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Zoo Announces Naming Contest for Baby Chimp

LITTLE ROCK (October 14, 2009) – The public is asked to participate in a naming contest for the Little Rock Zoo’s new baby boy chimpanzee born August 29, 2009 to chimpanzee Mahale.

Applications for the naming contest can be found at www.littlerockzoo.com or can be picked-up at the Zoo’s Safari Trader Gift Shop. All entries must be submitted by 5 p.m. Friday, November 13, 2009. Zoo keepers will select their top three choices and the public will then be asked to vote for their favorite. The top three winners will be announced on November 16, 2009.

Names of African origin are preferred but any submission is welcome.

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