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NAME THE GIRAFFE CALF SWEEPSTAKES WINNER ANNOUNCED

Ringgold resident wins opportunity to name Atlanta's tallest baby

- WHO:** Congratulations to one very lucky Georgian on winning the chance of a lifetime! Tami Honeycutt of Ringgold, Ga., has been randomly selected as the Grand Prize Winner of the Name the Giraffe Calf Sweepstakes.
- WHAT:** Honeycutt's name was selected in a random drawing of nearly 1,800 participants who entered the sweepstakes from August 3 through August 10. As part of the Grand Prize, Honeycutt will also enjoy an exclusive VIP behind-the-scenes animal encounter at Zoo Atlanta.

Born to Mona on July 22, 2011, the giraffe calf is now on exhibit daily in her African Plains habitat, which is also shared by her father, Abu; aunt, Glenda; and 1-year-old half sister Zuri, as well as zebras, ostriches and waterbuck.

The calf's naming details are still being finalized at this time; stay tuned for exciting announcements.

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- ABOUT:** **About Zoo Atlanta**
An accredited member of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA), Zoo Atlanta inspires value and preservation of wildlife through a unique mix of education and outdoor family fun. From well-known native wildlife to critically endangered species on the brink of extinction, the Zoo offers memorable close encounters with more than 1,000 animals from around the world. Complex Carnivores, a new series of exhibits featuring bush dogs, fossa and binturong, opened on April 1. Zoo Atlanta is also proud to be one of only four zoos in the U.S. that giant pandas call home: Lun Lun's newest cub, Po, born November 3, 2010, made his public debut in spring 2011. Other highlights include the nation's largest collection of western lowland gorillas, the nation's largest zoological collection of orangutans and a global center of excellence for the care and study of vanishing reptiles and amphibians. The Zoo is open daily with the exceptions of Thanksgiving and Christmas

Day. Keeper talks, interactive wildlife shows, education programs and special events run year-round. For more information, call 404.624.WILD or visit zooatlanta.org.

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