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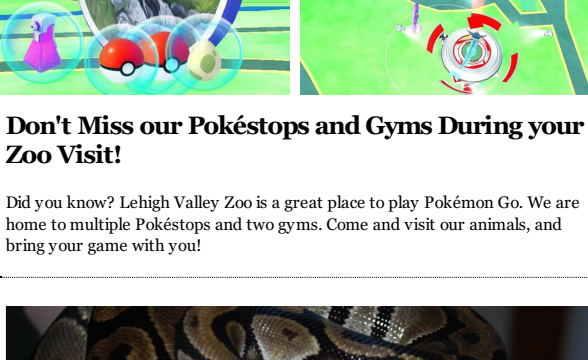


We're Breaking Ground!

Lehigh Valley Zoo is extremely excited to announce a very special ground breaking ceremony and press conference on Monday, July 18th at 10:30 am! This ceremony marks the beginning of the construction process for our giraffe barn - the new home for two Masai giraffes that will be arriving in the Lehigh Valley this Fall!

The general public is welcome to attend this event with paid admission.

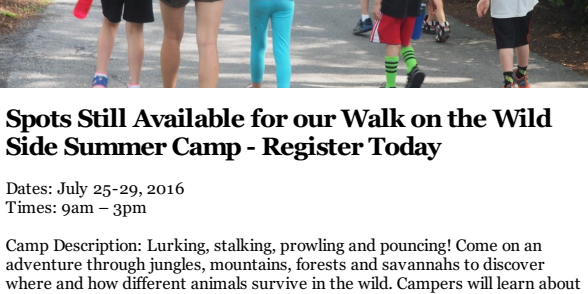
Weekend Events at Lehigh Valley Zoo



Join us for our Farm Fest Celebration this Saturday at the Zoo

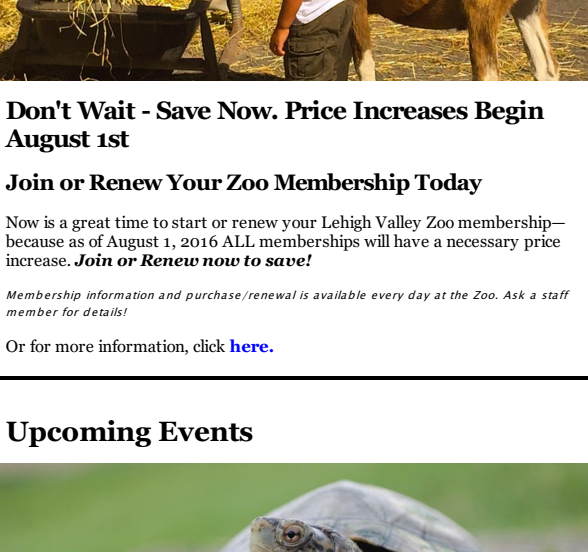
We're celebrating the agricultural industry and our own farm animals this Saturday, July 16th! Join us for lots of family fun. Some of our scheduled events include:

- Animal Ambassador Encounters at 10 am and 2 pm
- Learn about agriculture from local farmers who will also have a wide variety of farm fresh produce available for purchase
- Take a look at some farm tractors
- Wonders of Wildlife Encounters at 11:30 am and 1 pm
- After 2 pm - keep an eye out for some of our farm animals who will be out walking around the Zoo!



Don't Miss our Pokéstops and Gyms During your Zoo Visit!

Did you know? Lehigh Valley Zoo is a great place to play Pokémon Go. We are home to multiple Pokéstops and two gyms. Come and visit our animals, and bring your game with you!



Sunday is World Snake Day

Come visit the Zoo to celebrate our scaly friends and stay for a special venomous snake talk at 2 pm!



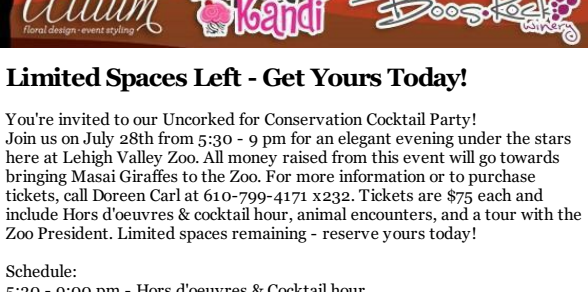
Spots Still Available for our Walk on the Wild Side Summer Camp - Register Today

Dates: July 25-29, 2016

Times: 9am – 3pm

Camp Description: Lurking, stalking, prowling and pouncing! Come on an adventure through jungles, mountains, forests and savannahs to discover where and how different animals survive in the wild. Campers will learn about different species through animal encounters, nature hikes, interactive games, crafts, zoo tours, and a creek study.

To register: Call the Education department at 610-799-4171 x229, 227, 238, or 228.



Don't Wait - Save Now. Price Increases Begin August 1st

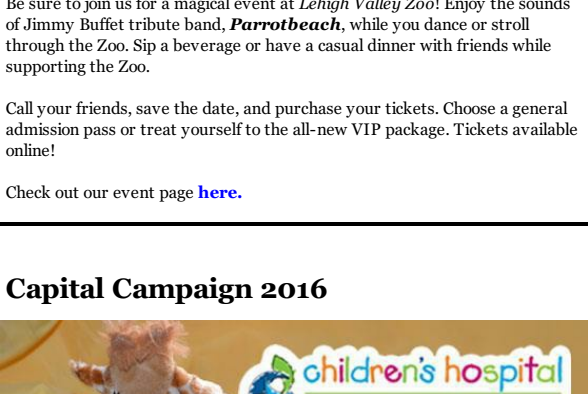
Join or Renew Your Zoo Membership Today

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!

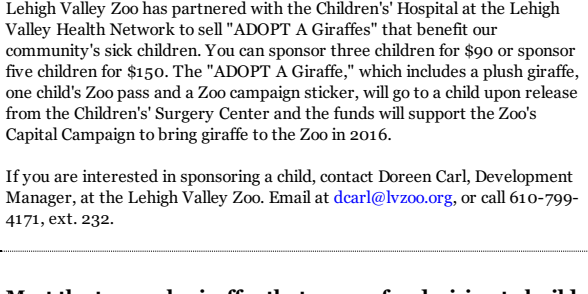
Or for more information, click [here](#).

Upcoming Events



Join us for the Opening of our Turtle Pond

We'll be cutting the ribbon on our new Turtle Pond, the home of our Western pond turtle, on July 28th from 5:30 - 9 pm for an elegant evening under the stars here at Lehigh Valley Zoo. The Western pond turtle is one of the animals on AZA's (Association of Zoos and Aquariums) list of SAFE (Saving Animals from Extinction) animals. Stay tuned for more information on this exciting event!



Run Wild at Lehigh Valley Zoo

10K, 5K, 1-Mile Smart FUN Family Walk

Sunday, August 14, 2016

8:00 AM – 5K & 10K Run

9:50 AM – One Mile Family Walk

Lehigh Valley Zoo's seventh annual Run Wild takes participants on a mad dash through the picturesque Trexler Nature Preserve and Lehigh Valley Zoo. Whether they sprint, gallop, waddle or crawl, this event is sure to bring out everyone's wild inner animal.

[Click here for Run Wild registration form](#)



Tickets Now Available Join us for our Annual Zoo in Paradise Fundraiser on 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 event 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 available online!

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

Capital Campaign 2016

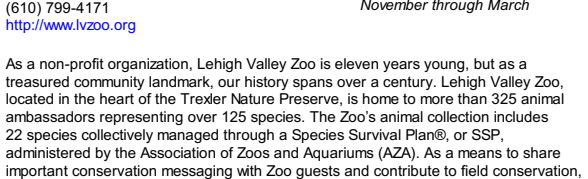


Adopt a Giraffe for Lehigh Valley Health Network's Children's Hospital!

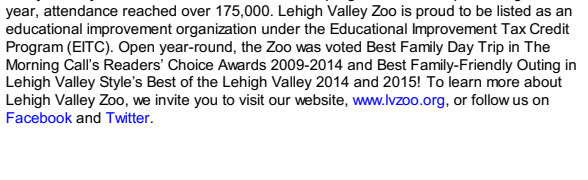
Lehigh Valley Zoo has partnered with the Children's Hospital at the Lehigh Valley Health Network to sell "ADOPT A Giraffes" that benefit our community's sick children. You can sponsor three children for \$90 or sponsor five children for \$150. The "ADOPT A Giraffe," which includes a plush giraffe, one 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!



Volunteer at the Zoo



Get Involved as a Guest Engagement or Special Events Volunteer

Volunteers are an integral part of our Zoo family. There are lots of opportunities to get involved at the Zoo—both on an ongoing or one-time basis. For example, 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.

Thank you to our Newest Business Partner

Welcome to the Lehigh Valley Zoo Family!

Thank you to our 2016 Media Partners!

Thank you to our 2016 Business Partners!

We've been named the **BEST** by the readers of *Lehigh Valley Style!*

Best Family-Friendly Afternoon Outing

LEHIGH VALLEY ZOO

Lehigh Valley Zoo

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(610) 799-4171
<http://www.lvzoo.org>

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](#).

