

Tons of Fun this Weekend at Lehigh Valley Zoo!

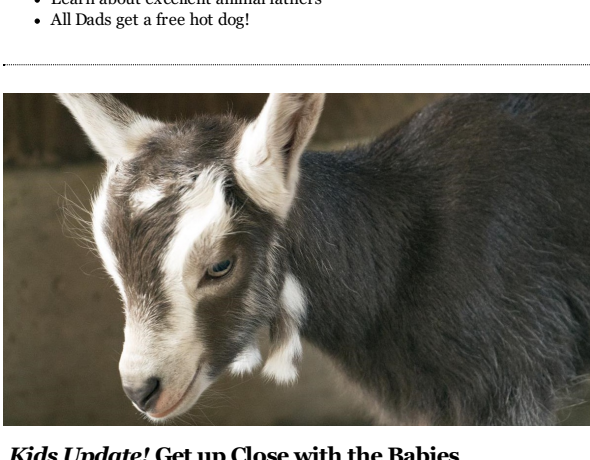


Don't Miss our First Annual 1K9 Dog Walk

Get the dogs and leashes ready and head up to LV ZOO this Saturday, June 18th, to join us for our first annual 1k9 dog walk (0.62 miles) to raise money for animal welfare projects!

This great day for dogs will bring together animal shelters, vendors, adults and children as we meet at the Zoo entrance and head out to do a 1k walk around the outside of the Zoo. We will start in the Zoo parking lot and the path will take us through the Trexler Nature Preserve and along elk ridge trail along the Jordan creek and we will end right back at the Zoo parking lot. A beautiful day, exercise for you and your pet and helping a great cause makes this event one of our favorite. Woof!

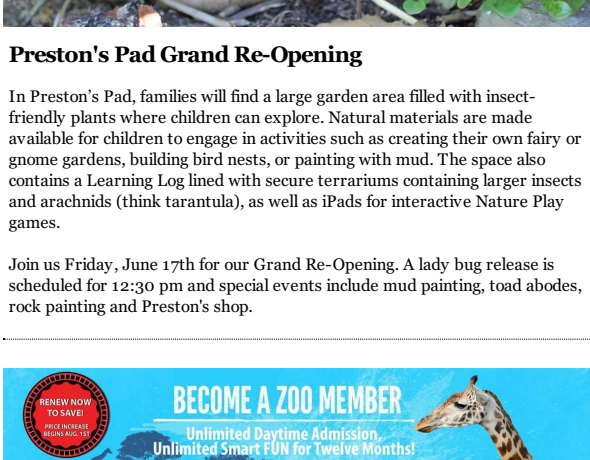
Buy and print your ticket [here](#) and bring the ticket with you on Saturday - or register on-site! Registration begins at 7:30 am and walk will begin at 8:30 am.



It's Father's Day at the Zoo

Join us to celebrate fathers of all species! We have a fun day planned with the following activities:

- Animal ambassador encounters at 10 am and 2 pm
- Keeper talk - wolves at 12:30 pm
- Animal fathers matching game
- Learn about excellent animal fathers
- All Dads get a free hot dog!



Kids Update! Get up Close with the Babies

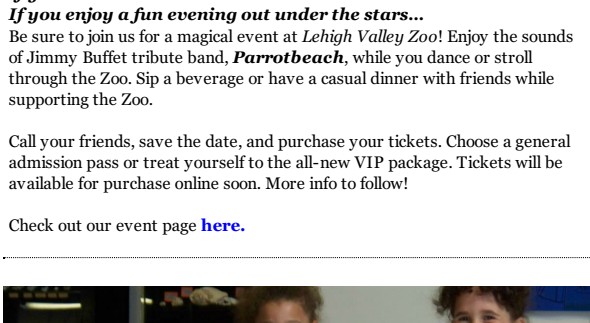
It's the moment we've been waiting for! Our twin baby Toggenburg goats have officially been added to the barnyard herd and guests can now visit with them during walkabouts. We'll have ambassadors working in the goat and kangaroo exhibits this weekend so be sure to come out and meet the kids!



Preston's Pad Grand Re-Opening

In Preston's Pad, families will find a large garden area filled with insect-friendly plants where children can explore. Natural materials are made available for children to engage in activities such as creating their own fairy or gnome gardens, building bird nests, or painting with mud. The space also contains a Learning Log lined with secure terrariums containing larger insects and arachnids (think tarantula), as well as iPads for interactive Nature Play games.

Join us Friday, June 17th for our Grand Re-Opening. A lady bug release is scheduled for 12:30 pm and special events include mud painting, toad abodes, rock painting and Preston's shop.



Join or Renew Your Zoo Membership Today to Save - Price Increases Begin August 1st!

Now is a great time to start or renew your Lehigh Valley Zoo membership—because as of August 1, 2016 ALL memberships will have a necessary price increase. **Join or Renew now to save!**

Membership information and purchase/renewal is available every day at the Zoo. Ask a staff member for details!

Or for more information, click [here](#).

Zoo News



It's a time for hope and celebration at the Lehigh Valley Zoo— and for conservationists worldwide—as 25 scimitar horned oryx are reintroduced to their natural habitat in Chad, Africa **after being extinct in the wild for almost 30 years.**

As a longtime champion and award-winning participant in the mission for saving the scimitar horned oryx, a species of antelope, Lehigh Valley Zoo holds an active role in the preparation for this landmark event. Five oryx currently reside at the Zoo, including the two calves that were born there in the past year.

To read the full press release, click [here](#).

Upcoming Events



Save the Date! Our Annual Zoo in Paradise Fundraiser is Set for August 20th

If you like Jimmy Buffett and Island Music...
If you like to dance...

If you enjoy a fun evening out under the stars...

Be sure to join us for a magical evening at *Lehigh Valley Zoo*! Enjoy the sounds of Jimmy Buffet tribute band, **Parrotbeach**, while you dance or stroll through the Zoo. Sip a beverage or have a casual dinner with friends while supporting the Zoo.

Call your friends, save the date, and purchase your tickets. Choose a general admission pass or treat yourself to the all-new VIP package. Tickets will be available for purchase online soon. More info to follow!

Check out our event page [here](#).



Spots Still Available for Smart Summer Fun - Register for Summer Zoo Camp Today

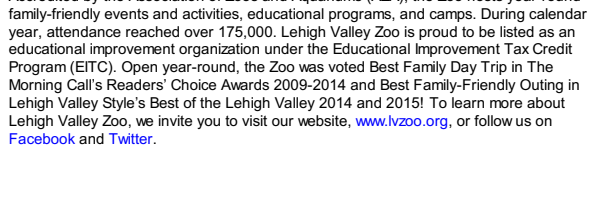
Through fun, interactive hands-on activities, camp participants learn about nature, science, and the animal kingdom. Campers hike through the Zoo, explore behind-the-scenes, and meet some amazing animals up-close.

A typical day at Zoo Camp may include: Zoo tours; nature hikes; interactive classroom activities; animal artifacts; educational videos; keeper talks; animal encounters; animal enrichment activities; animal feedings; nature arts and craft projects; and creek studies (weather dependent).

Before and after-care also available.

[Click here](#) for all the details on Summer Camps at Lehigh Valley Zoo.

For more information, please call 610-799-4171 ext. 247.



Get Involved as a Special Events Volunteer

Volunteers are an integral part of our Zoo family. If you're looking to get involved and need a flexible schedule or can't make a long-term commitment, helping out at one or more of our special events may be the perfect match for you! Email volunteer@lvzoo.org for more info on how you can volunteer.

Capital Campaign 2016

Adopt a Giraffe for Lehigh Valley Health Network's Children's Hospital!

Lehigh Valley Zoo has partnered with the Children's Hospital at the Lehigh Valley Health Network to sell "ADOPT A Giraffes" that benefit our community's sick children. You can sponsor three children for \$90 or sponsor five children for \$150. The "ADOPT A Giraffe," which includes a plush giraffe, one child's Zoo pass and a Zoo campaign sticker, will go to a child upon release from the Children's Surgery Center and the funds will support the Zoo's Capital Campaign to bring giraffe to the Zoo in 2016.

If you are interested in sponsoring a child, contact Doreen Carl, Development Manager, at the Lehigh Valley Zoo. Email at dcarl@lvzoo.org, or call 610-799-4171, ext. 232.

Meet the two male giraffes that we are fundraising to build a new home for! Help us bring them to the Lehigh Valley!

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Zoo Hours
Every Day from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm
April through October
Every Day from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm
November through March

As a non-profit organization, Lehigh Valley Zoo is eleven years young, but as a treasured community landmark, our history spans over a century. Lehigh Valley Zoo, located in the heart of the Trexler Nature Preserve, is home to more than 325 animal ambassadors representing over 125 species. The Zoo's animal collection includes 22 species collectively managed through a Species Survival Plan®, or SSP, administered by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA). As a means to share important conservation messaging with Zoo guests and contribute to field conservation, the Zoo contributes to, participates in, and initiates wildlife conservation programs at home and in the field. The Zoo's full-circle conservation projects spotlight the Eastern Spadefoot Toad and Spotted Turtle (local), Mexican Gray Wolf (national), and African Penguin (international).

Accredited by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA), the Zoo hosts year-round family-friendly events and activities, educational programs, and camps. During calendar year, attendance reached over 175,000. Lehigh Valley Zoo is proud to be listed as an educational improvement organization under the Educational Improvement Tax Credit Program (EITC). Open year-round, the Zoo was voted Best Family Day Trip in The Morning Call's Readers' Choice Awards 2009-2014 and Best Family-Friendly Outing in Lehigh Valley Style's Best of the Lehigh Valley 2014 and 2015! To learn more about Lehigh Valley Zoo, we invite you to visit our website, www.lvzoo.org, or follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

