

Kettle Moraine State Forest Northern Unit



2013 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

May 2013

An Evening with Nature

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



Kayak Destinations

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

Presenters: Tom Koeppen and Company
Northeast Wisconsin Paddlers

You own a kayak, but now where do you go to paddle? Join the Northeast Wisconsin (NEW) Paddlers to learn what rivers and lakes in southern Wisconsin and beyond are great kayaking waters.

Beware of the Worm Invasion!

May 9, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Thursday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Bernie Williams
DNR Invasive Species Specialist

Did you know that all earthworms are not native to Wisconsin? Uncover why our state does not have indigenous earthworms and how these legless creatures are impacting the health of our state's plant communities, especially forests.

Nature Storytimes

An hour of nature fun awaits 3 to 6 year olds with accompanying adults. Join us for stories, games, crafts, and songs on the first and third Thursdays or Fridays of each month. Programs will be held at the Ice Age Visitor Center.

Slither by Snake

May 2, 6:00 - 7:00 pm (Thursday)
May 3, 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.

Wild Backyard Neighbors

May 16, 6:00 - 7:00 pm (Thursday)
May 17, 9:30 - 10:30 am (Friday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Leaping squirrels, feeding birds, and marching ants are just a few of the wild animals that call your backyard home. Discover what other critters may be happy to share your yard with you.



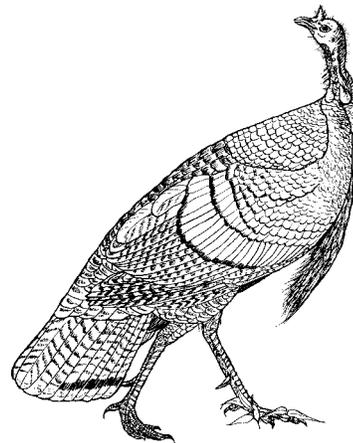
Exploring Nature Programs

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.

Wild Gobblers

May 4, 10:00 - 11:30 am (Saturday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

What's our state's largest woodland bird? The wild turkey of course! After discovering all the incredible adaptations of turkeys, you'll understand why Ben Franklin wanted the turkey to be our national bird instead of the bald eagle.



Spring Journey

May 18, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm (Saturday)
Butler Lake Trail (located off Butler Lake Road east of Division Road near Dundee)

After a long winter slumber, the Earth awakens with an explosion of life. Journey along the 3.1-mile Butler Lake Trail to encounter singing frogs, blooming flowers, flying birds, and all the other things spring has to offer. This program is best for people over 8 years old.

Step into the Night Hike

May 24, 8:30 - 10:00 pm (Friday)
Zillmer Trails Area (located off Cty Rd SS between Cty Rd 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. We will explore the world of the crepuscular (active at dusk and dawn) and nocturnal (active at night) animals. Bring your bug spray and sense of adventure as we explore the darkness for **nature's night lights**. This night hike is best for families/groups with children at least 5 years old.

Extreme Saturday Mornings

May 25, 10:00 - 11:00 am (Saturday)
Picnic Shelters at Mauthe Lake and Long Lake Recreation Areas

Calling all youth to come explore the extremes of nature by participating in the *Wisconsin Explorers* program! The program involves completing a required number of 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.

Get Outdoors! Go. . .

Have you wanted to try a new outdoor skill or brush up on an old one? Then join us for one of our Get Outdoors! Go. . . programs to learn a new skill or two from experienced instructors. These programs are best for people over 8 years old unless otherwise noted.

Search For Hidden Treasures: Geocaching

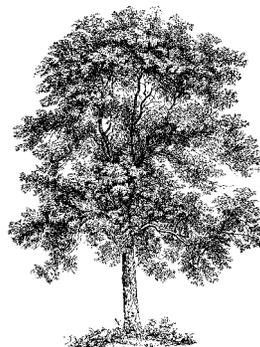
May 11, 9:30 - 11:45 am (Saturday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

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.



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 the children.



"Tree"mendous Trees

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

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

May 26, 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.

Meet the Ranger

May 25, 3:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

Have you ever wondered what a forest ranger's job actually involves? Then come learn more about what they do and the tools they use as part of their duties. Everyone is invited to stop in to meet one of the Northern Unit's law enforcement rangers.

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.

Taste of Nature: Wild Edibles

May 25, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Jackie Scharfenberg, Forest Naturalist

If you know where to look, nature can provide a whole smorgasbord of food. Learn what plants are safe to eat and let your tastebuds decide which are "good" to eat.

Special Events

Free Fishing Weekend

June 1 and 2 (Saturday and Sunday)

Enjoy a weekend of fishing on Wisconsin lakes and streams. No fishing license is required this weekend.

National Trails Day

June 1 (Saturday)

On this Saturday no trail passes are required for Wisconsin State Park System properties to mountain bike, horseback ride or bike the Rails-to-Trails trails.

Wisconsin State Park System Open House

June 2 (Sunday)

Admission is free to all properties in the Wisconsin State Park System. Come enjoy a day in the parks, forests, and recreation areas.

Spring into Summer Nature Fest

June 2, 12:00 - 3:30 pm (Sunday)

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Picnic Shelter

Journey out on Wisconsin State Park System's Open House Day to the Spring into Summer Nature Fest! There will be something for all ages at four different activity stations. Learn about our fascinating fish, flutter away with the insects of colorful scales, discover how to attack those nasty aliens, and create your own fish prints. Bring a T-shirt or bandanna to print or purchase one that day. No vehicle admission sticker required since it is Open House Day.



Family Concert with Randy Peterson

Sponsored by Friends of the Kettle Moraine

June 29, 7:00 - 9:00 pm (Saturday)

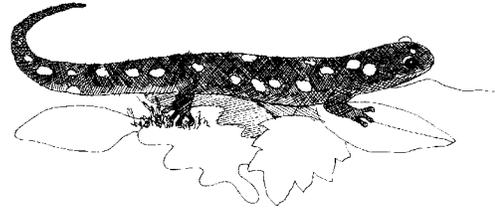
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Picnic Shelter

Randy's catchy original songs have universal

appeal that invite audience participation and spotlight a variety of musical styles – from folk to rock, to reggae, to polka. This is an outdoor concert, so 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.

Outdoor Adventures

Anyone over 12 years old is invited to participate in the Outdoor Adventures. On the second and fourth Thursdays, we will explore a different nature topic and section of the forest. Bring your curiosity and your sense of adventure for these early evening programs. Most programs will begin at the Ice Age Visitor Center and then we will car pool to the program location.



Journey through Spruce Lake Bog

June 13, 6:30 - 8:00 pm (Thursday)

Ice Age Visitor Center and Spruce Lake Bog

Bogs are very special communities with a lot of uncommon plants and animals. Explore Spruce Lake Bog, a National Natural Landmark, for carnivorous plants, "bouncing soils," and rare flowers. Wear old shoes in case you get your feet wet. We will meet at the Ice Age Visitor Center and then car pool the three miles over to Spruce Lake Bog.

Canoe Adventure

June 27, 6:30 - 8:30 pm (Thursday)

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Boat Launch

Venture with us by canoe around Mauthe Lake and up the Milwaukee River. Get a close look at the natural communities within and surrounding the lake and river. Basic canoe skills will be covered. To register, call the Ice Age Visitor Center at (920) 533-8322 by **June 25**. 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.

Nature Storytimes

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Fish Tales

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

June 7, 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 20, 6:00 - 7:00 pm (Thursday)

June 21, 9:30 - 10:30 am (Friday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

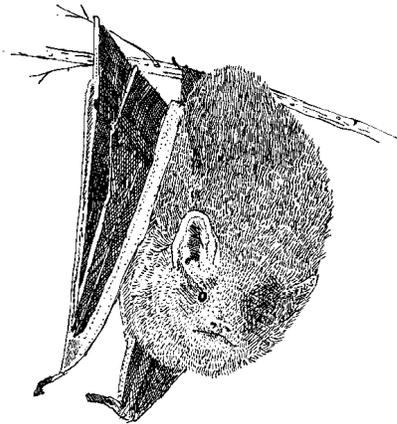
We know what babies look like when they grow up. But what do goslings, fawns, and polliwogs become when they grow up? Join us as we uncover the answer to that question and more.

Step into the Night Hike

June 7, 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. We will explore the world of the crepuscular (active at dusk and dawn) and nocturnal (active at night) animals. Bring your bug spray and sense of adventure as we explore the night sky for **bats**. This night hike is best for families/groups with children at least 5 years old.



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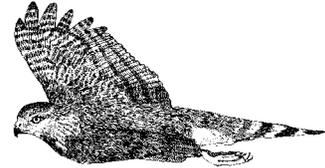
June Saturdays, 10:00 - 11:00 am

Picnic Shelters at Mauthe Lake and Long Lake Recreation Areas

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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 the children.



Birds of Prey

June 8, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

June 9, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)

Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

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

Alien Attack

June 15, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)

Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

June 16, 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.

Ssssnakes

June 22, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

June 23, 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 sometimes 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.

Get Outdoors! Play Day

June 29, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)

Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

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

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

Bring the whole family for an afternoon of nature and outdoor fun! Try your hand at tracking animals, honing your fishing skills, taking the eco-explorer challenge, matching young critters with their parents, creating original nature art, and more.



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Learn to Fish Rodeo

June 1, 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.

Search for Hidden Treasures: Geocaching

June 8, 9:30 - 11:45 am (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.



Twilight Paddle

June 22, 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. To register, call the Ice Age Visitor Center at (920) 533-8322 by **June 20**. 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.

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Birds of Prey

June 1, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Barb Harvey, Raptor Rehabilitator

Barb Harvey and her special guests, several live birds of prey, will share insights into the world of these incredible sky hunters. She will cover some of their unique adaptations, habitat needs and threats to their survival.

Flying Mammals: Bats

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

Presenters: Barbara and Ken Bowman
Bat Conservation of Wisconsin

Bats are often shrouded in mystery and misunderstandings. Join us as we unravel the mysteries and share fascinating facts about these night-time flying mammals. You may even get to meet a live bat up close.

Living Alongside Our Wild Neighbors

June 15, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Pine View Wildlife Rehabilitation Center

Wisconsin is home to many different amazing and unique wildlife species. Through the use of live non-releasable educational animals, learn how we humans can to better coexist with our wild neighbors.

Outdoor Adventures

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Birding by Ear

July 11, 6:30 - 8:00 pm (Thursday)
Ice Age Visitor Center and other Forest Locations

"Konk-la-ree!" What bird said that? We'll traverse the fields and forests to find just what birds are singing. Tricks and tips to identifying birds by their songs and calls will be shared. We will start at the Ice Age Visitor Center and then car pool to several different sites within the forest.

Visit an Old-growth Forest

July 25, 6:30 - 8:00 pm (Thursday)
Ice Age Visitor Center and Haskell Noyes Woods

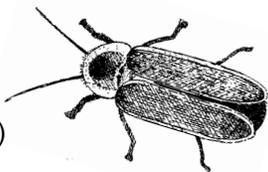
Travel to the interior of an old-growth forest, Haskell Noyes State Natural Area. Learn why large intact old-growth forests need protection, what animals thrive in forest interiors, and what the State Natural Areas Program involves. We will meet at the Ice Age Visitor Center and then car pool the four miles to the Haskell Noyes Woods.

Nature Storytimes

An hour of nature fun awaits 3 to 6 year olds with accompanying adults. Join us for stories, games, crafts, and songs on the first and third Thursdays or Fridays of each month. Programs will be held at the Ice Age Visitor Center.

Twinkle, Twinkle Little Bug

July 4 (Thursday) No Program
July 5, 9:30 - 10:30 am (Friday)
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 18, 6:00 - 7:00 pm (Thursday)
July 19, 9:30 - 10:30 am (Friday)
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.

Step into the Night Hike

July 5, 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. We will explore the world of the crepuscular (active at dusk and dawn) and nocturnal (active at night) animals. Bring your bug spray and sense of adventure as we explore the darkness for **nocturnal insects**. This night hike is best for families/groups with children at least 5 years old.

Extreme Saturday Mornings

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

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Meet the Ranger

July 6, 3:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

Have you ever wondered what a forest ranger's job actually involves? Then come learn more about what they do and the tools they use as part of their duties. Everyone is invited to stop in to meet one the Northern Unit's law enforcement rangers.



Drop In at the Beach

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Tree Art

July 6, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)

Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

July 7, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach



Come celebrate the wonders of the forest by creating some 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.

Outdoor Cooking

July 13, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)

Long Lake Recreation Area North Beach

July 14, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

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

Hurray for Herps!

July 20, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

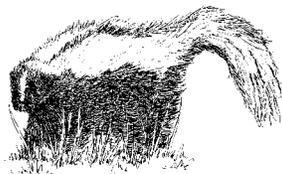
Many snakes, turtles, frogs, toads, and salamanders make Wisconsin their homes. Meet several of these marvelous creatures up close and learn about their unique adaptations.

"Tree"mendous Trees Drop In at the Beach

July 21, 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.



Creatures of the Night

July 28, 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.

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Survive Outdoors

July 6, 6:30 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

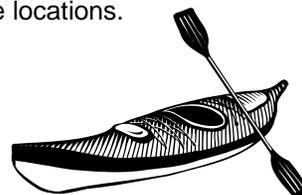
Become skilled at easy techniques to help you survive in the outdoors. Program topics include hike preparations, orienteering compass, simple shelters, water collection, fire building, and rescue aids.

Search for Hidden Treasures: Geocaching

July 13, 9:30 - 11:45 am (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.



Learn to Kayak

July 13 (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 the Ice Age Visitor Center at (920) 533-8322 by **July 11**. Each session is limited to eight people without equipment. 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.

Learn to Fish Rodeo

July 27, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Fishing Pier

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Butterflies of Eastern Wisconsin

July 13, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Dr. Douglas Buege, Vice-president
Southern Wisconsin Butterfly Association

Join Dr. Buege as he enlightens us to the diversity of butterflies found in Eastern Wisconsin - from very common to endangered species. He will introduce the basics of butterflying and explain how people can become citizen scientists so that they can contribute to butterfly ecology via the Internet.

Wisconsin Turtles

July 20, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Randy Hetzel, Naturalist

Wisconsin is home to a wide variety of turtles. Learn the special adaptations of these remarkable reptiles and what habitat requirements they need to survive. You may even have the opportunity to meet some live turtles.



Fisheries' Tools of the Trade

July 27, 6:30 - 8:00 pm (Saturday)

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

Presenter: Travis Motl, DNR Fisheries Biologist

Fyke nets, boom shockers, backpack shockers, and fish tags are a few of the tools fishery biologists use in their jobs. Come see first-hand how these tools are used to determine the health of a lake's fish population.

August 2013

Special Events



Family Concert with the Milwaukee Ukulele Club

Sponsored by Friends of the Kettle Moraine

August 31, 6:30 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Picnic Shelter

Join Lil' Rev and the other members of the Milwaukee Ukulele Club for a great evening of music and merriment for the entire family.

This is an outdoor concert, so bring your blankets and lawn chairs. In the event of inclement weather, the concert will be held at the Ice Age Visitor Center.

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Climb a Kame Outdoor Adventure

August 8, 6:30 - 8:00 pm (Thursday)

Ice Age Visitor Center and Dundee Mountain

After the glaciers melted away, they left behind a very distinctive landscape. Join us as we climb Dundee Mountain to gain a better understanding of how the glaciers created kames, eskers, moraines, kettles, and outwash plains. The trail is one and half miles long and it does require hiking up and down a steep hill. We will meet at the Ice Age Visitor Center and then car pool the three miles to the Dundee Mountain Summit Trail.

Explore the Red Oaks of Greenbush

August 22, 6:30 - 8:00 pm (Thursday)

Greenbush Kettle Parking Lot (located off Kettle Moraine Drive between Hwy 67 and Cty Rd T near Greenbush)

Take an adventure through the Red Oak Habitat Protection Area and Red Oak State Natural Area. Learn how this special forest is being managed and explore the area for its unique resident plants and animals. We will meet at the Greenbush Kettle Parking Lot and then car pool to the State Natural Area.

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Beautiful Butterflies

August 1, 6:00 - 7:00 pm (Thursday)
August 2, 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 15, 6:00 - 7:00 pm (Thursday)
August 16, 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 some of their adaptations for yourself.

Step into the Night Hike

August 2, 8:00 - 9:45 pm (Friday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Picnic Shelter
Theme: night lights
August 30, 8:00 - 9:30 pm (Friday)
Zillmer Trails Area (located off Cty Rd SS between Cty Rd G and Hwy 67 near New Prospect)
Theme: nocturnal insects

As the sun sets and the light fades from the sky, the day animals retire and a new group of animals awakens. We will explore the world of the crepuscular (active at dusk and dawn) and nocturnal (active at night) animals. Bring your bug spray and sense of adventure. This night hike is best for families/groups with children at least 5 years old.

Extreme Saturday

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Picnic Shelters at Mauthe Lake and Long Lake
Recreation Areas

Calling all youth to come explore the extremes of nature by participating in the *Wisconsin Explorers* program! The program involves completing a required number of 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.

Meet the Ranger

August 31, 3:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

Have you ever wondered what a forest ranger's job actually involves? Then come learn more about what they do and the tools they use as part of their duties. Everyone is invited to stop in to meet one of the Northern Unit's law enforcement rangers.

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 the children.

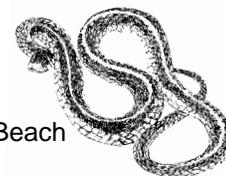
Birds of Prey

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

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

Ssssnakes Drop In at the Beach

August 10, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach
August 11, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach



Slithering across the ground with their tongues flicking, snakes arouse our curiosity or sometimes 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

Tree Art

August 17, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach
August 18, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

Come celebrate the wonders of the forest by creating some 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.

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Get Outdoors! Play Day

August 24, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

August 25, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)

Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

Bring the whole family for an afternoon of nature and outdoor fun! Try your hand at tracking animals, honing your fishing skills, taking the eco-explorer challenge, matching young critters with their parents, creating original nature art, and more.

Alien Attack

August 31, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)

Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

September 1, 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.



Get Outdoors! Go. . .

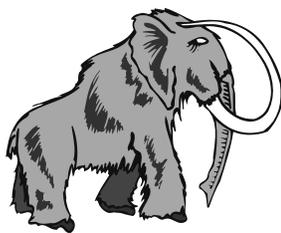
Have you wanted to try a new outdoor skill or brush up on an old one? Then join us for one of our Get Outdoors! Go. . . programs to learn a new skill or two from experienced instructors. These programs are best for people over 8 years old unless otherwise noted.

Search for Hidden Treasures: Geocaching

August 10, 9:30 - 11:45 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.



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.

Nature Up Close

August 3, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Forest Naturalists

Gain a new perspective by taking closer look at nature using a variety of magnifying tools and techniques. You'll be astonished by what we encounter. Bring your camera to capture your unique finds.

Hunting Elephants in Kenosha

August 10, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Kenosha Public Museum

The first residents of southeast Wisconsin were big game hunters. Learn about research conducted by the Kenosha Public Museum to help us understand Paleo-Indians and the mammoths they hunted.

You Too Can Be a Scientist through Citizen Based Monitor

August 17, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Owen Boyle

DNR Citizen Based Monitoring Coordinator

What is citizen based monitor? It is citizens and scientists working together to monitor and evaluate Wisconsin's natural resources, from plants and animals to water, weather, and soils. Find out how easy it is to become a citizen scientist by joining one or more of the wide range of projects found throughout our state.



Whoopers and Sandhills: Wisconsin's Cranes

August 24, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: International Crane Foundation

Whooping and sandhill cranes both call Wisconsin home. The whooping crane is one the most endangered cranes of the world while sandhills the most abundant. Learn about their fascinating life histories and specific habitat requirements, and how people can help them to survive.

Summer Star Gazing

August 31, 8:45 - 11:00 pm (Saturday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Northern Cross Science Foundation

Look through a telescope or binoculars to bring into focus the wonders of the night sky. With the help of experienced night sky observers, spy distant planets, dumb-bell nebulas, globular clusters, and so much more. The program will be held only if the skies are clear. Drop in any time and stay as long as you like.

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 discovering the amazing 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. The program is sponsored by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the Kettle Moraine State Forest - Northern Unit.

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