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### PROPOSED CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

**Summary: Forest Preserves of Cook County Calendar of Events and Activities: 6/27/2023 - 7/17/2023**

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

**Wednesday, 6/28; 6pm - 7:30pm**

**Camping 101, Camp Bullfrog Lake, Willow Springs**

Free workshop covering basic camping skills. *All ages.*

**Thursday, 6/29; 9:30am - 11:30am**

**International Mud Day Celebration, Bunker Hill, Chicago**

Join others around the globe for a morning of splashing, squishing, making mud pies and more! *Dress to get messy. All ages. Grove 2.*

**Thursday, 6/29; 1pm - 3pm**

**Archery, Cherry Hill Woods, Willow Springs**

Attend this session to learn the basics of archery. *Ages 10 and up. Equipment provided.*

**Friday, 6/30; 9am - 12pm**

**Paddle Day, Busse Lake Boating Center, Elk Grove**

Paddlers of all skill levels can experience nature by exploring these waterways. *Group reservations required. Ages 5 and up. Equipment provided. Timed paddles. Meet at South Boat Launch.*

**Saturday, 7/1; 1pm**

**Teen Exploration Day: Red, White and Blue, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington**

Walk along on Bur Edge Trail and try to spot flowers, fruits or animals wearing our national colors! *Teens and their families are welcome.*

**Saturday, 7/1; 8:30pm**

**Bat Monitoring Night Hike, Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center, Willow Springs**

Using monitoring technology, participate in a search for resident bat activity on our trails. *Ages: 12 and up.*

**Sunday, 7/2; 1pm**

**Dragonflies: Nature's Airshow, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont**

Watch the dragonflies acrobatic display at the CCC Quarry. Includes a moderate 1-mile hike to the CCC Quarry. *Registration required. Call 630-257-2045. Ages 12 and up.*

**Sunday, 7/2; 1:30pm**

**Animal Encounter, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook**

Join us for an up-close look at one of our ambassador animals.

**Friday, 7/7; 1pm - 3pm**

**Art in Nature, National Grove, North Riverside**

Explore the symbolism between art in nature. Create land art, write a poem, and make tie dye using fruits and spices. *Drop-in. Grove 1.*

**Friday, 7/7; 8pm**

**Sunset Walk, Trailside Museum, River Forest**

Join us for an evening walk in the woods as the sun sets and the fireflies flash. *Family program.*

**Saturday, 7/8; 10am - 3pm**

**Kids' Fest, Wampum Lake, Thornton Township**

Fishing, canoeing, archery and more! *Registration encouraged. Canoe slots limited.*

**Saturday, 7/8; 11am - 3pm**

**Book Exchange, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland**

Bring gently used books and exchange them for new titles. Enjoy crafts, light refreshments and story time. *Five books maximum for donation.*

**Thursday, 7/13; 11am - 2pm**

**Insect Fest, Cummings Square, River Forest**

Go on a bug hunt, follow the migratory patterns of monarch butterflies, explore bugs through dance and music, and create your own insect!

**Saturday, 7/15; 10am - 2pm**

**Nature Detectives: Animal Homes Scavenger Hunt, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills**

Look high and low for signs of animal homes during this fun scavenger hunt on our trails. *Drop-in.*

**Saturday, 7/15; 12pm - 4pm**

**Outdoor Block Party: Self-Love Series, Camp Shabbona Woods, South Holland**

Enjoy music, nature play, games, walks, artmaking projects and more. Light of Loving Kindness will host yoga from 11:30am - 1pm.

**Sunday, 7/16; 9am**

**Hooray for Herons, Trailside Museum, River Forest**

Join us for a short talk and walk to see herons and other birds. *Registration required. Ages 18 and up. Call 708-366-6530.*

**Sunday, 7/16; 1:30pm**

**Bug-a-Palooza, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook**

Learn about the amazing diversity of insects as we catch and release them.

**Monday, 7/17; 8:45pm**

**Dark Sky Walk, Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center, Willow Springs**

Walk in the world's largest Urban Night Sky Place during the darkest night of the month and view the stars and planets.