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Trick-or-Treat at the Toledo Zoo

TOLEDO, Ohio –It has been said, when witches go riding and black cats are seen, the moon laughs and whispers, tis near Halloween. The Halloween fun starts on Thursday, October 19, with the first day of Little Boo at the Zoo. This two day event is the pre-school dinosaurs’ and doctors’ chance to delight without the fright! Toddlers and pre-school aged children are invited to wear their Halloween costumes, trick-or-treat throughout the Zoo and enjoy crafts, puppet shows, strolling magic and games sized just for them. A special feature this year is the free photo opportunities with everyone’s favorite princesses and other beloved characters! The festivities run from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. on Thursday, October 19, and Friday, October 20.

That weekend the Halloween spirit is in full “force” for Pumpkin Path, sponsored by Meijer, on Saturday, October 21 and Sunday, October 22. This event runs from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. both days. In addition to costumed trick-or-treating for all ages, there will also be games, artistic pumpkin carving demonstrations, bounce houses and magic shows to entertain all the witches and werewolves! Also being featured again this year, is a free photo opportunity with the ever-popular Star Wars’ characters, compliments of the 501st Garrison and the Rebel Legion from Ohio and Great Lakes.

For Toledo Zoo members, one-day admission tickets to Little Boo or Pumpkin Path are \$7 for all children who wish to participate in the trick-or-treating. (Those not participating in trick-or-treating are covered under their membership and receive free admission.) Tickets for non-members are \$16 for adults and children and \$13 for seniors.

To help support of the Zoo’s mission of inspiring others to join us in conserving the natural world, please be a conservation maven and bring re-usable containers to collect treats. As in years past, featured treats are made with sustainably produced palm oil to aid in orangutan habitat preservation. Additionally, the Toledo Zoo is proud to support the teal pumpkin initiative by offering alternative treats for children with food allergies.

The Toledo Zoo “witches” you a happy and safe Halloween!

The Zoo is open daily at 10 a.m. and is located on the Anthony Wayne Trail (US 25), four miles south of downtown Toledo. For more information, please visit toledozoo.org or call 419-385-4040. Lucas County residents are admitted free of charge on non-holiday Mondays from 10 a.m. - noon. Valid ID showing proof of residency is required. *Submitted by: Kim Haddix*

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