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A climber scales the new wall at the Oregon Zoo.

Zoo Opens New Climbing Wall

The Oregon Zoo's mountain goats have some climbing competition. A new rock-climbing wall opened to the public Saturday near the goats' rocky Cascade Crest habitat just inside the main entrance.

The 24-foot wall can accommodate up to four climbers at a time, with routes to the top ranging from easy to medium for different climbing abilities. The safety harness and auto-belay — an automatic brake-and-release sys-

tem designed to lower climbers to the ground — adjusts based on the weight of the person climbing, from 40 to 250 pounds.

“We think our guests are really going to have fun with it,” said Lisa Thornton, the zoo's admissions manager.

The wall will be open daily, weather permitting with tickets at \$5 or \$4.50 for zoo members. Climbers must wear closed-toe shoes, but beyond that no experience or special gear is required.

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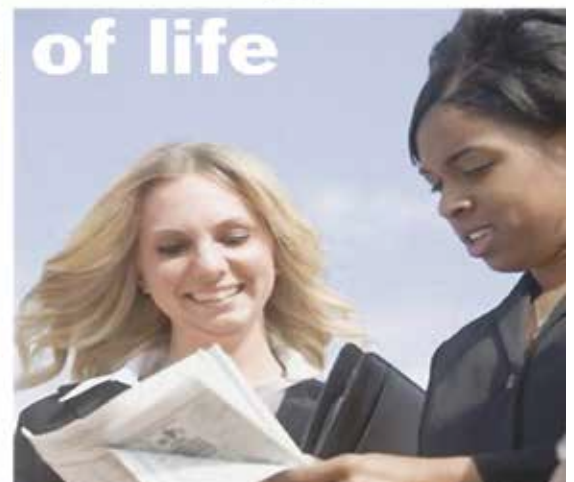
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