



WASHTENAW COUNTY PARKS NATURE PROGRAMS JANUARY, 2012



Sunday, January 8th - 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Independence Lake - Meet at Beach Center

Winter Hike, Potluck and Vacation Sharing For this gathering, consider bringing 15 to 20 images of your favorite vacation to share! Our program will start with a short hike into the lovely mature oak-hickory woods of the park. (We will hike for about 1 hour, but you can wait inside if you prefer.) After the hike we'll head inside for our potluck. Hot drinks will be provided, but please bring your own table setting and a dish to pass.

After eating, we'll share our slides and nature tales, from near and far! Images from Isle Royale and the Flint Hills in Kansas are already "on the program" – where can your photos take us? We can look at hand held photos, we will have an actual old-fashioned slide projector there, and we will also have a computer and powerpoint projector. Of course, bringing images is optional! Call Faye if you have any questions - 734-971-6337, X334.



Saturday, January 21st - 10:30 a.m. to Noon
County Farm Park – Platt Rd. entrance

Nature Stories and a Hike for Kids! (for ages 4 years and older) **Note - Pre-registration is required, call 971-6337, x334.** Stories about nature in winter will be shared inside first, and then the group will head outside for a hike to explore the winter world. We hope for snow, but we will hike even with no snow! After the hike, we will come inside for a hot drink. Shawn Severance will lead this program. **Be sure to come to the Field Operations Bldg. (bldg. closest to the playground!) at the Platt Rd. entrance! Dress for being warm outside!**



Saturday, January 21st - 2 to 3:30 p.m.
County Farm Park – Platt Rd. Entrance

January Field Exploration On this hike we'll head out to the open habitats of County Farm Park to see what we can find; we'll look for winter birds and mammals, look for animal tracks, do some winter wildflower identification, look for berries and interesting seeds and more! Faye Stoner leads this hike. **Be sure to come to the Platt Rd. entrance and meet near the playground! Dress for being warm outside. Hot drinks inside after the hike!**



All programs are free. For more information, visit the parks website at parks.ewashtenaw.org, or call 971-6337, ext. 334, or email at stonerf@ewashtenaw.org