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Sunday October 20

Editor note: The press is invited to photograph the animals unescorted according to the schedule below. PR staff will not be at the zoo during Pumpkin Bash.

> Boo, pumpkins, and treats for kiddies and animals at Pumpkin Bash presented by First Tech Federal Credit Union October 28-29 at Woodland Park Zoo

WHAT:

On Saturday and Sunday, October 28 and 29, Woodland Park Zoo will be abound with kids in spooktacular costumes trick-or-treating. Animals throughout the zoo, such as hippos, otters, bears, penguins and more, will be gobbling, smashing, and playing with pumpkins and autumn-themed treats at Pumpkin Bash presented by First Tech Federal Credit Union!

During Pumpkin Bash, one child 12 years and under in costume is admitted to the zoo FREE with a paid adult.

The pumpkins and fall-themed treats are part of the zoo's excellent animal care program to help enrich the lives of the zoo's animals. The safe activities help encourage natural animal behavior, keep animals mentally and physically stimulated and provide extraordinary experiences for zoo guests.

WHEN: Saturday-Sunday, October 28-29, 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Pumpkins and goodies for the animals:

Saturday October 28

Saturday, October 28		Sunday, October 29	
10:00	Jaguar	10:00	Tiger
11:00	Rhinos	10:00	Sloth Bears
11:00	Ambassador Animals	10:00	Jaguar
11:00	Komodo Dragon	10:00	African Savanna Aviary
11:30	Coati	10:30	Orangutans
11:30	Red Panda	11:00	Rhinos
11:30	Brown Bears	11:00	Ambassador Animals
1:30	Hippos	11:30	Red Panda
1:30	Warty Pig	11:30	Asian Small-clawed Otters
2:00	Gorillas	11:30	Coati
2:00	Red Ruffed Lemurs (weather permitting)	12:00	Kunekune Pig
		1:00	River Otters
2:00	Ambassador Animals	1:30	Keas
2:30	Pudu	1:30	Brown Bears
2:30	Steer	2:00	Hippos
2:30	Penguins	2:00	Penguins
		2:30	Ring-tailed Lemurs (weather permitting)



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**WHERE:** Enter Woodland Park Zoo through the West Entrance at Phinney Ave. N.

between N. 55th & N. 56th Sts. or South Entrance at N. 50th St. & Fremont

Ave. N.

**INFO:** For Halloween and other sweet occasions, use this treat shopping guide that

will delight trick-or-treaters and save forests and wildlife a world away:

www.zoo.org/palmoil. The list features companies that are committed to sourcing certified sustainable palm oil that is deforestation free.

Many confections include palm oil, the bulk of which is grown in Indonesia and Malaysia. To produce palm oil (the most widely used vegetable oil on the planet), tropical rain forest and peat swamps are being converted to agricultural land, confining the animals that live in these areas to much smaller habitat patches and making them susceptible to poaching and hunting, not to mention competition with other animals for limited resources.

Woodland Park Zoo offers a safe, outdoor experience for all. Zoo hours: 9:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m. daily.

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