



WASHTENAW COUNTY NATURE PROGRAMS JUNE, 2009



Saturday, June 6th – 8 to 10 a.m.

Brauer Preserve – Freedom Twp.

Birding at the Brauer Preserve This hike, led by Faye Stoner, will take us to field, forest, wetland and open water habitat as we look for summer birds of the preserve. Insect repellent recommended. **Bring your own binoculars and field guide if you can.**

Saturday, June 6th - 8 to 10 p.m.

Park Lyndon South – the East Lot

Almost the Strawberry Moon! – Evening Hike and Bonfire

Come for an end-of-the-day hike at Park Lyndon – as we walk, we'll listen for evening sounds of birds and frogs, talk about and look for "night life" and more. Hike is followed by time around a fire, marshmallows provided! Bring insect repellent and something to sit on around the fire. Faye Stoner leads this hike.



Sunday, June 14th - 2 to 4 p.m.

LeFurge Woods Nature Preserve – Superior Twp.

Wildflowers, Trees and Shrubs of LeFurge Faye Stoner leads this hike to look for late wildflowers and learn about some of the woody plants of this beautiful preserve. Bring insect repellent. **Parking lot is located on the east side of Prospect Rd., about ¾ mile north of Geddes.**

Thursday, June 18th - 10:30 a.m. – Nature Fun on Thursdays (for kids of all ages)
Rolling Hills

Who Lives Here? - Poking Around the Pond! Join Faye Stoner for this program to look for and learn about life in the pond – fish, tadpoles, dragonflies, turtles.....what will we find? Nets will be provided, all creatures released at program's end. **Registration required for program today. Park entry fee required at Rolling Hills.**

Saturday, June 20th - 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Independence Lake

Going on a Turtle Hunt!



Faye Stoner will lead a hike to look for turtles in the park, and then the group will head inside for a program to learn more about them. Live turtles will definitely be part of this program, with all turtles being released at end of program time. **Park entry fee required.**

Sunday, June 21st – 1 to 3 p.m.

Leonard Preserve – Manchester Twp.

Summer Prairie Walk Shawn Severance will lead this walk to look for wood lilies and other wildflowers, and to pull some spotted knapweed in the dry sand prairie.

Sunday, June 28th - 1 to 4 p.m.

Parker Mill

Celebrating Michigan Log Cabin Day! Join us for tours of our 1870's log cabin and grist mill, and for several special activities including candle making, a puppet show, games and prizes, tastes of Johnny cake and more. Children invited to dress up in pioneer clothing for this day!



Programs are free, as is park admittance unless noted otherwise. Call 971- 6337 or visit parks.ewashtenaw.org for general info; call/email stonerf@ewashtenaw.org for programs



WASHTENAW COUNTY PARKS INTERPRETIVE PROGRAMS JULY, 2009

Three Thursdays this month July 2nd, 16th, 30th - 10:30 to 11:30 a.m

Nature Fun on Thursdays - Children of all ages invited

July 2nd - Creepy Crawlies at County Farm Park-Medford Lot We'll look for millipedes, ants, snails, and much more. Containers will be provided. Program will conclude with a story. Be sure to come to Medford Entrance!



July 16th - "Fun in the Forest" Scavenger Hunt at Independence Lake Meet at the Beach Center for this woods exploration. Note: Vehicle entry permit required.

July 30th - Wading the Lakeshore at Independence Lake Meet at the boat launch - we'll look for fish, dragonflies, water lilies and more. Note: All participants must wear shoes. Vehicle entry permit required. Faye Stoner is leader for each program.

Saturday, July 11th - 10 a.m. to Noon

Park Lyndon North

All About Butterflies Join naturalist Faye Stoner for this program that includes a brief discussion about butterflies, and time in the field to see butterflies up close. We'll look for butterflies in both open and wooded habitats.



Sunday, July 12th - 10 a.m. to noon

Summer Hike Along the Huron - Celebrating Huron River Day!

Burns-Stokes Preserve

Naturalist Faye Stoner leads this walk to explore along the beautiful Huron!

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Parker Mill

Grist Mill and Log Cabin Open from 1- 4 p.m.

Tours of a Pioneer Grist Mill at 1:00 and 3:00

Sunday, July 12th - 3 p.m.

Parker Mill

Native American Trails Marker Dedication Ceremony The Washtenaw County Historic District Commission and Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission cordially invite members of the public to join them in the dedication of the Native American Trails Marker Project, which recognizes the earliest inhabitants of Washtenaw County and the trail system they created, including trails along the Huron River.

Sunday, July 19th

Sharon Mills - Building open 1 to 4 p.m.

Come and visit this lovely historic site on the River Raisin in the southwest corner of Washtenaw County.



Sunday, July 26th - 2 to 4 p.m.

Park Lyndon South - West Lot

Crossing the Moat - Wetland Botany around Lake Genevieve Join Faye Stoner for this exploration of the bog-like habitat around the lake. Wear shoes that can get wet; hat and insect repellent recommended!

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