Here are our meeting minutes for Tuesday 9/19/17!

Thanks for Mariah and Julie for presenting some of Potter Park Zoo's animals (Tenrec, bearded dragon, boa, rat, and wood turtle)!

Our general meetings are on Tuesdays 7pm-8pm in Room 128 of Natural Sciences.

Next week we'll have an overview of the recent AZA (Association of Zoos and Aquariums) conference!

Merchandise will also be available for purchase (Our new animal spartan head t-shirts are in! Yay!), and dues can be paid as well.

**Opportunities in Zoology!**

- **Join the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA)!**

Student Membership is a resume builder, it keeps you up to date with recent news in the zoo world as well as job postings, and gives you access to the Connect Magazine!

<https://www.aza.org/individual-membership>

**- Brown Bag with the Profs!**

Tuesdays in room 203C of Natural Sciences, from 12 pm - 1 pm

Come hang out with advisors/staff and see where the discussions take you!

- **Human Ancestor Program**

Volunteer position with 2 semesters of commitment. Encourages interest in anthropology and fosters scientific thought through a series of hands-on activities with fossil hominins. Volunteer presenters will be able to practice teacher for a non-academic audience, learn how to work with the public, and connect with K-12 teachers.

Orientation/Training Session: Tuesday, September 26th, 5:30 - 7:30 pm in MSU Museum Conference Room.

Contact Grace Krause with questions: [krausgr@msu.edu](mailto:krausgr@msu.edu)

**Active Member Information\*\*\***

- Apparel discounts

- Reduced trip fees

- Networking opportunities

- Special events

- Leadership building

- Graduation cords\*

\*\*\*If you have class conflicts: Do the required events above, pay dues, and complete 2 extra events of your choice! We want everyone to be included in the club if they want to be!!

\*Seniors who have active member status and have joined a committee.

To Become an Active Member

- Pay Dues!

    -($20 per semester, $30 annually)

    -We'll be accepting dues until **September 26th**

**-**If you need more time to decide/pay dues, please contact EBoard

- Attend 1 Fundraising Event

- Attend 1 Social Event

- Attend 1 Service/Outreach Event

- Attend **6** of the general meetings

If you have any questions about becoming active/checking if you're active come see Eboard after the meetings! There is a newcomer exception for freshman/transfer students if they pay dues.

Also, if you aren’t “Active” you can still be a general member, where you show up to some of the meetings and participate in events, although for trip slots preference might first go to an active member.

**2017-2018 T-Shirt Creation Competition**

Create a shirt design with:

- “Zoological Students Association” or “MSU ZSA” or “ZSA” on the shirt.

- Include the year

- A maximum of two colors on the shirt

- Animals

Designs Due: September 26th

\*\*Cannot have: Spartan Head, Sparty, Spartan related things.

\*\*\*Whoever wins the design contest will receive a free t-shirt

**Upcoming Events!**

**John Ball Zoo Talk**

- November 3rd

- Talk is at 4:00 pm, cars will be leaving MSU around 2:45 or 3 pm.

- We'll be hearing from a veterinarian and zookeeper

- We'll also hear about field conservation and animal husbandry too!

- Please sign up on the google doc on the Facebook page!

**Game Night**

- Sept. 21st.

- Time: 6 pm

- Where: Lexy and Julie’s Apartment

(If you signed up we’ll email you the address).

**Camping Trip**

- October 13th-15th

- Where: South Haven, Van Buren State Park

- Cost: $25 for active, $30 for general

- Fill in your info/Sign up on the Facebook page by **September 26th.**

- You need to pay us by **October 3rd.**

**Annual Herp Survey**

- Partnered with MSU Herpetology Club

- October 8th, 10 am - 2 pm

- Fenner Nature Center

- Look for Facebook event in future (you can sign up for carpools there)

- Contact Lexy with questions

**The Rock Fundraiser**

- We’ll be raising money for Bats‼

**Yankee Candle Fundraising**

**-**Information is on the ZSA Facebook Page

- Now through January 11th!

- Share the ZSA link and seller number to family and friends!

    - Or create your own seller ID to compete for a gift-card!

**Blaze Pizza Fundraising:**October 7th, time TBD

**Panda Express Fundraising:**October 20th, 5pm-11pm

**MSU Day at the Zoo‼!**

- October 1st at Potter Park Zoo from 9 am to close.

- Coincides with Tailgate with the Animals (Facebook event)

- Michigan State and Michigan enrichment theme

- Students and children of students get in FOR FREE‼ Just show your MSU ID.

**Services and Outreach Meeting Minutes - Emma and Julie**

**CAHS (Capital Area Humane Society) orientations**

Open orientations Wednesday, November 1st from 5:30-7:30 pm

Sign up now! They fill fast.  Please sign up on their website <https://cahs-lansing.org/get-involved/volunteer/>

If you plan to attend one of these orientation dates, please put your name and information in this sign-up sheet, so we can arrange rides. <https://docs.google.com/.../1E_CcRQC_Xlm6yaHCevGIAibaCQ>…/edit…

If you previously attended an orientation at CAHS, you will need to fill out a form and pay about $10 for a new volunteer shirt before volunteering again. If you have not volunteered for over a year, you must attend another orientation.

**Ingham County Animal Shelter**

You can also volunteer at this shelter for credit, though we will be focusing more on CAHS this semester.

    Orientations

       Tuesday, October 3rd @ 6:15 pm

       Saturday, November 4th @ 9:45 am

       Tuesday, December 5th @ 6:15 pm

**Wildside (rehab center) volunteering**

Can be done independently

Volunteer twice for 1 credit

Talk to Amanda (our vice president) for more information

**Beekman Therapeutic Riding Center**

Must attend an orientation and fill out two forms

<https://www.beekmanriding.org/volunteering>

Volunteers may lead the horses (if they have previous experience with horses), spot riders, or walk along the horses.

**Mid-Michigan Cat Rescue**

Orientations are 11:30 a.m. every Saturday and 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday at the main foster house located in Dimondale

You must fill out a form prior to attending orientation

<http://midmichigancatrescue.org/becoming_vol.php>

More information to come!

**Boo at the Zoo at Potter Park Zoo**

Weekends Oct 14th and 15th, Oct 21st and 22nd, and Oct 28th and 29th

Shifts are 11:30-2:45 and 2:15-5:30

Sign up at the meetings or by emailing Julie at the ZSA email with Boo at the Zoo in the subject heading and include your name, email, and whether you can drive

You can sign up as a **Potter Park Zoo volunteer** to get updates about the animals and volunteer opportunities. The form will be shared on the ZSA Facebook page. There is no time commitment for volunteers!

**Job Opportunities/Research**

- Check out Venture.com of MSU Handshake for research jobs!

If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact us!

Best of luck on upcoming exams!!!!

-ZSA Eboard

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