



news release

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Memo to Editors: The Bronx Zoo has scheduled a series of special events April 22-26 in connection with the observance of Earth Day, April 22. The theme of the events is "Animal Countdown." It poses the question of whether wild animals can survive man's manipulation of the environment. These events and activities are planned:

1. Free films on ecology will be shown in the zoo's Heads and Horns Building auditorium from 11:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. daily. A different film will be screened at each showing.
2. "Tractor-train" tours featuring endangered species on exhibit at the zoo will be offered. Descriptions of endangered species and their plight will be given over the sound system on each train.
3. Headstones will be placed on the zoo's Baird Court, each headstone representing a species of animal that has become extinct in the last four centuries.
4. Lectures on the plight of wild animals will be given by members of the zoo staff April 26 on Baird Court.
5. A special film on alligator poaching will be shown on a screen over the crocodile pools in the zoo's building for reptiles and amphibians.

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