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Naples Zoo is for the Birds!

Three Area National Wildlife Refuges Celebrate *International Migratory Bird Day* at Caribbean Gardens

What: Come celebrate International Migratory Bird Day (IMBD) Saturday, May 14 at Caribbean Gardens: The ZOO in Naples. This annual celebration of the incredible journeys of migratory birds will be presented by three area National Wildlife Refuges (NWR): J. N. "Ding" Darling, Florida Panther, and Ten Thousand Islands. These local refuges will be providing free posters and magazines (while supplies last) about the fascinating world of migratory birds as well as information on birding and places to bird like Ding Darling and 10,000 Islands NWR.

There will also be a children's craft and touch table. Plus, guests can explore other ways to help migratory birds like creating bird-friendly landscapes at the zoo's Backyard Wildlife Habitat® or drinking coffee that helps birds. The theme for IMBD 2005 is "Collisions -- Clear the Way for Birds," which explores the hazards to birds from human structures and equipment. Founded in 1993, IMBD is now celebrated in Canada, the U.S., Mexico, and Central America through hundreds of events!

Guests will also enjoy the zoo and botanical garden as well as all the regularly scheduled daily events including the Meet the Keeper Series, Alligator Bay Feeding, and the Primate Expedition Cruise plus the zoo's two feature presentations: *Planet Predator* and *Serpents: Fangs & Fiction* which both feature live animals and exciting wildlife video. More at www.napleszoo.com and www.birdday.org.

When: **Saturday, May 14, 2005**

Where: Caribbean Gardens: The ZOO in Naples
1590 Goodlette-Frank Road across from Coastland Center mall
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