

Moments in Time: Milwaukee County Zoo



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1. Jack, a cinnamon bear (a color variation of the North American black bear), was the first bear to be donated to the zoo in 1904. He was housed in the herbivore building until he ate through the barn wall. (Photo courtesy of Milwaukee County Parks)

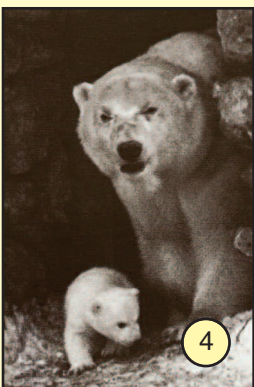
2. In 2005, the feline building was rebuilt. The renovated exhibits provide more room for the animals and allow visitors to view the cats nose-to-nose through glass. (Photo courtesy of the Zoological Society of Milwaukee)



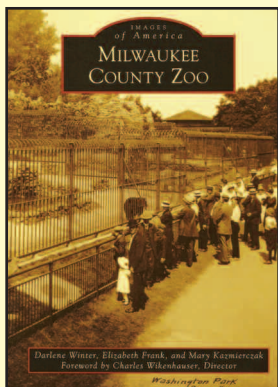
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3. The children's zoo at the Milwaukee County Zoo was completed in 1971. The large-scale animals were, and still are, a favorite with children of all ages. (Photo courtesy of the Milwaukee County Zoo Archives)

4. Sultana the polar bear brought the zoo worldwide fame in 1919 by giving birth to the first polar bear cub to survive in captivity in North America. The cub, named Zero, was born in December when temperatures were near zero. (Photo courtesy of the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel)



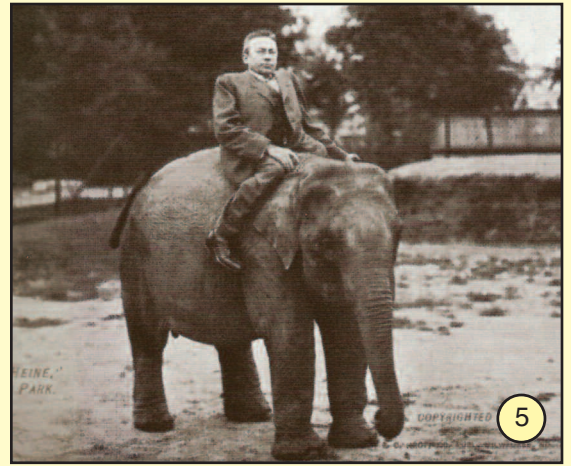
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5. In August 1907, Countess Heine the elephant arrived in Milwaukee. A crowd greeted her at the train station and commenced to parade to the zoo. Animal keeper Edward H. Bean is shown here on Countess Heine.

6. In 1956, the Pfister Hotel played host to "Milwaukee Goes on Safari," a Zoological Society of Milwaukee fundraiser. A number of animals attended. At the event, Bindy the leopard got a little careless while walking on a table, but the guests didn't seem to mind. (Photo courtesy of the Milwaukee County Historical Society)

7. A favorite attraction at the zoo was the chimpanzee Mary Lou, who loved to dine in the fresh air while sitting at a table and being served by the zoo director's secretary, Edward Czarnecki. While accompanied by her keeper, Mary Lou, wearing a dress, would go shopping at Gimbel's Department Store. (Photo courtesy of the Milwaukee County Zoo Archives)



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