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This month's Exploration Day – Get Out and Play Day

ABILENE, TEXAS –Saturday, May 30, will be the first day of school break, and the zoo is celebrating with a big Exploration Day: Get Out and Play Day.

From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Abilene Zoo's staff and guest organizations will offer a slate of outdoor activities and ideas for summer. One group will give away free bicycle helmets while supplies last, while other groups will provide games and educational pursuits. The zoo also will open its new fresh lemonade stand this weekend.

“This event is all about getting people involved with outdoor activities,” explains Abilene Zoo Educator Paige Rudasics. “We will have more than eight different outside organizations at the zoo putting on activities such as: archery, garden crafts, nature art stations, and many more. We hope that families will leave with plenty of ideas about how they can get out and play this summer!”

The event is free with zoo admission.

While visiting, be sure to check out the progress on the new Giraffe Safari exhibit!

About the Abilene Zoo:

The Abilene Zoo is home to more than 900 animals of 250 different species. The zoo is open 7 days a week (closed Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day) from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Last admittance is 4 p.m. Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$3.50 for children ages 3-12, \$5 for seniors aged 60+. Members are admitted free. Memberships start at \$30.

www.abilenezoo.org. 325-676-6085. This summer, the zoo will be open every Thursday until 9 p.m.

Mission Statement: *The Abilene Zoo is a place of learning and adventure, where families make memories, share the joy of discovery and become inspired to preserve wildlife.*