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Boo at the Zoo Tickets On Sale

ABILENE, Texas - Advance tickets are now on sale for the Abilene Zoo's biggest event of the year: Boo at the Zoo. The popular Halloween party will take place Saturday, Oct. 28, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. with last admission at 5 p.m.

"It takes dozens of volunteers to throw a party this big, and we are always surprised by the creativity," said event Chairman Ronda Hillis. "Everyone brings great ideas and festive spirits. It's merry not scary."

Guests can wander the zoo and visit Trick or Treat town, an area where organizations host treat stops, young guests can play games, enjoy snacks or burn off sugar while hopping in one of the zoo's three bounce houses. Costume contests will take place in the pavilion every 30 minutes from 10:30 to 3:30 and judges will also award prizes to the best treat stop displays.

To underscore the zoo's mission to encourage conservation, trick-or-treaters are urged to bring their own reusable treat bags to collect candy.

Tickets for Boo at the Zoo cost \$5 for everyone three and older. Advance tickets cost \$4.50 and can be picked up until close of business on October 27th at the Zoo Store and at all Abilene Teachers Federal Credit Union locations, as well as La Voz 93.3 radio, Extreme Exteriors and HispanicLife magazine.

Merchants or organizations interested in hosting a treat stop at Boo at the Zoo can call Development Coordinator Stephanie DeLaGarza at 325-437-4929 or email Stephanie.DeLaGarza@abilenetx.com.

About the Abilene Zoo:

Since its founding in 1966, the Abilene Zoo has stood as a place of learning and adventure. Situated on 16 acres in the award-winning Grover Nelson Park, the zoo has more than 1000 animals of 270 species from around the globe. The zoo is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Last admittance is 4 p.m. The zoo is open until 9 p.m. each Thursday all summer, with last admittance at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$4.50 for children ages 3-12, \$6 for seniors aged 60 and older. Members are admitted free. www.abilenezoo.org. 325-676-6085.

Mission Statement : The Abilene Zoo is a place of learning and adventure, where families make memories, share the joy of discovery and become inspired to preserve wildlife.

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