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### PROPOSED CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Department:** Department of Conservation and Experiential Programming

**Summary:** Forest Preserves of Cook County Calendar: 3/14/2023 - 4/25/2023

Please check the Forest Preserve of Cook County's website for updates and changes.

**Saturday, 3/18; 10am - 12pm**

**Teen Exploration Day: Waterfowl Watch, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington**

Calling all teenage bird-lovers! Borrow binoculars and dive deeper into observing and getting to know the ducks and geese that visit Crabtree. *Ages 13-17 with adult.*

**Saturday, 3/18; 1pm**

**Conservation@Home: Gardening with Native Plants, Sagawau Nature Center, Lemont**

Did you know many native plants provide food for wildlife? Join us for an indoor presentation to learn how to incorporate natives in your garden. *Registration required.*

**Sunday, 3/19; 1:30pm (Program in Polish)**

**Topienie Marzanny, Trailside Museum, River Forest**

Pomóż nam przępedzić Zimę i powitac Wiosnę. Zapraszamy na topienie Marzanny z Trailside Museum of Natural History.

**Sunday, 3/19; 11am - 3pm**

**Maple Syrup Festival, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook**

Celebrate the arrival of spring with a special day of activities including crafts, games, tree tapping and maple syrup history with syrup samples to taste.

**Tuesday, 3/21; 7:30pm**

**New Moon Walk and Telescope Viewing, Little Red Schoolhouse, Willow Springs**

Enjoy an evening walk and get a close-up view of the night sky. Caminata de luna nueva y observación del telescopio. (Programa ofrecido en Español.) *Registration required.*

**Wednesday, 3/22; 11am - 2pm**

**Celebrate Spring Fest, Cummings Square, River Forest**

Build and play with natural materials: make a decorative terrarium, paint a bird house and participate in other kid-friendly activities.

**Monday, 3/27; 9am - 3:30pm**

**Spring Nature Camp, Rolling Knolls, Elgin**

Learn the significance of spring in Native American culture while participating in various activities. *Drop-in. All ages. Presented by Trickster Cultural Center.*

**Wednesday, 3/29; 11am - 2pm**

**Spring Breakout Adventure, Thatcher Woods, River Forest**

Enjoy time out of school with activities including archery, nature play, hikes, and other fun. *Drop-in.*

**Thursday, 3/30; 3:30pm - 6:30pm**

**Teen Exploration Day: Fire Building 101, Camp Sullivan, Oak Forest**

Learn different methods for fire building outdoors. *Registration required.*

**Thursday, 3/30; 1pm**

**Teen Exploration Day: The Botany of Zelda, Trailside Museum, River Forest**

Learn how the fictional plants of Hyrule Forest connect to native plant species of the Forest Preserves of Cook County. Come have fun with botany inspired by the Nintendo game Zelda. *Ages 12 and up. Registration required.*

**Sunday, 4/2; 1pm**

**Radio Telemetry, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington**

Learn about radio telemetry and how it's used to track animals. Try your hand at using radio telemetry equipment.

**Wednesday, 4/5; 5:30pm - 7:30pm**

**Camping 101, Camp Dan Beard, Northbrook**

This is a free workshop covering basic camping skills. *Registration required.*

**Wednesday, 4/5; 10am - 1pm**

**Spring Breakout Adventures, Bunker Hill, Niles**

Spend time in nature while on school break! Try out several outdoor recreation activities. Explore, discover and create!

**Thursday, 4/6; 11am - 2pm**

**Spring Breakout Adventure, Dan Ryan Woods, Chicago**

Spend your time on break, outside! Enjoy a chance to try your hand at several outdoor recreation activities. Explore, discover and create!

**Saturday, 4/8; 8am**

**Fishing Derby, Papoose Lake, Palos Park**

Join the Village of Palos Park and the Forest Preserves for a family-fun day of fishing.

**Wednesday, 4/12; 5:30pm - 7:30pm**

**Weaving Workshop, Swallow Cliff Woods-North, Palos Park**

Create a small wall hanging art piece using natural materials. *Supplies and instruction provided. Ages 10 and up with adult. Registration required.*

**Friday, 4/14; 7pm - 9pm**

**Frog Survey Night Hike, Sandridge Nature Center, South Holland**

Be a community scientist for an evening as we listen for frog calls and other creatures of the night. *Ages 12 and up. Registration required.*

**Saturday, 4/15; 11am - 2pm**

**Animal Supplies Drop ‘n Drive, Miller Meadow-South, Maywood**

Join in helping animals in need by donating supplies. *Drop-off event.*

**Sunday, 4/16; 12pm**

**Chicago Voyagers Adventure Challenge, Busse Woods-South, Arlington Heights**

Help get Chicago youth outside by participating in an adventure obstacle race for the entire family. *Registration required.*

**Friday, 4/21; 3pm - 5pm**

**Earth Day Cleanup, Jerome Huppert Woods, River Grove**

Celebrate Earth Day by helping clean up litter in the Preserves. We will have litter pick up supplies for individuals or families to check-out.

**Friday through Sunday, 4/21 - 4/22; 9:30am - 11:30am**

**Earth Day: Restoration Weekend - Garlic Mustard Pull, Sagawau Nature Center, Lemont**

Celebrate Earth Day by welcoming back native plants and wildlife by pulling invasive garlic mustard.

**Saturday, 4/22; 10am - 12pm**

**Earth Day, Bunker Hill, Niles**

Celebrate Earth Day by doing your part in helping clean up litter in the Preserves. *Litter pick-up supplies for individuals or families available to check-out.*

**Saturday, 4/22; 10am - 2pm**

**Earth Day, Sandridge Nature Center, South Holland**

Celebrate Earth Day with themed games, a self-guided litter cleanup and more.

**Saturday, 4/22; 10am - 1pm**

**Earth Day, Sauk Trail Woods, Chicago Heights**

Help the earth with a litter clean up at your local forest preserve.

**Saturday, 4/22; 10am - 12pm**

**Celebrate Earth Day Activities, Trailside Museum, River Forest**

There are many things you can do to celebrate our beautiful planet Earth. Help us plant a tree, make your very own bird feeder to bring home, pick up litter, and create recycled material art. *Drop-in program for kids and families.*

**Saturday, 4/22; 7pm - 9pm**

**Thankful for the Dark, Little Red Schoolhouse, Willow Springs**

Learn about the importance of dark skies, and then enjoy a leisurely 3-mile hike. *All ages. Registration required.*

**Sunday, 4/23; 12pm - 2pm**

**Build a Beehouse Workshop, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook**

Help your native plants and garden by building a beehouse for local pollinators.

