

Kettle Moraine State Forest Northern Unit



2016 Summer Programs

Welcome to the Kettle Moraine State Forest - Northern Unit, a unit of the Ice Age National Scientific Reserve. The Kettle Moraine is internationally known for its spectacular glacial features and fascinating diversity of plants and animals. We encourage you to stop in at the Henry S. Reuss Ice Age Visitor Center to learn more about our glacial past and to plan your stay in the Kettle Moraine.

Throughout the year, the forest naturalists present a wide array of fun-filled educational programs. The programs are held at the Ice Age Visitor Center, Mauthe Lake Recreation Area, Long Lake Recreation Area, or at other spots within the forest. There are programs for all interests and age levels. Check out this brochure to find opportunities which pique your fancy. Programs are **free**, but some forest locations do require a Wisconsin State Park System Vehicle Admission Sticker. We look forward to seeing you at one of the upcoming events. For more information about the Kettle Moraine State Forest - Northern Unit or the public programs, please contact the forest staff at the following locations:



Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
Kettle Moraine State Forest - Northern Unit
N1765 County Road G
Campbellsport, WI 53010
(262) 626-2116

Henry S. Reuss Ice Age Visitor Center
Located half mile west of Dundee
N2875 Hwy 67 (not a mailing address)
Campbellsport, WI 53010
(920) 533-8322

An Evening with Nature

Join us for the final program in this season's Evening with Nature Series for people over 10 years old.

Elk Reintroduction in Wisconsin

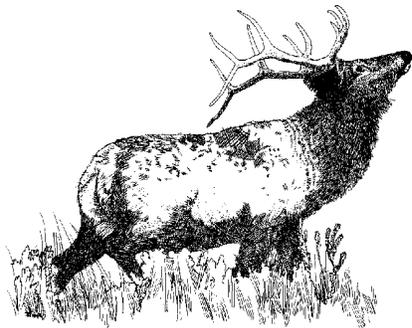
May 12, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Thursday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenters: Tami Ryan

DNR Wildlife Health Section Chief

The bugling elk were historically heard throughout a large portion of Wisconsin. Learn how the Department of Natural Resources and a whole host of partners are reintroducing this magnificent animal back to our state.



Nature Storytimes

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Slither by Snake

May 5, 6:00 - 7:00 pm (Thursday)

May 6, 9:30 - 10:30 am (Friday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

With a fast flicking tongue and no legs, a snake quickly slithers by. Join us as we unravel the mysteries of snakes.

Slow Poke Porcupines

May 19, 6:00 - 7:00 pm (Thursday)

May 20, 9:30 - 10:30 am (Friday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Listen! Do you hear that mumbling? It's a slow-poke porcupine. You'll be surprised as we uncover the amazing facts about these forest dwellers.



Exploring Nature Programs

Everyone is invited to participate in one and a half to two hours of hands-on nature fun. Adults are encouraged to work with their children. These programs are best for families/groups with children ages 6 to 12 years old unless otherwise noted.

Birding the Hot Spots of the Northern Unit Natural Resources Foundation Field Trip

May 7, 8:00 - 11:30 am (Saturday)

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Picnic Shelter

More than 230 bird species have been identified in the Kettle Moraine State Forest - Northern Unit. Travel with the Forest Naturalist to check for all those spring migrants at the birding hot spots of the Northern Unit. This field trip is best for people over 10 years old. Register for this field trip through the Wisconsin Natural Resources Foundation (www.wisconservation.org).

Ice Age at the Beach

May 21, 10:00 - 11:30 am (Saturday)

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

The glaciers have returned to Mauthe Lake! Discover how the glaciers created kames, eskers, kettles, and moraines through fun hands-on activities. Be prepared to get a little wet.



Get Outdoors! Go. . .

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Search for Hidden Treasures: Geocaching

May 14, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm (Saturday)

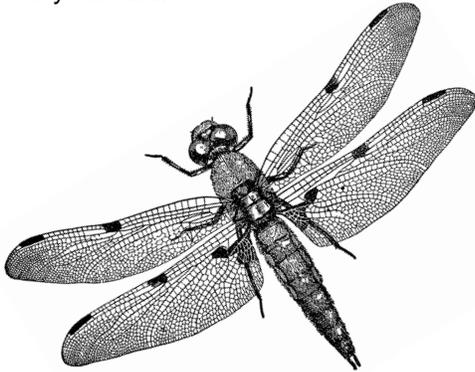
Ice Age Visitor Center

Learn how to use a hand-held GPS device and compass, and how to read a topographic map. Then try your new skills as you search for hidden treasures at selected geocache locations.

Step into the Night Hike

May 27, 8:30 - 10:00 pm (Friday)
Zillmer Trails Area (located off County Road SS
between County Road G and Hwy 67 near New
Prospect)

As the sun sets and the light fades from the sky, the day animals retire and a new group of animals awakens. Bring your bug spray and sense of adventure as we explore the darkness **using all of our senses**. This night hike is best for families/groups with children at least 5 years old.



Extreme Saturday Morning

May 28, 10:00 - 11:00 am (Saturday)
Picnic Shelters at Mauthe Lake and Long Lake
Recreation Areas

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Guided Walking Meditation

May 15, 10:00 - 11:00 am (Sunday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Facilitator: Kimberly Gellings
The Essence Wellness Center

Looking to get your personal Zen on or want to get active with people who have the same interests as you? Join Kimberly as she begins each walk with a quick guided "grounding" and introduction of centering thought/mantra. She will then lead a short hike where the goal is to be observant and mindful of the world around you. Bring a water bottle and dress in comfortable "work-out" clothes. **To register, call (920) 533-8322 by May 14.** Children are welcome and encouraged!

Drop In at the Beach

Drop in on the forest naturalists on Saturday or Sunday afternoon at the Long Lake or Mauthe Lake Recreation Area. They will have artifacts, activities, and answers to your nature and outdoor questions. Come for a few minutes or more than an hour for some nature fun. Adults are encouraged to participate with their children.

Ssssnakes

May 28, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach
May 29, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)
Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

Slithering across the ground with their tongues flicking, snakes arouse our curiosity or on occasion our fears. Uncover some truly astonishing facts about these legless reptiles and the habitats where they live to gain an appreciation of their role in nature.

Summer Saturday Evening Events

Sponsored by Friends of the Kettle Moraine
Meet at the Ice Age Visitor Center or the location listed for informative and entertaining presentations. Forest staff or guest presenters will provide programs on a wide array of topics. These programs are appropriate for people over 8 years old unless otherwise noted.

Keep Wildlife Wild

May 28, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Forest Naturalist

You found an animal that's sick? Injured? Orphaned? Should you help? Find out ways to tell if an animal truly needs your help. If it does, learn the best ways to ensure its survival.



Special Events

Wisconsin's Free Fun Weekend

June 4 and 5 (Saturday and Sunday)

For this weekend admission is free to all properties in the Wisconsin State Park System and no trail passes are required to mountain bike, horseback ride, or bike the Rails-to-Trails state trails. It's also free fishing weekend, so no fishing licenses required. Come enjoy a day in the great outdoors!

Spring into Summer Outdoor Skills Fest

June 5, 12:00 - 3:30 pm (Sunday)

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area

Journey out on Wisconsin State Park System's Open House Weekend to the Spring into Summer Outdoor Skills Fest! Bring the whole family to sample a variety of great outdoor skills including archery, fish casting and identification, tracking, fire building, outdoor cooking, knot tying, geocaching, tent pitching, and signaling. Bring a bandanna to print or purchase one that day. No vehicle admission sticker required since it is Open House Weekend.



Judy Stock Family Concert

Sponsored by Friends of the Kettle Moraine

June 25, 7:00 - 9:00 pm (Saturday)

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area
Picnic Shelter

Join Judy Stock for a fun-filled evening of music and merriment. Judy is a musician for the entire family who is sure to bring a smile to the faces of the young and old alike. This is an outside concert, so remember to bring your blankets and lawn chairs. In the event of inclement weather, the concert will be held at the Ice Age Visitor Center. This program is great for all ages from preschoolers through grandparents.

Nature Storytimes

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Fish Tales

June 2, 6:00 - 7:00 pm (Thursday)

June 3, 9:30 - 10:30 am (Friday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Swim on over for some fun-filled fish activities. We'll even share a fish tale or two.

When I Grow Up

June 16, 6:00 - 7:00 pm (Thursday)

June 17, 9:30 - 10:30 am (Friday)

Ice Age Visitor Center



We know what babies look like when they grow up. But what do goslings, fawns, and polliwogs become when they grow up? Join us as we uncover the answer to that question and more.

Evening Explorations

On the second and fourth Thursdays, we will explore a different nature topic through informative and entertaining presentations provided by the forest naturalist or a guest presenter. Most programs begin at the Ice Age Visitor Center and for some we will car pool to a second location. These programs are best for adults and youth over 12 years old.

In Search of Bats

June 9, 8:00 - 9:30 pm (Thursday)

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Picnic Shelter

Presenter: Heather Kaarakka, DNR Bat Researcher

Join Heather Kaarakka as she shares what bats are found in Wisconsin, the status of their populations, and the effects and spread of white nose syndrome. Then discover firsthand how researchers are learning about northern long-eared bats through mist netting and tagging.

Canoe Adventure

June 23, 6:30 - 8:30 pm (Thursday)

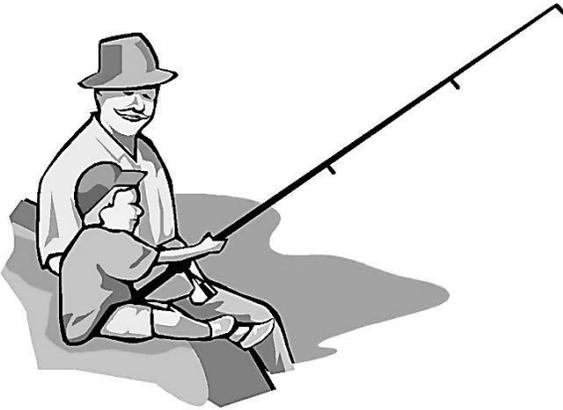
Crooked Lake (located off County Road SS east of New Prospect)

Venture with us by canoe around Crooked Lake. Get a close look at the natural communities within and surrounding the lake including some of the wildlife. Basic canoe skills will be covered. Class limit is 24 to 30 people without canoe equipment. No experience is necessary. In the event of threatening weather, the program will be canceled. **To register, call (920) 533-8322 by June 22.**



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Learn to Fish Rodeo

June 4, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Long Lake Recreation Area Fishing Pier

Let the fishing fun begin! The rodeo includes Backyard Bass Casting, Fill the Tackle Box, Fishing Regulations Quiz, Avoiding Hazards, Knots Tie-up, What's that Fish? and Baiting your Hook. After completing the rodeo, experienced anglers on the fishing pier will help hone your newly acquired skills. Special surprises and prizes await all who participate. Bring your own gear or fishing gear will be provided for those who need it. No fishing license needed since it is Free Fishing Weekend.

Twilight Paddle

Sponsored by Friends of the Kettle Moraine
June 18, 6:30 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Boat Launch

Join us for an evening canoe trip around Mauthe Lake and up the Milwaukee River. As we paddle, we will keep our eyes and ears open for evening birds and other wildlife. Class limit is 24 to 30 people without canoe equipment. Basic canoe skills will be covered. No experience is necessary. In the event of threatening weather, the program will be canceled. **To register, call (920) 533-8322 by June 17.**

Step into the Night Hike

June 3, 8:30 - 10:00 pm (Friday)
Long Lake Recreation Area Picnic Shelter

As the sun sets and the light fades from the sky, the day animals retire and a new group of animals awakens. Bring your bug spray and sense of adventure as we explore the darkness for **nocturnal mammals**. This night hike is best for families/groups with children at least 5 years old.

Extreme Saturday Mornings

June Saturdays, 10:00 - 11:00 am
Picnic Shelters at Mauthe Lake and Long Lake Recreation Areas

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Guided Walking Meditation

June 12 and 26, 10:00 - 11:00 am (Sundays)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Facilitator: Kimberly Gellings
The Essence Wellness Center

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Drop In at the Beach

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"Tree"mendous Trees

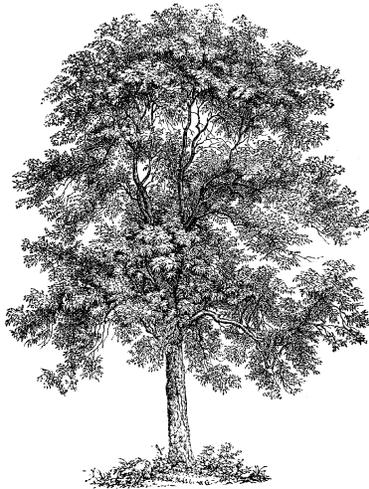
June 11, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

June 12, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)

Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

Stop in to find out how the "tree"mendous trees touch almost all parts of our lives.



Alien Attack

June 18, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)

Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

June 19, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

We're being invaded not by outer space aliens, but by alien plants and animals. Uncover what foreign species are taking over our native communities and what can be done to help control their spread. You will have a chance to make several unique crafts including a smashed-plant bandanna. Bring your own bandanna or purchase one that day for a small fee.

Birds of Prey

June 25, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)

Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

June 26, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

We marvel at hawks, owls, eagles, and falcons soaring overhead. Find out what adaptations make these birds such efficient sky hunters.

Summer Saturday Evening Events

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How Birds Fly

June 4, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Paul Lupton, PhD

Birds, insects, and bats fly ... so do airplanes. Learn how nature solved the challenge of flight and how humans had to unlock its secrets before we could leave the ground. There'll be a special demonstration to help us grasp the simple but important physics of flight.

Those Sly Coyotes and Foxes

June 11, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Dianne Robinson, DNR Wildlife Biologist

Coyotes and foxes are common critters, adapting well to both urban and rural parts of the state. They help keep rodent and rabbit populations in check. But, it can be frightening to see them wander through your backyard. Learn more about these wild canines' biology, myths, facts, and nuisance management.



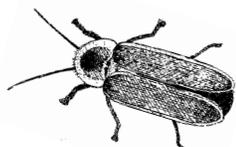
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Nature Storytimes

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Twinkle, Twinkle Little Bug

July 1, 9:30 - 10:30 am (Friday)
July 7, 6:00 - 7:00 pm (Thursday)
Ice Age Visitor Center



Look out your window on a summer evening and you may see twinkling lights floating around your yard. It may seem like magic, but they're fireflies! Find out how fireflies glow and why they do it.

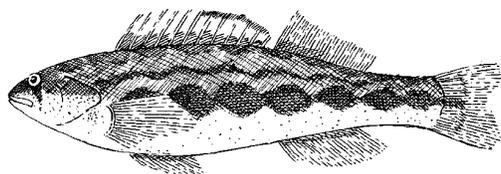
Rainy Day Rainbows

July 15, 9:30 - 10:30 am (Friday)
July 21, 6:00 - 7:00 pm (Thursday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Have you ever seen a rainbow and wondered how it got there? We'll learn the colors of the rainbow and reveal how nature creates this beautiful arch of color.

Evening Explorations

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Wisconsin's Beautiful Non-game Fishes

July 14, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Thursday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Mike Pauers
Curator, Milwaukee Public Museum

When most people think of Wisconsin's fish species, they think of muskies, northern pike, walleyes, yellow perch, bluegills, and the like. But our state's lakes and rivers host a huge variety of other species that often get overlooked. Delve into watery world of non-game beautiful fishes.

Painting in the Park

Sponsored by the Friends of the Kettle Moraine
July 28, 6:00 - 8:30 pm (Thursday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Picnic Shelter

Presenter: Lisa Balkowski
Canvas Painting Around the Bend

Learn the techniques to create your very own 16X20 canvas deer painting. All supplies provided. Bring your own beverages! **To register, call (920)-533-8322 by July 26.** Cost: \$25.00/person; payable to Friends of the Kettle Moraine.

Get Outdoors! Go. . .

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Learn the Outdoor Basics Drop In at the Beach

July 3, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)
Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

Come tie knots, build fires, pack a day pack, keep safe in the sun, follow a map, dress for the weather, and more. You will go away with a better understanding of basic skills for spending time outdoors.

Cook Outdoors Drop In at the Beach

July 16, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Long Lake Recreation Area North Beach
July 17, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area

Brush up on your outdoor cooking skills or learn a new technique. The naturalists will be baking cakes, toasting pudgy pies, and whipping up other tasty treats. You'll be surprised at how easy cooking in the outdoors can be. Fire building and safety will also be covered.

Learn to Kayak

July 23 (Saturday)
9:30 am - 12:00 pm **OR** 1:00 - 3:30 pm
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Boat Launch

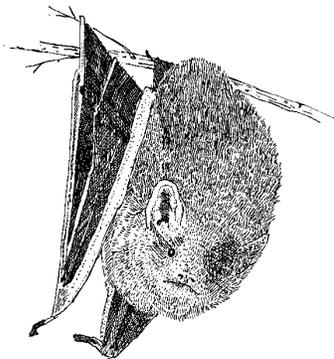


This is the perfect program for people who have never kayaked and would like to learn. Join American Canoe Association instructors to learn the tricks and fun of flat water kayaking. We will kayak around Mauthe Lake and up the Milwaukee River. **To register, call (920) 533-8322 by July 22.** A \$25 deposit must be paid to hold a registration which will be refunded at the workshop. Each session is limited to 16 people. No experience is necessary. The program is for people at least 10 years old. In the event of threatening weather, the program will be canceled.

Step into the Night Hike

July 1, 8:30 - 10:00 pm (Friday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Picnic Shelter

As the sun sets and the light fades from the sky, the day animals retire and a new group of animals awakens. Bring your bug spray and sense of adventure as we search the night sky for **bats**. This hike is best for families/groups with children at least 5 years old.



Extreme Saturday Morning

July Saturdays, 10:00 - 11:00 am
Picnic Shelters at Mauthe Lake and Long Lake Recreation Areas

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Guided Walking Meditation

July 10 and 24 10:00 - 11:00 am (Sundays)
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Hurray Herps!

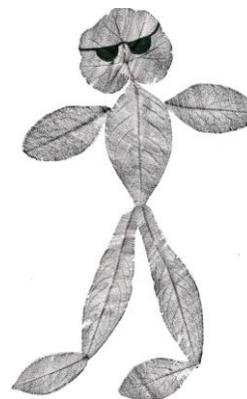
July 2, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

Many snakes, turtles, frogs, toads, and salamanders make Wisconsin their homes. Meet several of these marvelous creatures up close and learn about their unique adaptations.

Creatures of the Night

July 9, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach
July 10, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)
Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

Uncover what animals are awake while we sleep at night and how they are adapted to survive under the cloak of darkness.



Tree Art

July 23, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach
July 24, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)
Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

Come celebrate the wonders of the forest by creating tree art. We will be doing leaf printing, nut stamping, leaf rubbings, and more. For leaf printing, bring a T-shirt or bandanna or purchase one that day.

"Tree"mendous Trees

July 30, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach
July 31, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

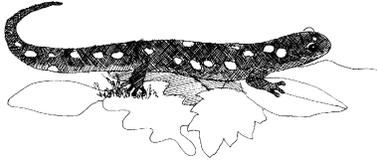
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Dual Life of Frogs, Toads, and Salamanders

July 2, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Randy Hetzel, Naturalist

Wisconsin amphibians are a truly remarkable group of animals splitting their lives between the water and the land. Discover the intriguing life cycle of frogs, toads, and salamanders and what hazards they face. You will have an opportunity to meet many live animals.

Paddling Southern Wisconsin and Northern Illinois

July 9, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Merri and Mark Morrall, Seasoned Paddlers

Take a video excursion down a variety of the best rivers in Southern Wisconsin and Northern Illinois. Join Mark and Merri as they share details about a diverse mix of streams from paddling past sheer cliffs and deep-cut valleys to navigating fast, turbulent creeks or floating peacefully down a lazy river.

Nature Photography with a Point and Shot Camera

July 16, 6:00 - 8:00 pm (Saturday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Jerry Kiesow, Nature Photographer

Frustrated with not getting the shot you want? Can't figure out all those symbols on your digital camera? Join Jerry Kiesow as he unravels the mysteries of a digital point and shoot camera so that you can get those stunning nature photographs. Bring your camera, your owner's manual, and if you have one, a tripod. **To register, call (920) 533-8322 by July 15.** Class size is limited, and geared for people over 10 years old.

Laughing with the Animals

July 23, 7:00 - 8:00 pm (Saturday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: David Stokes, Naturalist/Humorist

Join David Stokes, an award winning naturalist, as he uses riddles, sign-language, puppets, live animals, and things to touch to reveal the uniqueness of a wide variety of critters. Bring the whole family for an evening of laughter and learning.

Archaeology and Native American Heritage of Southeast Wisconsin

July 30, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Gary Henschel, Owner
Henschel's Indian Museum



Gary Henschel will usher listeners back 10,000 years when indigenous people used hand-hewed tools to live off the land and water in the area that is now called the Sheboygan Marsh. Learn about sacred burial rites, and view artifacts and tools unearthed during archaeological digs on the Henschel Homestead farm.

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Beautiful Butterflies

August 4, 6:00 - 7:00 pm (Thursday)

August 5, 9:30 - 10:30 am (Friday)

Ice Age Visitor Center



You are invited to join our play as we act out the amazing life cycle of butterflies. Afterwards, we'll head outside in search of these beautiful insects.

Turtle Magic

August 18, 6:00 - 7:00 pm (Thursday)

August 19, 9:30 - 10:30 am (Friday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Now you see them, now you don't! Turtles have a lot of tricks up their shells. Come uncover their amazing adaptations for yourself.

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How to be an Outdoor Locavore

August 11, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Thursday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Dianne Robinson, DNR Wildlife Biologist

Hunting and wild edible gathering provide opportunities to enjoy the outdoors first hand, make lasting memories, and obtain food for your family while still respecting all of nature. Discover some common wild edibles you can find in your background and discuss different facts and benefits of hunting.

Prairie Life

August 25, 6:30 - 8:00 pm (Thursday)
Ice Age Visitor Center and Jersey Flats

At one time prairies covered much of the southern half of Wisconsin. Journey through the tall grasses to unearth what plants and animals call these remarkable communities home. We will meet at the Ice Age Visitor Center for a short presentation, and then car pool three miles to the Jersey Flats.

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August 28, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)

Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

Come tie knots, build fires, pack a day pack, keep safe in the sun, follow a map, dress for the weather, and more. Everyone will go away with a better understanding of basic skills for enjoying the outdoors.



Step into the Night Hike

August 5, 8:00 - 9:30 pm (Friday)

Long Lake Recreation Area Picnic Shelter

As the sun sets and the light fades from the sky, the day animals retire and a new group of animals awakens. Bring your bug spray and sense of adventure as we explore the darkness **using all of our senses**. This night hike is best for families/groups with children at least 5 years old.



Extreme Saturday Morning

August Saturdays, 10:00 - 11:00 am

Picnic Shelters at Mauthe Lake and Long Lake
Recreation Areas

Calling all youth to explore extremes of nature by participating in the *Wisconsin Explorers* program! The program involves completing a required number of engaging nature activities in one of three age appropriate books (ages 3-5, ages 6-8, and ages 9+) to earn a very cool patch. Get help from a naturalist who will work with youth on activities from one of the first four topic areas of the books.

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Guided Walking Meditation

August 7 and 21, 10:00 - 11:00 am (Sundays)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Facilitator: Kimberly Gellings
The Essence Wellness Center

Looking to get your personal zen on or want to get active with people who have the same interests as you? Join Kimberly as she begins each walk with a quick guided "grounding" and introduction of centering thought/mantra. She will then lead a short hike where the goal is to be observant and mindful of the world around you. Bring a water bottle and dress in comfortable "work-out" clothes. **To register, call (920) 533-8322 by the day before each walk.** Children are welcome and encouraged!

Drop In at the Beach

Drop in on the forest naturalists on Saturday or Sunday afternoon at the Long Lake or Mauthe Lake Recreation Area. They will have artifacts, activities, and answers to your nature and outdoor questions. Come for a few minutes or more than an hour for some nature fun. Adults are encouraged to participate with their children.

Creatures of the Night

August 7, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)
Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

Uncover what animals are awake while we sleep at night and how they are adapted to survive under the cloak of darkness.

Birds of Prey

August 13, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach
August 14, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

We marvel at hawks, owls, eagles, and falcons soaring overhead. Find out what adaptations make these birds such efficient sky hunters.

Alien Attack

August 20, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach
August 21, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

We're being invaded not by outer space aliens, but by alien plants and animals. Uncover what foreign species are taking over our native communities and what can be done to help control their spread. You will have a chance to make several unique crafts including a smashed-plant bandanna. Bring your own bandanna or purchase one that day for a small fee.

Summer Saturday Evening Events

Sponsored by Friends of the Kettle Moraine

Meet at the Ice Age Visitor Center or the location listed for informative and entertaining presentations. Forest staff or guest presenters will provide programs on a wide array of topics. These programs are appropriate for people over 8 years old unless otherwise noted.

Sky Hunters - Birds of Prey

August 6, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Jeannie Lord
Pineview Wildlife Rehabilitation Center



Jeannie Lord and her special guests, several live birds of prey, will share insights into the world of these amazing sky hunters. She will explain their unique adaptations, habitat needs, and threats to their survival.

Plants of the Frontier

August 13, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Kate Redmond, Naturalist

What did people do for food, medicine, building materials, and other necessities of life in the days before grocery, hardware, and department stores? How did they know what to use? Uncover the wonderful secrets and potential that plants hold.



Investigating the Mighty Megafauna of the Ice Age

August 20, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Gaye-Lynn Clyde, Distance Learning Coordinator, Milwaukee Public Museum

Through hands-on activities, learn about the Ice Age megafauna including mastodons and mammoths. Discover how middle/high school students and other citizens are contributing to scientific research.

Birds of the Northern Kettle Moraine

August 27, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Jackie Scharfenberg, Forest Naturalist

Jackie will provide an overview of the area's more than 230 bird species, and reveal the best places to observe birds in the Northern Unit area.

Read & Explore in
Wisconsin State Parks



Hey kids! Need a good nature book to read?

Check out a book from the Long Lake or Mauthe Lake Entrance Station or Ice Age Visitor Center. Reading is a great way to

- End the day after playing outdoors,
- Fill a rainy afternoon, or
- Cool off in the shade.

Visit www.wiparks.net search "read" for more information.



Forest Forever and Fish ParkPacks



Through fun-filled activities, books, and other cool stuff, learn about sustainable forestry in the Forest Forever ParkPack or about fishes and their lake ecosystems in the Fish ParkPack.

ParkPacks are perfect for families and youth groups with children in upper elementary grades. To check out a ParkPack, contact the staff at the Ice Age Visitor Center, (920) 533-8322.



Wisconsin Explorers Exploring the Extremes

Make tracks to the Mauthe Lake or Long Lake Entrance Station or to the Ice Age Visitor Center. Ask for this year's *Wisconsin Explorers* book. Open the book and start investigating the incredible extremes of nature. When you complete the requirements, you earn a colorful patch!

Books are available for three age levels (ages 3-5, ages 6-8, and ages 9+). Get out there and start *Exploring the Extremes* with your favorite adult!

Fishing Tackle Loaner Program



**Borrow a rod.
Keep the memories.**

Rods, reels, and basic tackle are available at Mauthe Lake and Long Lake Entrance Stations and at the Ice Age Visitor Center. There is no cost to borrow the equipment. You will need to provide your own bait and have a Wisconsin fishing license if 16 years old or older. The program is sponsored by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the Kettle Moraine State Forest - Northern Unit.

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