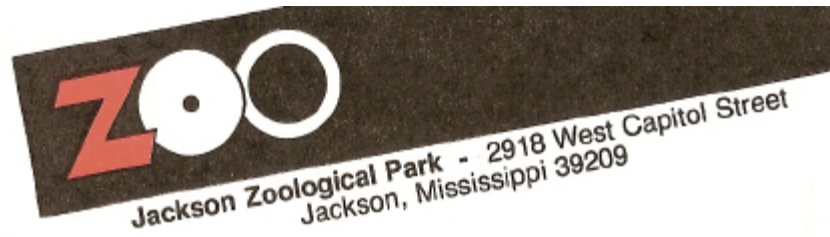


# NEWS



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## Have Breakfast with the Animals this Saturday

The Jackson Zoo invites you to come have Breakfast with the Animals, Saturday, June 9, 2007 from 8:30 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. The Elephant House café will have various breakfast items for sale, while supplies last.

Zookeepers will be providing breakfast to the animals, and provide a unique opportunity for visitors to learn more about various animals' diets, behavior and personalities. Children can also enjoy animal ambassador programs and a coloring table.

While you're here, check out some of the newest editions to the zoo family, including infant **Diana Guenon** and **Schmidt's Monkeys**, **Canvass Back Ducklings**, a week-old **Klipspringer**, a young **Dama Gazelle**, a dozen or so baby **Prairie Dogs**, and much more!

The Jackson Zoo was recently named **Travel Attraction of the Year** by the Mississippi Tourism Association and is dedicated to its mission, to provide visitors with a quality recreational and educational environment dedicated to wildlife care and conservation. The new 4-plus acre Wilderness Mississippi was opened in 2006, and last year also marked the unveiling of a new entryway off Capitol Street and renovation of the orangutan exhibit. This year construction of a state-of-the-art Mississippi Discovery Center will begin. The Zoo also plans to make improvements to the elephant, tiger and leopard exhibits.

The Jackson Zoo is accredited by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA). The AZA is America's leading accrediting organization that sets rigorous, professional standards for zoos and aquariums. The AZA is building North America's largest wildlife conservation movement by engaging and inspiring the 143 million annual visitors to its member institutions and their communities to care about and take action to help protect wildlife.

The Jackson Zoo is located at 2918 West Capitol Street and is open daily from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. For more information about the Jackson Zoo, call (601) 352-2581 or visit [www.jacksonzoo.org](http://www.jacksonzoo.org).

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