zoo  
Henry Doory Zoo (Omaha) - 50% Discount  
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### New Hampshire

Squam Lakes Natural Science Center - 50% Discount

### New Jersey

Bergen County Zoological Park (Paramus)  
Cape May County Park Zoo - 10% Off - Gift Shop  
Turtle Back Zoo

### New Mexico

Albuquerque BioPark - 50% Discount  
Alameda Park Zoo (Alamagordo)  
Living Desert Zoo & Gardens State Park  
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### New York

Binghamton Zoo at Ross Park  
Buffalo Zoo - 50% Discount  
New York State Zoo at Thompson Park  
Rosamond Gifford Zoo at Burnet Park - 50% Discount  
Seneca Park Zoo (Rochester)  
Staten Island Zoo  
Trevor Zoo  
Utica Zoo

### North Carolina

Greensboro Science Center  
North Carolina Zoological Park (Asheboro)  
N. C. Aquarium at Fort Fisher  
N. C. Aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores (Atl. Beach)  
N. C. Aquarium at Roanoke Island  
Western N.C. Nature Center (Asheville)

### North Dakota

Chahinkapa Zoo  
Dakota Zoo  
Red River Zoo  
Roosevelt Park Zoo (Minot)

### Ohio

African Safari Wildlife Park - 50% Discount  
Akron Zoological Park  
Boonshoft Museum of Discovery  
Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden - 50% Discount  
Cleveland Metroparks Zoo - 50% Discount  
Columbus Zoo and Aquarium & The Wilds- 50% Discount  
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The Wilds - 50% Discount

### Oklahoma

Oklahoma City Zoological Park - 50% Discount  
Tulsa Zoo - 50% Discount

### Oregon

Oregon Zoo - 50% Discount  
Wildlife Safari - 50% Discount

### Pennsylvania

Elmwood Park Zoo - 50% Discount  
Erie Zoological Gardens  
Lehigh Valley Zoo  
National Aviary in Pittsburgh - 50% Discount  
Philadelphia Zoo - 50% Discount - NO Free Guests  
Pittsburgh Zoo and Aquarium- 50% Discount  
ZooAmerica - Hershey

### Rhode Island

Roger Williams Park Zoo (Providence) - 50% Discount

### South Carolina

Greenville Zoo  
Riverbanks Zoo and Garden

### South Dakota

Bramble Park Zoo  
Great Plains Zoo & Museum (Sioux Falls)

### Tennessee

Chattanooga Zoo at Warner Park  
Knoxville Zoological Park  
Memphis Zoo. Gardens & Aquarium - 50% Discount  
Nashville Zoo - 50% Discount

### Texas

Abilene Zoological Gardens  
Caldwell Zoo (Tyler) - 50% Discount  
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Dallas Zoo 50% Discount  
El Paso Zoo - 50% Discount  
Ellen Trout Zoo (Lufkin)  
Gladys Porter Zoo (Brownsville)  
Houston Zoo  
San Antonio Zoo & Aquarium - 50% Discount  
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The Texas Zoo (Victoria) -50% Discount

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Tracy Aviary  
Utah's Hogle Zoo (Salt Lake City) - 50% Discount  
Willow Park Zoo - 10% Gift Shop

### Virginia

Mill Mountain Zoo - 50% Discount  
Virginia Zoological Park (Norfolk)

### Washington

Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium - 50% Discount  
Woodland Park Zoological Gardens

### Washington, D.C.

National Zoological Park - 10% Off - Gift Shops

### West Virginia

Oglebay's Good Zoo (Wheeling) - 50% Discount

### Wisconsin

Henry Vilas Zoo (Madison) - 10% Off - Gift Shops  
International Crane Foundation (Baraboo)  
Milwaukee County Zoological Gardens  
North Eastern Wisconsin (NEW) Zoo  
Racine Zoological Gardens

### Canada

Granby Zoo (Quebec) - 50% Discount

### Mexico

Parque Zoologico de Leon (Guanajuato)

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