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Calendar of Events

February 2014

Wednesday, 2/12, 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Darwin Days, Trailside Museum, River Forest

Celebrate Charles Darwin's Birthday! We will be exploring adaptation, fitness, selection and survival through activities and displays. Drop-in program for all ages; free.

Saturday and Sunday, 2/15 & 2/16, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Surf the White Winter Wave, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center,

Join us for a Polynesian take on winter. After skiing the "frozen wave," relax and enjoy surfing videos and live updates on surf conditions from Oahu's North Shore. Dress Hawaiian and win a prize.

Saturday, 2/15 - Sunday, 3/16, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

The Orchid Show, Chicago Botanic Garden

This exquisite exhibition, and the only one of its kind in the Chicago area, showcases more than 10,000 brilliantly beautiful and unusual orchids from around the world. Admission free.

Monday, 2/17, 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Holiday Program: Wild Dogs, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland

Learn about the canine cousins of the Forest Preserves. Touch the skins and skulls of foxes, coyotes and even wolves.

Friday, 2/ 21, 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Nightlife Winter Hike, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook

Join us for a winter night hike to learn about nocturnal animals that live at River Trail.

Afterwards, warm up inside with snacks and hot chocolate.

Registration required by February 19; Cost: \$2 /person.

Sunday, 2/ 23, 1:00 p.m.

This Old Birdhouse, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington

Prepare for the upcoming nesting season by building a birdhouse. One per family. Registration required. \$5 per birdhouse.

Sunday, 2/23, 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Seed Swap, Chicago Botanic Garden

Share and swap your saved or extra vegetable, flower, and herb seed packets with other gardeners. Participants will enjoy demonstrations on how to start seeds indoors, test germination, and save seeds.

Saturday, 3/1, 12:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Winter Exploration Day, Dan Ryan Woods Pavilion (Grove 5), 87th & Western, Chicago

Bring the whole family outside for winter fun! Try a variety of outdoor activities for all ages, including sledding and

snowshoes (depending on conditions), fire, nature hikes, crafts, snacks and more

Saturday, 3/1, 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. or 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.

Weekend Family Class: Homemade Ice Cream, Chicago Botanic Garden

Get an up-close look at one of the world's tiniest seeds from the vanilla orchid, make a batch of ice cream, and pot up a plant that can flavor ice cream.

Registration and fee.

Thursday, 3/6, 1:30 p.m. -3:30 p.m.

S.E.N.I.O.R.S. IN NATURE, Little Red School House, Willow Springs

Seniors Enjoying Nature Inside/Outside Rain or Shine! Seniors, are you looking for a new way to stay active that involves nature? If so, you are invited to have fun and get some fresh air with friends. Different activities will be featured each week. Seniors 55 years and up

Saturday, 3/8, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

One Earth Film Festival: Green Gold

Cummings Square, 536 N. Harlem, River Forest

The Forest Preserves will host a screening of Green Gold (2012, 53 min), a film about healing large-scale landscapes-and with them life, livelihoods, security and the future. For festival details, visit www.oneearthfilmfest.org.