

CALENDAR PROGRAMS & EVENTS

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Programs are subject to cancellation.

Visit website for updates: parks.ewashtenaw.org.

-  Nature Program
-  Cultural Program
-  Special Event
-  Children's Program
-  Vehicle Park Entry Fee
-  Program/Event Fee (all others FREE)
-  Pre-Registration Required at parksonline.ewashtenaw.org




Busy day at Blue Heron Bay Spray Park at Independence Lake Park!




JUNE

Sat, June 3

 **Saturday Morning Bird Walk** | 8-10am
Sharon Short Hills Preserve | Hike through open field, woodland, and shrub habitat to search for birds. Walk is part of our summer breeding bird survey for this property. Wear long pants. (FS)

 **Pollinator Garden Workday & Mini-Hike**
10am-noon | *County Farm Park, Platt Rd. lot*
Learn how to attract butterflies and bees to your own garden. Hike in flowering meadow to identify native wildflowers and bees. Come/stay as long as you like. Bring gloves and a water bottle. (SS)


Sat, June 10

   **Free Fishing** | 10am-noon
Rolling Hills Park, pond near The Lodge | Participate in Michigan's Free Fishing weekend. Poles, bait and instruction available. All ages. No license needed! [Reg. #841001, Section A-10-11am, B-11am-noon](http://Reg.#841001,SectionA-10-11am,B-11am-noon). Max. 15 people per session.


Sun, June 11

   **Free Fishing** | 10am-noon
Independence Lake Park, Beach Center lot | See above. [Reg. #841001, Section C-10-11am, D-11am-noon](http://Reg.#841001,SectionC-10-11am,D-11am-noon). Max. 15 people per session.

Sat, June 17




   **Summer Block Party** | *Rolling Hills Park* | Free food, yard games, t-shirt dying, and more. **Pre-registration required.** [Contact richardsa@ewashtenaw.org](http://Contact.richardsa@ewashtenaw.org) or 734-484-9676 x.201.


Sun, June 18

 **Almost Summer Botany Hike** | 2-4pm | *Scio Woods Preserve* | Look for wildflowers, ferns, sedges, trees and more! Bring insect repellent. (FS)




Sat, June 24

 **Saturday Morning Bird Walk** | 8-10am
Kosch Headwaters Preserve | Hike through open field, woodland, and shrub habitat to search for birds. Walk is part of our summer breeding bird survey for this property. Wear long pants. (FS)

   **ASD Swim Day** | 9-11am | *Rolling Hills Water Park* | Children with autism can experience the Water Park in a safe setting.



 **Raising Native Bees** | 2-4pm | *Ypsilanti District Library-Downtown* | Learn techniques for raising bees in your backyard. Build your own bee nesting house with recycled materials. (SS)

Sun, June 25


   **Log Cabin Day** | 1-4pm
Parker Mill Park | Celebrate Michigan's Log Cabin Day! Tour the historic mills and log cabin, and experience some ol' fashion games and chores.

JULY

Sat, July 1



  **Saturday Morning Bird Walk** | 8-10am
Independence Lake Park, disc golf lot
Grassland nesting birds are of special interest on this bird hike. Walk trails through open habitat in the very east portion of the park. Last year bobolinks, meadowlarks, and savanna sparrows were all seen in this area. (FS)

Sat, July 8

 **Between Marsh And Meadow** | 8-10am
Koenn Preserve | Hike from hay fields down into marsh wetlands to search for blueberries, bog flora, and birds. Wear shoes that can get muddy. (SS)


Sun, July 9

 **Hike in a Huron River Floodplain Forest**
10-11:30am | *Parker Mill Park* | Explore where Fleming Creek meets the Huron River. Learn about the plants and animals that live in this habitat. (FS)


  **Mill Tours for Huron River Day**
noon-4pm | *Parker Mill Park*

Mill tours from noon-4pm. (Main event at Gallup Park noon-4pm, details at www.a2gov.org/HRD).


Sat, July 15

 **Exploring Miller-Smith Preserve** | 10-11:30am
Miller-Smith Preserve | Take a mid-summer hike through this quaint preserve to enjoy the varying habitats. (KB)



Sat, July 22

 **Butterflies of Mid-Summer** | 10am-noon
Kosch Headwaters Preserve | Hike to a flowering meadow to look for and identify butterflies. Recommended: hat, water, and closed-toe shoes in case of off-trail looking. (RG)

ONGOING

 **Sharon Mills Tours**
June 4 & 18, July 9 & 23 and Aug 6 & 20
1-4pm | *Sharon Mills Park* | Learn about the mill's varied uses over time with a focus on Henry Ford's influence.

 **Garden Volunteering & Workshops**
See pg. 9 for details.


  **Rolling Hills Water Park & Blue Heron Bay Spray Park at Independence Lake Park** | Open Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day. Visit parks.ewashtenaw.org for info.

AUGUST

Fri-Sun, Aug 4-6

     **Family Camp Out**
Rolling Hills Park | 2-6pm tent set-up | Fishing, nature programs, night hike, and more. 1 or 2 nights. \$7-\$10/person. **Pre-registration required.** [Contact boumar@ewashtenaw.org](mailto:Contact.boumar@ewashtenaw.org) or 734-484-9676 x.203 [Reg. #712300](http://Reg.#712300).




Sun, Aug 6

 **Simply DeVine** | 2-4pm | *DeVine Preserve*
Hike through this beautiful preserve to identify common flora and fauna. Portions of the trail may be very wet and muddy, please dress appropriately. (KB)

Fri-Sun, Aug 11-13


     **Family Camp Out**
Rolling Hills Park | 2-6pm tent set-up | See Aug 4-6 for details.

Sat, Aug 12



   **Perseid Meteor Shower Viewing**
9pm-1am | *Independence Lake Park, Beach Center lot* | Peak viewing night to see the Perseid "shooting stars". Short talk on meteor shower; viewing starting at 9pm. No overnight stays. In the event of cloudy weather, event may be cancelled. [Reg. #841005](http://Reg.#841005). (RG)

Sun, Aug 20

 **Pedal To Pollinators** | 1-4pm
County Farm Park, Platt Rd. lot | Hike with bee experts, tour local pollinator gardens by bike, and enjoy a tomato tasting. All fitness/age levels welcome. In partnership with BeeSafe Ann Arbor and Slow Food Huron Valley. (SS)

 **Summer Ferns** | 2-4pm | *Brauer Preserve*
Hike to wetland habitat near Lake Isabelle to look at the many fern species found. Bring insect repellent/shoes or boots that can get muddy. (FS)





Sun, Aug 27

  **Exploring A Summer Field** | 2-4pm West
Lake Preserve | Explore open habitat. Identify flowers and grasses, collect insects, and more. Long pants and insect repellent recommended. (FS)

SAVE THE DATE!

    **Dog Swim** | Sept 9 & 10
Rolling Hills Water Park

     **Family Camp Out** | Sept 9-10 | *Independ. Lake Park*

    **Colors of Cancer 5K** | Sept 16
11am | *Rolling Hills Park*

    **Big Foot Small Print Trail Run**
Sept 30 | *Independence Lake Park*

Independence Lake Park
(734) 449-4437

Meri Lou Murray
Recreation Center
(734) 971-6355

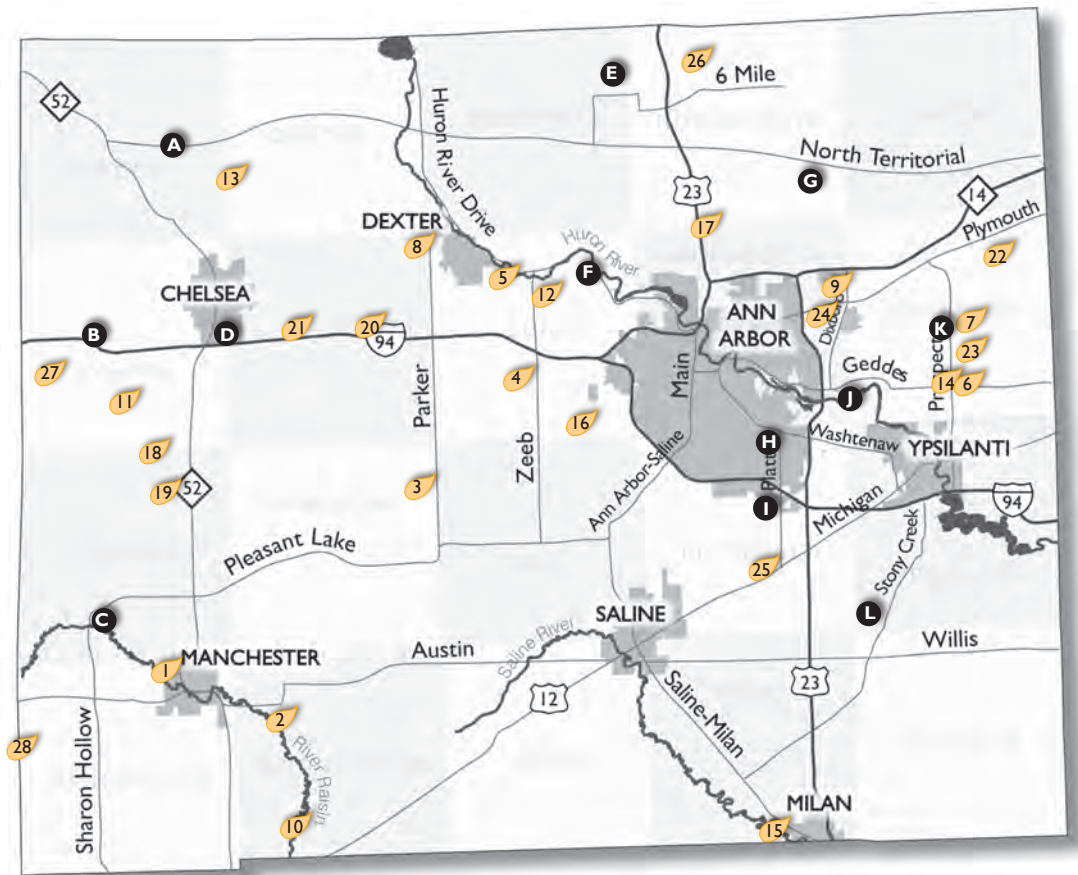
Pierce Lake Golf Course
and Park
(734) 475-5858

Rolling Hills Park
and Water Park
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● Parks & Recreation Facilities

- A. Park Lyndon | 340 acres
- B. Cavanaugh Lake County Park | 59 acres
- C. Sharon Mills County Park | 248 acres
- D. Pierce Lake Golf Course & Park | 232 acres
- E. Independence Lake County Park | 446 acres
-and-
Gosline Preserve* | 40 acres
- F. Osborne Mill Preserve | 39 acres
- G. Park Northfield | 12 acres
- H. Meri Lou Murray Recreation Center
-and-
Nelson Meade County Farm Park | 127 acres
- I. Swift Run Dog Park | 10 acres
- J. Parker Mill County Park | 44 acres
- K. Superior Center Park | 1 acre
- L. Rolling Hills County Park & Water Park
439 acres

● Natural Areas Preservation Program (NAPP)

- 1. Leonard Preserve | 259 acres
- 2. Ervin-Stucki Preserve | 126 acres
- 3. Brauer Preserve | 226 acres
- 4. DeVine Preserve | 157 acres
- 5. Burns-Stokes Preserve | 29 acres
- 6. LeFurge Woods Nature Preserve † | 160 acres
- 7. Kosch Headwaters Preserve | 160 acres
- 8. Albert J. Miller and Robert & Nancy Smith Preserve | 29 acres
- 9. Raymond F. Goodrich Preserve | 48 acres
- 10. Riverbend Preserve | 53 acres
- 11. Squiers Preserve | 55 acres
- 12. Fox Science Preserve | 73 acres
- 13. West Lake Preserve | 217 acres
- 14. Meyer Preserve* | 260 acres
- 15. Draper-Houston Meadows Preserve | 99 acres
- 16. Scio Woods Preserve | 91 acres
- 17. Northfield Woods Preserve/
Arbor Woods Preserve | 81 acres & 22 acres
- 18. Clark & Avis Spike Preserve | 103 acres
- 19. Sharon Short Hills Preserve | 84 acres
- 20. Trinkle Marsh Preserve at Easton Farm
151 acres
- 21. Baker Woods Preserve | 70 acres
- 22. Weatherbee Woods | 84 acres
- 23. Jack R. Smiley Nature Preserve † | 100 acres
- 24. Tom A. Freeman Preserve | 59 acres
- 25. Harwood Heritage Preserve | 16 acres
- 26. Whitmore Lake Preserve | 235 acres
- 27. Herman L. Koenn Preserve | 191 acres
- 28. Watkins Lake State Park & County Preserve
1,122 acres (407 acres owned by WCPARC)

* Public access not available at this time

† Owned by Southeast Michigan Land Conservancy;
portions protected via NAPP



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parks.ewashtenaw.org