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Seneca Park Zoo announces arrival of two new goats

Beatrice and Bianca will join goats Azuki and Harvey in expanded goat habitat.

October 20, 2020 – **Monroe County Executive Adam Bello** and Seneca Park Zoo officials announce the arrival of two new Nigerian dwarf goats, Beatrice and Bianca. The 3½ year old goats will join Zoo residents Azuki and Harvey in the goat habitat, which was expanded last fall to provide additional space and climbing opportunities. Domestic goats are part of the *A Step into Africa* area at the Zoo to educate and represent that in Africa, people and their livestock need to coexist with apex predators like lions in the same ecosystem.

The goats came from Lollypop Farm, the Humane Society of Greater Rochester, where they were voluntarily surrendered by an owner who could no longer care for them.

County Executive Adam Bello commented, *"It's great to partner with local organizations. We are glad to work with Lollypop Farm to ensure Beatrice and Bianca have a wonderful home here at the Zoo."*

"Azuki and Harvey appear to really enjoy their expanded habitat," commented **Interim Zoo Director David Hamilton**, "*The two additional goats will make the area that much more active. We always like working with our partners at Lollypop Farm. We have a great connection. ."*

" What I love about this partnership with Seneca Park Zoo is that Beatrice and Bianca are going to help expand our community's appreciation for these wonderful animals while receiving the highest quality of care and enrichment every day," said **Joanna Dychton, Farm and Safety Manager for Lollypop Farm.**

It’s been a busy fall at Seneca Park Zoo with the addition of rhino Jiwe last week, and arrival of red panda Willie in September.

The Zoo is open 362 days a year and timed tickets are required. They can be purchased at senecaparkzoo.org.

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Internationally, and in our own backyard, Seneca Park Zoo plays a key role in species survival. Chartered as an educational institution in 1957 by New York State, the Seneca Park Zoo Society plays an integral role in supporting Monroe County, the owners and operators of the Zoo. Together, we are working to bring animals back from the brink of extinction.

Established in 1873, Lollypop Farm is the largest animal welfare organization helping pets and people in the Greater Rochester area. Together with the community, the organization betters the lives of animals through, justice, prevention, and life-saving care. With a main campus in Fairport and four other adoption centers throughout the community, the organization provides shelter, care, and adoption for dogs, cats, small animals, birds, reptiles, horses, and other farm animals. Lollypop Farm is an independent nonprofit organization supported solely through contributions, grants, investments, proceeds from retail sales, and fees for programs and services. For more information and to meet adoptable animals, please visit www.lollypop.org.