Introductions between baby giraffe and dad Dave begin

SEATTLE—Woodland Park Zoo's 3-week-old, female giraffe began introductions today with her father, 4-year-old Dave. Introductions took place in the indoor barn and large outdoor corral. Mother Tufani and aunt Olivia were also present during the introduction session. See photos from the introduction session here.

The soon-to-be named baby girl was born June 20 to first-time parents, Tufani and Dave. The birth marked the second viable birth of a giraffe at the zoo since 2013 and the third in 20 years.

The baby giraffe and mom currently have access to the outdoor west corral 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. daily and short periods in the afternoon. See updates by visiting zoo.org/tallestbaby and following #tallestbaby on the zoo's Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

Giraffe fans can help support conservation efforts by visiting Woodland Park Zoo and supporting Wildlife Survival Fund projects, including the Giraffe Conservation Foundation, which seeks to provide the first long-term ecological monitoring effort of the Angolan giraffe an important desert-dwelling giraffe subspecies in northwestern Namibia. Visit www.zoo.org/conservation to learn more about the zoo's conservation partnerships taking place in the Pacific Northwest and around the world.

Zoo summer hours are 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. daily. For information or to become a zoo member, visit www.zoo.org or call 206.548.2500.

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