

Kettle Moraine State Forest Northern Unit 2011 Summer Programs



75th Anniversary 1936 - 2011

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 in the forest. There are programs for all interests and age levels. Check out this brochure to find opportunities which pique your fancy. Almost all the 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 Hwy G
Campbellsport, WI 53010
(262) 626-2116

Henry S. Reuss Ice Age Visitor Center
Located off Hwy 67 half mile west of Dundee
(920) 533-8322

Special Events

Tips for Safe Horse Trail Rides

May 21, 9:30 - 11:00 am (Saturday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Join a veterinarian from the Wisconsin Equine Clinic and Hospital as the doctor explains ways to keep you and your horse healthy for trail riding. A few topics to be covered include conditioning, basic first aid, and avoiding trail hazards.



The 12 Hours of Northern Kettles Mountain Biking Challenge

May 28, 8:00 am - 8:00 pm (Saturday)

Greenbush Trails (located off Kettle Moraine Drive between Hwy T and Hwy 67 near Greenbush)

Discover the challenge and camaraderie of endurance mountain biking on the Greenbush Trails. There will be solo classes and team relays that can compete in 12-hour, 6-hour, or 3-hour challenges. This is part of the Wisconsin Endurance Mountain Bike Series (WEMS). Funds raised at this event are used to develop new trails and/or maintain the trails already in use. For complete details, go to www.wemseries.com.

An Evening with Nature

Join us for the final program in this season's Evening with Nature Series for adults and youth more than 10 years old.

Kayak Connections

May 12, 7:00 - 8:45 pm (Thursday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Tom Koeppen and Company
Northeast Wisconsin Paddlers

Have you ever wanted to try kayaking, but were not sure how to get started? Then this program is a must for you! Mr. Koeppen and friends from the Northeast Wisconsin Paddlers will introduce you to the sport of kayaking. They will discuss what gear and skills are needed, where to go kayaking and how to connect with classes and kayaking groups.

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 Fridays of each month.

Programs will be held at the Ice Age Visitor Center starting at 9:30 am.

Incredible Eggs

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

Ice Age Visitor Center



Craaaaaack! What's coming out of the egg? You'll be surprised at all the different creatures that begin their lives as eggs.

Pond Life

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

Ice Age Visitor Center

A pond may seem like a quiet spot until you explore more closely. Find out what animals and plants call ponds their homes.

Journey into Darkness Night Hike

May 27, 8:30 - 10:00 pm (Friday)

Zillmer Trails Area (located off Hwy SS between Hwy 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 darkening world for the birds of the night. Bring your bug spray and sense of adventure. This night hike is best for families/groups with children at least 5 years old.



Saturday Morning Nature Sleuths

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

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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.

Sounds of Spring

May 7, 9:30 - 11:00 am (Saturday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

"Konk-la-ree," "peep, peep, peep," and "twang, twang" are all sounds of spring. Come listen to the clatter of spring and find out what animals are making all the noise and why.

Outdoor Survival

May 14, 9:30 - 11:30 am (Saturday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Oh no! You find yourself lost in the woods. What are you to do? Learn some techniques to help you survive in the outdoors. We will cover trip preparations, easy shelters, water collection, fire building, and rescue aids. This program is best for families/groups with children more than 8 years old.

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 a Feather

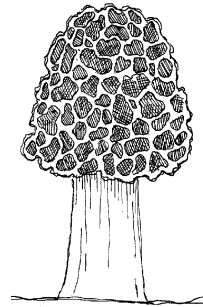
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Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach
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Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

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Meet the Ranger

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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.



Saturday Evening Events

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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 for people more than 8 years old unless otherwise noted.

Taste of Nature: Wild Edibles

May 28, 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 4 and 5 (Saturday and Sunday)

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

National Trails Day

June 4 (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 5 (Sunday)

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

Lake-2-Lake 10K Trail Run/Hike Fun Walk Around Mauthe Lake

June 5, start time 10:00 am (Sunday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area

Join us for the third annual Lake-2-Lake 10K Trail Run/Hike being held on the Lake-to-Lake bike trail between Long Lake and Mauthe Lake. There is also the 2-mile Fun Walk Around Mauthe Lake traversing the Tamarack Trail. The run/hike and walk start at 10:00 am. Registration is from 8:00 to 9:30 am. Cost of the run/hike is \$20/person until May 1, \$25/person between May 2 and May 14, and \$28/person after May 14. The Fun Walk fee is \$12/person or \$40/family. The fee includes an event T-shirt (guaranteed if registered by May 14), a goodie bag and light snacks. Proceeds benefit the Friends of the Kettle Moraine, the Long Lake Preservation Association and the Eden Lions Club. For more information and registration forms go to www.longlakepreservation.org/lake2lake10k; email lake2lake10k@gmail.com; or call 920-533-8322.



Spring Nature Fest

June 5, 10:30 am - 2:30 pm (Sunday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area

Journey out on Wisconsin's State Park System Open House Day to the Spring Nature Fest. Learn about our fascinating fish, take flight with the birds of a feather, discover insects with wings of colorful scales, and create your own tree art. Bring a T-shirt or bandanna to print or purchase one that day.

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Visit an Old-growth Forest

June 9, 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.

Canoe Adventure

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

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Boat Launch

Venture with us by canoe around Mauthe Lake and up part of the Milwaukee River. Get a close look at a flood-plain forest and tamarack swamp. Basic canoe skills will be covered. To register, call the Ice Age Visitor Center at (920) 533-8322 by **June 21**. 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.

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Wiggling Worms

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

Ice Age Visitor Center

What has no legs, lives underground and eats dirt? You guessed it - a worm! Come learn about the secret lives of these wiggling critters.

Home Sweet Home

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

Ice Age Visitor Center

Did you ever wonder what lives underground, in the grass or in a tree? We'll discover where the animals of the Kettle Moraine call home.

Journey into Darkness Night Hike

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

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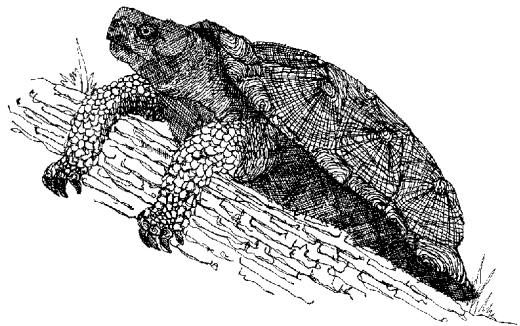
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Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach
June 12, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

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 Sun Celebration

June 18, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach
June 19, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)
Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

Come celebrate the sun reaching its annual zenith. Discover what work the sun can do for us from cooking food to powering a car or flashlight. Create a special solar piece of art. Try a few sun experiments and maybe even get a peek of the sun through a solar scope. There will be something for everyone. Just keep those sunny thoughts.



Hurray for Herps!

June 25, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

Many snakes, turtles, frogs, toads and salamanders make Wisconsin their home. Meet a few of these wondrous creatures up close and learn about their unique adaptations.

Animals of the Forest and City

June 26, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)
Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

Discover what animals feel as comfortable living in the forest as they do in our human populated cities. Pick up tips on how to live with wild animals in urban areas.

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Flying Mammals: Bats

June 4, 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.

Sky Hunters: Birds of Prey

June 11, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Jeannie Lord
Pine View 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 some of their unique adaptations, habitat needs and threats to their survival.

Twilight Paddle

June 18, 6:30 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Boat Launch

Presenter: Jackie Scharfenberg, Forest Naturalist

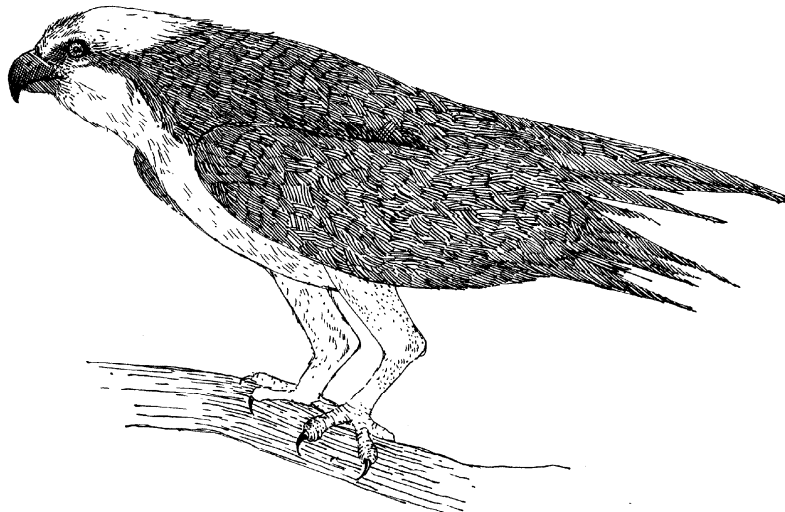
Join us for an evening canoe trip around Mauthe Lake and up the Milwaukee River. As we paddle, we will keep our eyes and ears open for evening birds and other wildlife. To register, call the Ice Age Visitor Center at (920) 533-8322 by **June 16**. Class limit is 24 to 30 people without canoe equipment. Basic canoe skills will be covered. No experience is necessary. In the event of threatening weather, the program will be canceled.

Turtles of Wisconsin

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

Presenters: 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.



Special Events

Kettle Moraine State Forest's 75th Birthday Bash

July 9, 3:00 - 6:30 pm (Saturday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Picnic Shelter

Join in the excitement as we celebrate the Kettle Moraine State Forest turning 75 years old. Try your hand at some fun-filled games and clever crafts from the past. Check out the Kettle Moraine history display. The local 4-H club will be hosting an old-fashioned ice cream social and there's sure to be some birthday cake. All ages are invited to the birthday bash!

Family Concert with Tom Pease

July 9, 7:00 - 9:00 pm (Saturday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Picnic Shelter

Cap off the Kettle Moraine State Forest's 75th Birthday Bash with the music and antics of Tom Pease, a one-of-a-kind performer for all ages. He is sure to get your toes tapping, your mouth singing and your funny bone laughing. This is an outdoor concert, so remember to bring your blankets and lawn chairs. In case of inclement weather, the concert will be held at the Ice Age Visitor Center.

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Journey through Spruce Lake Bog

July 14, 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.

Trees of Many Uses

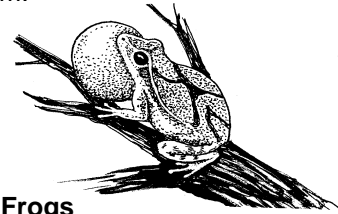
July 28, 6:30 - 8:00 pm (Thursday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Discover tips and tricks to identify trees common to the Kettle Moraine. Then we'll uncover the many uses of each species of tree. We will be walking along the mile-long Moraine Trail.



Nature Storytimes

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Long Jumpers: Frogs

July 1, 9:30 - 10:30 am (Friday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Able to leap over a lily pad in a single bound! A tongue faster than a fly! It's, it's, it's a frog! Learn some truly amazing facts about these long jumpers.

Fluffy, Puffy Clouds

July 15, 9:30 - 10:30 am (Friday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Lay back and watch the clouds float by. Learn how these fluffy, puffy clouds are formed and what may fall from them.

Journey into Darkness Night Hike

July 1, 8:30 - 10:15 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 darkening world for those mysterious night lights. Bring your bug spray and sense of adventure. This night hike is best for families/groups with children at least 5 years old.

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July 2011

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July 2, 1:00 - 2:00 pm (Saturday)
Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

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Learn to Kayak Exploring Nature Programs

July 30 (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 Jen Szama, an American Canoe Association instructor, to learn the tricks and fun of kayaking. We will kayak around Mauthe Lake and up the Milwaukee River. To register, call (920) 533-8322 by **July 27**. Each session is limited to eight people without equipment. No experience is necessary. The program is best for people **more than** 10 years old. In the event of threatening weather, the program will be canceled.

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Wings of Colorful Scales

July 2, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach
July 3, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

On wings of colorful scales, butterflies flutter through the daylight while moths float through the night. You'll be amazed at the lives these incredible insects lead.

Get Outdoors! Family Play Day

July 10, 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, and creating original nature art.

Learn to Fish Rodeo

July 16, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Mauthe 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. People more than 16 years old need a fishing license to fish.



Nature Printing

July 17, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)
Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

Let your artistic energies flow! Using objects from nature, we will print lovely designs on cloth or note cards. Bring a T-shirt or bandanna or purchase one that day.

Outdoor Cooking

July 23, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Long Lake Recreation Area North Beach
July 24, 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 demonstrate fire building/safety.

Birds of a Feather

July 30, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach
July 31, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)
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Creating a Nature Journal

July 2, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenters: Forest Naturalists

A nature journal is a great way to remember your outdoor experiences. Discover some tips on keeping a journal and ways to get started. Afterward, turn your creative energies loose as you make very own hand-bound journal.

Celebrating 75 Years of the Kettle Moraine

July 16, 7:00 - 9:00 pm (Saturday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Picnic Shelter

Come take a trip through time to learn how the Kettle Moraine State Forest began and how it has developed over the years. Find out how various groups and people have partnered with the forest staff to meet the needs of protecting the natural and glacial resources as well as providing a wide array of recreational opportunities for forest users. There will be light refreshments and birthday cake served. This program is most appropriate for those over 10 years old.

Archaeology and Native American Heritage of Southeast Wisconsin

July 23, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Gary Henschel
Owner of Henschel's Indian Museum

Mr. Henschel will usher listeners back 10,000 years when indigenous people used 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.

Searching for Hidden Treasures: Geocaching

July 30, 6:30 - 8:45 pm (Saturday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenters: Wisconsin Geocaching Association and Jackie Scharfenberg, Forest Naturalist

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. This program is best for people over 10 years old.



August 2011

Special Event

Family Concert with Randy Peterson

August 27, 6:30 - 8:30 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.

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An Ice Age Sunset

August 11, 6:30 - 8:00 pm (Thursday)
Parnell Tower Parking Lot (located off Hwy U west of Hwy A)

We will hike to the Ice Age National Scenic Trail to catch a beautiful Ice Age sunset. Along the way we will investigate the surrounding woods and learn of the area's glacial legacy. Make sure to wear sturdy footwear. In the event of threatening weather, the program will be canceled.



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, then car pool three miles to the Jersey Flats.

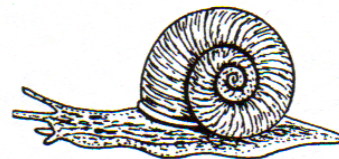
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Going Batty

August 5, 9:30 - 10:30 am (Friday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

We'll enter a bat's world to learn about these nighttime bug eaters and why they are our batty friends.



Slow Moving Snails

August 19, 9:30 - 10:30 am (Friday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Silvery trails in the morning light tell us where the snails have been. Come explore the slow-moving world of the snail.

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August 14, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)
Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach

Discover what animals feel as comfortable living in the forest as they do in our human populated cities. Pick up tips on how to live with wild animals in urban areas.

Summer Sun Celebration

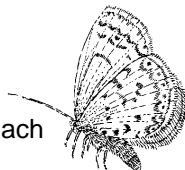
August 20, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach
August 21, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

Come celebrate our sensational sun! Discover what work the sun can do for us from cooking food to powering a car or flashlight. Create a special solar piece of art. Try a few sun experiments and maybe even get a peek of the sun through a solar scope. There will be something for everyone. Just keep those sunny thoughts.

Wings of Colorful Scales

August 27, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (Saturday)
Long Lake Recreation Area South Beach
August 28, 12:00 - 3:00 pm (Sunday)
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Beach

On wings of colorful scales, butterflies flutter through the daylight while moths float through the night. You will be amazed at the lives these incredible insects lead.



Evening Events

Sponsored by the 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 best for people more than 8 years old unless otherwise noted.

Herps: the Jewels and Gems of the Kettle Moraine
August 6, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Gary Casper, Ph.D., Herpetologist

Find out the fascinating stories of the amphibians and reptiles found in the Kettle Moraine State Forest and which live nowhere else in southeastern Wisconsin. Learn what's being done to protect the Forest's critical herp habitat, and how volunteers can help track their populations within the Kettle Moraine.



Birds of the Kettle Moraine
August 13, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: Bill Volkert, Wildlife Educator,
Horicon Marsh State Wildlife Area

More than 230 species of birds have been identified in the Kettle Moraine State Forest - Northern Unit. Join Bill Volkert as he shares insights on how to identify them, and where and when to find them in the Northern Unit.

Whoopers and Sandhills: Wisconsin's Cranes
August 20, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (Saturday)
Ice Age Visitor Center

Presenter: International Crane Foundation

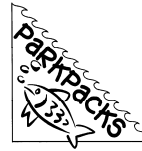
Whooping and sandhill cranes both call Wisconsin home. The whooping crane is one the most endangered cranes of the world while sandhills the most abundant. Learn about their fascinating life histories and specific habitat requirements, and how people can help them to survive.

Get Outdoors - Wisconsin!



The Wisconsin State Park System has an initiative aimed at getting children and families to spend more time outdoors with nature. It's fun, and it's good for you!

For more information visit www.wiparks.net and look for "Get Outdoors! Wisconsin."



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 Solving Mysteries

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 solving some fascinating nature mysteries. 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 *Solving Mysteries* of nature 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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