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STORK VISITS SANTA ANA ZOO!

The Santa Ana Zoo in Prentice Park is pleased to announce the birth of a white-face saki monkey on Thursday, May 3. The new baby, whose sex is yet to be determined, has been determined as healthy and full of energy by zoo veterinarian Dr. Lorrie Boldrick. White faced sakis are not common in the tropical rain forests of South America. Although there appears to be no immediate threat to their populations, AZA accredited zoos in the United States are cooperating in breeding so there is no need to import them from the wild.

Adult males are black with a white face. Females are brownish-grey with a narrow white stripe on the face between the inner eye and mouth. Both have long shaggy coats and non-prehensile, bushy tails. Body weight is 3 to 4 pounds. Their body length is 12-16 inches with their tail being about the same length as their body.

In the wild, their diet consists of fruit, berries, seeds, nuts, flowers and leaves. At the Zoo, they eat fruits, vegetables, and a special zoo diet of Monkey Chow. They have large canine teeth for opening nuts and tough fruit. They cup their hands to drink water.

The saki family is on view for the public daily between 10:00AM and 4:00PM at the Santa Ana Zoo in Prentice Park, 1801 E. Chestnut Avenue, Santa Ana, CA 92701. Admission is \$6.00 for adults, \$3.00 for seniors and children 3-12 years. Children under three are free. For more information call 836-4000 or visit our website www.santaanazoo.org.