# ZOO ATLANTA

# ANNUAL REPORT



# ANIMAL BIRTHS

We experienced the elation of the birth of **Jabari**, the first rhino calf ever born at Zoo Atlanta in our 125-year history.



Zoo Atlanta holds the world's only legally-owned zoological collection of **Guatemalan beaded lizards** and is rapidly becoming a leader in the successful reproduction of this species, which is found only in Guatemala's Motagua Valley.



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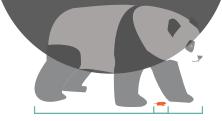
**24-hour** monitoring of Lun Lun and the cubs

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**JABARI** 60 pounds at birth 1/300th of his mother's weight

MEI LUN and MEI HUAN 5 ounces at birth 1/900th of their mother's weight



America's only giant panda twins

MEI LUN AND MEI HUAN Born July 15, 2013 Mei Lun at 6:21 p.m. Mei Huan at 6:23 p.m.

# **GREAT APE BIRTHS**









Andi Western lowland gorilla March 14, 2013

Pelari Bornean orangutan September 14, 2013 Pongo Sumatran orangutan January 10, 2013 We celebrated heartwarming success stories such as the story of Blaze and Pongo the Sumatran orangutans, reunited as mother and son after three months of round-the-clock care by some very determined human caregivers.

# HELPING GORILLAS IN THE WILD





Recycled with proceeds going exclusively to gorilla conservation



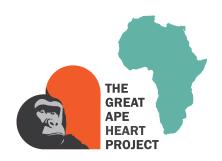
A substance mined in gorilla habitat

Great Ape Heart Project led a team to Limbe Wildlife Center in Cameroon.



## **15 GORILLAS**

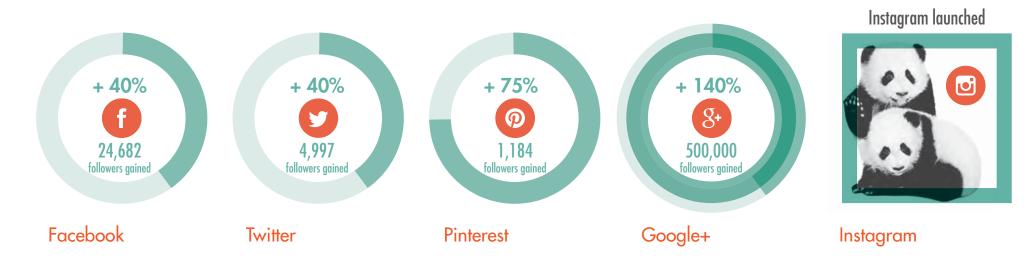
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# SOCIAL MEDIA GROWTH



## A Case Study on Google+

Zoo Atlanta is spearheading Hangouts On Air in classrooms with our Virtual Field Trips in the Connected Classrooms program.

## Making a splash in the morning

The twin giant panda cubs were named Mei Lun (*may loon*) and Mei Huan (*may hwaan*). The names, which originate from a Chinese idiom meaning "something indescribably beautiful and magnificent," were announced via live broadcast on **Good Morning America** on October 23, 2013.

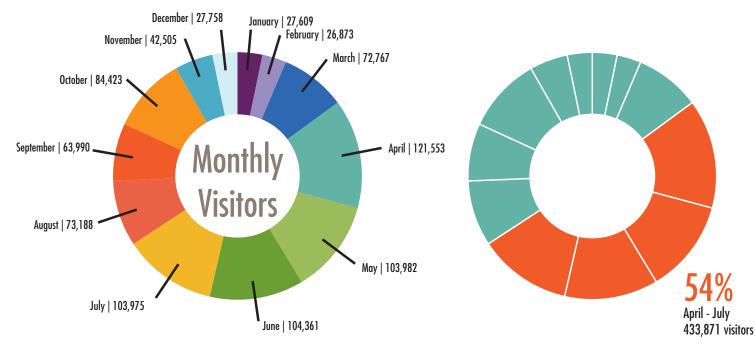


Animal Planet LIVE's Sloth Cam, featuring Zoo Atlanta's own Cocoa, Bonnie and Okra, debuted in October and is incredibly popular with web viewers. Biweekly Sloth Cam Chats followed in 2014. Top YouTube Video



The first 100 Days of Mei Lun and Mei Huan 724,854 views 1,601,474 minutes watched

# **GROWTH & LOOKING FORWARD**





**Total Visitors** 



Membership

# HUMAN HELPING HANDS



Everyone on grounds – be they full-time staff, Volunteers or Volunteens – joined forces to make an impact on the lives of thousands of people.



Students and families reached through education programs



Visitors impacted

## GIRAFFES LOVE LETTUCE

The Twiga Terrace giraffe feeding program sold an impressive amount of lettuce and browse.

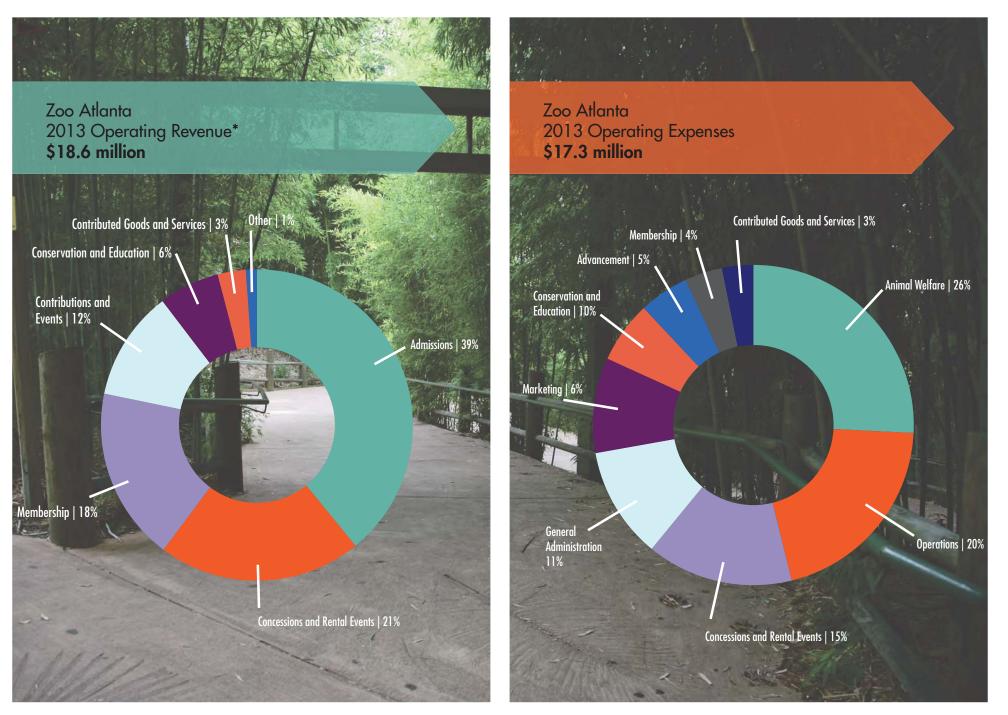
Sales: \$33,290 vs. Budget at \$20,655

Previous year at \$14,015

# **CONSERVATION PROJECTS**

While we continued to exert leadership in our primary centers of excellence - giant pandas, great apes, and reptiles and amphibians - our Mabel Dorn Reeder Conservation Endowment Fund allowed us to make Red pandas Nepal an impact on programs not historically represented in our targeted areas, extending our 2013 support. \$5,000 - Red Panda Network Vulnerable Frost's alligator lizards Clouded leopard and Guatemala wild cats Borneo \$12,650 - Foundation for the Endangered \$4,800 - University Species of Guatemala LOCATION OF PROJECTS Complutense Madrid Critically endangered Vulnerable Black rhinoceros Zimbabwe NEW PROJECTS FOR 2013 | total \$32,400 \$10,000 - International Rhino Foundation/ **EXISTING PROJECTS** Lowveld Rhino Trust Critically endangered

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The four cubs are the second litter for Kiki and Kamau.

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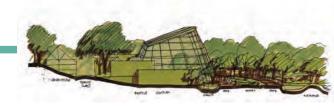
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