## Paw Prints June 2016





## **Park Updates**

- It is definitely baby animal season. So far, we have 2 new caribou calves, 5 bison calves, 2 big horn sheep lambs, an elk calf and 3 beaver kits. If you want to see some more of the pictures, be sure to look at our Facebook site.
- More animals are on the way. We have a skunk that is just about ready to come out of its' quarantine period
  and we expect some new river otters any day now.
- The zip line is currently open on weekends.
- Welcome to all the new volunteers: Colleen, Sid, Mona, Jennifer, Kerry, Stephanie, Jackie, and Jesselyn.
- Our 5 year AZA inspection will be happening the first full week in June.

## **Odds and Ends**

- Slugfest is upon us! June 25 and 26 mark another weekend of slimy fun and frivolity. We could always use your help for one of the Park's signature special events. Sign up in the volunteer area or e-mail Jessica or Brianne to sign up.
- The next volunteer training is coming up, starting Thursday, June 23. If you know anyone that would like to volunteer, or even if you'd like to brush up on your animal information, just let Dan know and he'll save you a spot.
- Work continues on construction of a new storage pole barn to up near the maintenance building. You may have noticed the large concrete slab where the cargo containers used to be.
- We are hopefully going to have new zoological offices up at the animal ops/quarantine area shortly.



Special thanks to all the volunteers who are helping out with the interpreting on these busy weekends. We really appreciated the help for Bear Awareness Weekend, and of course this busy Memorial Day weekend as well. You all are the best!

## Save the date!

The July 9 Hellyer Center Volunteer Potluck is coming up next month. Pull out those deviled egg recipes and meet us on the deck for a fun afternoon get together! If you have never been, please come on out and share the day.

**Birthdays**: As most of you are aware, June is a very, very busy month. We are all busy preparing for all the festivities, including Heimlich Maneuver Day, Ballpoint Pen Day, National Sauntering Day, Color TV Day, Name Your Poison Day, and National Repeat Day, but please take a moment to say Happy Birthday to these wonderful volunteers. Heck, while you are out card shopping for Insurance Awareness Day, why not pick a card up for them too?







Geneal Palmer June 16

Peggy Behee June 17

Lois Lindt June 25