

Hey, everyone:

This past week's slideshow theme was about bonobos and love! We also had a Potter Park Zoo presentation where Julie and Mariah showed us a white belly rat, a bearded dragon, a red tail boa, a mediterranean tortoise, a domestic rabbit, and a european ferret!

Today happens to be World Bonobo Day! - <https://bonoboproject.org/save-the-bonobo/world-bonobo-day/>
Eliza wants you to know that you can go to this website <https://bonobos.com/> to purchase a limited edition t-shirt. The proceeds will go to the Bonobo Project and conservation partners in Congo!

Opportunities in Zoology!

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

Start your membership for 2018!

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 Bags with the Profs

Tuesdays in room 206c of Natural Sciences

Noon to 1 pm.

Come chat with some advisors and staff in a casual setting!

Recycle for Rainforests!

- Bring in your old phones!

We'll be collecting them until **February 27th!**

Then we'll be sending them to a recycling center, and the proceeds will be going to Minnesota Zoo Foundation to support wildlife! They are currently raising money for the AZA Ape TAG Conservation Initiative!

How to Donate:

1. Make sure you have discontinued service on the phone(s)
2. Remove the SIM card
3. Erase all personal data from your phone(s) by performing a "factory reset." If you do not know how to clear your device just google the make/model and the words "factory reset" or call ECO-CELL at (888)326-3357 if you need help.
4. Turn your phone(s) off, if the phone's battery is still charged.

Upcoming Events!

Yankee Candle Fundraiser

February 10th to March 10th!

Winner gets a \$50 giftcard!

Be sure to check the entire catalogue as they have items for every price range!

WILDSIDE Rehabilitation Center

Tour and work hard!

The beaver pond needs cleaning and de-icing, need about 10 people max! Will do when the weather is okay!
The possible 2 dates are February 24th OR March 17th (If interested check the facebook page for a signup)
Be able to get down and dirty and use a sledgehammer!

MSU Science Festival with the MSU Museum

April 21st from 6-8 pm

Opportunity for 3-4 ZSA students to set up an activity station

- Get to come up with your own activity
- Relate the booth to science and "To the Future and Back" theme.

Let Emma know if you're interested!

Spring Trip!

We'll be going to Cincinnati, Ohio to check out the Cincinnati Zoo and the Newport Aquarium is right across the river!
The overnight is Friday, April 6th, at 6:45 pm.!

The sign up is now on **Facebook** - (please email us if you don't have fb, so we can send a link.)

Cost for Active Members: \$50

Cost for General Members: \$60

Hotel is an extra cost (we'll get prices on this soon).

Newport is an extra cost (depending on numbers we might be able to get a group rate though! Woo! Shark rays!)

You **MUST** sign up by **February 27th**, and the payment is due **March 2nd**.

Happy Valentine's Day!

Nora

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