



**THE GREAT PLAINS ZOO**  
& DELBRIDGE MUSEUM  
OF NATURAL HISTORY

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*Fostering a Greater Understanding of our Natural World*

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## **ZOO TO HOST ANIMAL ENRICHMENT DAY SATURDAY**

The Great Plains Zoo & Delbridge Museum of Natural History invites the public to Animal Enrichment Day on Saturday, July 11 from 1 to 4 p.m. Bring the entire family to observe the unique work going on at the Zoo.

Come and find out how the animal care staff at the Great Plains Zoo encourages the Zoo animals to bring out their wild sides. The purpose of enrichment is to encourage natural behaviors such as foraging, scent marking and hunting.

“Animal enrichment is an essential part of our animal’s daily lives and it’s a high priority for our Zookeepers,” said Elizabeth A. Whealy, President and CEO of the Great Plains Zoo. “Animal Enrichment Day is an opportunity to witness the special work of the Zoo’s Animal Care Staff as well as a chance to see the animals at play.”

Zoo-goers will see an Amur Tiger stalk a cardboard elephant filled with meat or the animals in the Hy-Vee Face-to-Face Farm solve puzzle feeders to get to the fruits and vegetables inside.

Animal Enrichment Day activities are free for Zoo members or with paid admission to the Zoo. Animal enrichments will occur every 30 minutes and will include Asian Cats, Brown Bears, Black Bears, Rhinos and the animals on the Zoo’s African Savannah.

The Great Plains Zoo & Delbridge Museum of Natural History is open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. with gates closing at 6:00 p.m. Visit the Zoo online at [www.greatzoo.org](http://www.greatzoo.org) or call 605-367-7003 for more information about the Zoo and Museum.

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