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**The Birmingham Zoo Offers Military Free Days  
in Honor of Memorial Day**

BIRMINGHAM, AL – In honor of Memorial Day, all active and retired military and their dependents receive free admission to the Zoo on Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup> through Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup> with valid military identification. All guests are invited to visit the animals, take part in the Zoo's many activities, and explore the Zoo's newest exhibit, Dino Discovery presented by Wells Fargo. This limited-time exhibit gives guests the opportunity to hear dinosaurs roar, see them move and take in a pre-historic experience. Dino Discovery takes guests on an expedition down a trail filled with magnificent creatures that once roamed the earth over 160 million years ago. Other activities include feeding the giraffes at the Kiwanis Giraffe Encounter, learning about the African bull elephants during the Boma Encounter, feeding the lorikeets, enjoying Granny's Butterfly Garden, participating in a pelican feeding and much more.

The Zoo's seasonal shows also begin Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup>. Guests can experience the Red Diamond Sea Lion Splash Show, which features an even closer look at this aquatic species and showcases new behaviors from the Zoo's California sea lions like back

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flips, high jumps and a balancing act. The Wildlife Show, another guest favorite, is an exciting and educational narrated presentation of a variety of animals trained to exhibit their natural behaviors.

Beginning Memorial Day weekend, the Birmingham Zoo will be open daily from 9am to 5pm on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, and from 9am to 7pm for extended summer hours on Tuesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Extended summer hours will end August 18<sup>th</sup>.

The Birmingham Zoo is the only institution in Alabama accredited by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA). Look for the AZA logo whenever visiting a zoo or aquarium for assurance that you are supporting a facility dedicated to providing excellent care for animals, a great experience for you and a better future for all living things.

For more information about the Birmingham Zoo, please visit [www.birminghamzoo.com](http://www.birminghamzoo.com).

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