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Mother's Day at the Washington Park Zoo

All Moms Can Visit The Little Zoo On The Lake FREE on May 8th!

Michigan City, IN (May 2, 2005) - Give your mom a "wild" gift on Mother's Day - a trip to the Washington Park Zoo on the shores of Lake Michigan in Michigan City, Indiana. Moms of all ages will receive FREE entry to the Zoo on Sunday, May 8th, when accompanied by at least one paid entry (child or adult.)

Mom will love visiting the lions, baboon, emus, lizards, zebras, bear, bobcat, and all the other intriguing exhibits at the historic zoo. She'll be interested in exploring the Children's Rotary Castle, a replica of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' logo and one of only three such buildings that exist in the world. Mom will enjoy the beauty of the gardens, tended by Master Gardeners from our area, and the beautiful walkways and benches which were created by WPA crews during the 1930's depression era. The Red Barn Petting Zoo is home to goats, rabbits, horse, llamas, and much more. Inside the Education Center, you and Mom will find interesting displays which provide both education and entertainment. And don't forget to take Mom to the Gift Shop where there are great treasures surrounded by the amazing work of a local artist who has transformed the Shop into a lush natural environment.

Bring Mom and the family to the Washington Park Zoo on Mother's Day for a memorable experience. Don't forget your cameras!

The Zoo is open on May 8th from 10:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. with gates closing at 3 p.m.

*Admission fees: under 2 years - Free; Age 3-11 years - \$2.50;
Ages 12-61 - \$4.50; and Ages 62 and over - \$3.00.*

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