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**TIGER CUB KALI GETS A SPECIAL BIRTHDAY “CAKE,” FROZEN TREATS AND OTHER ENRICHMENTS;
VISITORS CAN ENJOY FREE “CUBCAKES” WHILE SUPPLIES LAST DURING SPECIAL CELEBRATION ON SATURDAY**

TACOMA, Wash. – Tiger cub Kali is a year old, and Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium will celebrate on Saturday with all the hoopla due a member of the endangered Sumatran tiger family.



There will be a giant birthday card for visitors to sign, special treats and enrichments for Kali, and “cubcakes” for visitors while supplies last.

The main festivities and birthday cake for Kali – made from food and treats tigers love – are scheduled at 12:30 p.m. in the Asian Forest Sanctuary of the zoo. Kali also will receive enrichments at other times during the afternoon.

Kali was born on April 17, 2013, to mother Jaya and father Malosi. She weighed only 2.5 pounds at birth.

She now weighs around 130 pounds

Kali is one of six tigers at Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium, five Sumatran tigers and one Malayan tiger. In addition to Kali, Jaya and Malosi, the zoo also is home to Bima, now about 4 years old; Dumai, 20 months old; and Berani, also 20 months old. Bima and Dumai were both born to Jaya at the zoo. Berani, a 20-month-old Malayan tiger, came to Point Defiance Zoo in October 2012 from The Tulsa Zoo.

All activities during Kali’s birthday celebration on Saturday are free with zoo admission.

For more information, go to www.pdza.org.

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Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium, the Northwest’s only combined zoo and aquarium, promotes responsible stewardship of the world’s resources through education, conservation, research and recreational opportunities. The zoo, a division of Metro Parks Tacoma, is accredited by the Association of Zoos & Aquariums (AZA) and the Alliance of Marine Mammal Parks and Aquariums (AMMPA).