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Young wolf pack finds a new home at the Menominee Park Zoo

OSHKOSH, Wis., November 20, 2020 – Early last summer the Menominee Park Zoo brought in 3



new wolves after the passing of their 17 year old male gray wolf, Thunder. Koa, Okie, and Hula were not siblings and it was hoped they would adapt to their new surroundings and build relationships as a pack. As the summer progressed it became evident these wolves were unable to bond as a pack. Staff and zookeepers have worked with organizations dedicated to conserve and protect wolves for new placement. During these discussions staff became aware of three young gray wolf siblings in need of a home. Born in May, the thought of having three young pups grow up on the shores of Lake Winnebago seemed like the ideal situation.

It is exciting to share with the public that they are adapting to their new surroundings very well. The playful siblings (one male and two females) are enjoying their new spacious habitat. From the looks of the photograph they are quite comfortable in being “king of the hill” at Menominee Park Zoo.

Zookeepers report the pack is lively and fun-loving, and it is certain that they will become a favorite of zoo patrons. Make sure you monitor [Menominee Park’s Facebook page](#) for photos and videos. The exhibit is here for the public to learn about the elusive and intelligent gray wolf – a true icon of the wilderness. Wolves are a natural part of the Wisconsin ecosystem and play an important role in maintaining biological diversity in the region. The wolf population has recovered in the state because of protections. The zoo is looking forward to taking care of these magnificent animals.

For those interested in learning more about the wolves at the zoo, and how to make a donation to Menominee Park Zoo, please follow this link to the Oshkosh Zoological Society’s page about gray wolves: www.oshkoshzoo.org/animals/wolves/. Find information about Menominee Park Zoo at www.ci.oshkosh.wi.us/Parks/. For more information, please contact Anne Schaefer, Marketing and Fund Development Coordinator, at (920) 232-5306 or aschaefer@ci.oshkosh.wi.us.

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