



## Media Advisory

**To:** All Media  
**Re:** Trespassing on November 1  
**Date:** November 1, 2015

As reported by the Omaha Police Department on November 1, 2015, two people trespassed after-hours at Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium on Halloween night. One of the individuals' hands was injured while on grounds, reportedly by a tiger. The tiger believed to have been involved in the incident was Mai, an 18-year-old, Malayan tiger. The incident is currently under investigation by the Omaha Police Department.

The Omaha Police Department's full statement can be found here:  
<http://opd.ci.omaha.ne.us/press-releases>.

"The safety and security of our guests and animals are always a priority at Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium," said Dennis Pate, Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium's executive director and CEO. "Emergency phone numbers are printed on maps for guests to call in case of an emergency and security staff keep watch on grounds around the clock. We have added security cameras, new path lighting and computer-controlled locks to track exit and entry. Additional path lighting is planned for the new African Grasslands exhibit and more cameras will be installed to monitor the grounds and gates.

Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium is accredited by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums. As one of only 230 accredited zoos and aquariums, the highest standards must be met, including the safety and security for guests and animals in our care. Multiple drills are conducted by Zoo staff annually to ensure a rapid and appropriate response in the event of an emergency.

"We will continue to keep security a top priority for Zoo guests and animals," Pate said.