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MARYLAND ZOO IN BALTIMORE CELEBRATES ARRIVAL OF SPRING WITH ANNUAL MARY SUE CANDIES BUNNY BONANZOO

- Popular event also includes keeper chats, animal enrichment activities -

BALTIMORE, MD – The annual Mary Sue Candies Bunny BonanZOO will take place from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm on March 30, 31 and April 1 (no fooling!) featuring three days of *egg*-cellent fun for all! Children can hunt for eggs in the fields of Waterfowl Lake Pavilion and redeem them for delicious Mary Sue crème egg treats. Bunny BonanZOO also includes games, crafts, the Maryland Zoo's own "Puppet Theater in the Wild" daily at 10:30 am and children's entertainers Silly Goose and Val Smalkin's Musical Zoo performs daily at 1:30 pm.

New this year will be the Maryland 529's Animal Ambassador photo booth. Say cheese - our special spring Ambassadors are sure to bring a smile to everyone's face! Guests who stop by the Maryland 529 photo booth will learn how easy it can be to save for college through the Maryland 529 plans. They can spin the college savings wheel for some cool prizes and enter a raffle to win a \$250 Maryland College Investment Plan. One lucky winner will be drawn each day. Certain restrictions apply; visit maryland529.com for more information and complete sweepstakes rules.

In the Zoo, the focus is on Keeper Chats and animal enrichment. Visit different exhibits throughout the Zoo and watch training sessions, learn about the lives of the animals, or just chat with one of our expert animal keepers! The featured enrichment activities schedule:

- 10:15 am Lion
- 11:00 am Otter (Saturday during keeper chat)
- 11:00 am Bobcat (Sunday during keeper chat)
- 11:00 am Chimp
- 11:30 am Polar Bear and/or Grizzly Bear
- 12:00 pm Hornbill (Friday near the tram)
- 1:30 pm Leopard (Saturday & Sunday)
- 2:00 pm Warthog (Friday & Sunday)
- 2:00 pm Porcupine (Saturday)
- 2:45 pm Lemur
- 3:00 pm Farmyard

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Other activities taking place during the day include special visits from the Easter Bunny, our own Flemish giant rabbits and the hands-on discovery of skulls, feathers, eggs and more at Creature Encounters throughout the day.

The event is free with general Zoo admission and is free for Zoo members, although some activities, such as rides and games, require an additional fee.

About Maryland 529 college savings plans

Please visit www.maryland529.com for an Enrollment Kit, which describes the Maryland College Investment Plan's investment objectives, risks, expenses, costs and fees, and other important information that you should read carefully before investing. If you or your beneficiary live outside of Maryland, you should compare Maryland 529 to any college savings program offered by your home state or your beneficiary's home state, which may offer state tax or other state benefits such as financial aid, scholarship funds, and protection from creditors that are only available for investments in such state's 529 plan. T. Rowe Price Investment Services, Inc., Distributor/Underwriter.

About The Maryland Zoo in Baltimore

Founded in 1876, The Maryland Zoo in Baltimore is the third oldest zoo in the United States and is internationally known for its contributions in conservation and research. More than 1,500 animals are represented in the Zoo's varied natural habitat exhibits such as the award-winning Penguin Coast, Polar Bear Watch, the Maryland Wilderness, African Journey and the Children's Zoo. Situated in Druid Hill Park near downtown Baltimore, the Zoo is accredited by the Association of Zoos & Aquariums. For more information, visit www.marylandzoo.org.