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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 1/11/2022 - 2/8/2022

Please check the Forest Preserve of Cook County's website, www.fpdcc.com/events ~~<http://www.fpdcc.com/events>~~, for updates and changes.

Thursday, 1/13; 10am

S.E.N.I.O.R.S., Little Red Schoolhouse, Willow Springs

Seniors Enjoying Nature Inside/Outside Rain or Shine! Join us for a nature-inspired adventure for seniors. *Ages 55 and up. Registration and facemasks required.*

Friday, 1/14; 1pm - 3pm

Winter Woodworking, Rolling Knolls, Elgin

Repurpose the common European buckthorn into something new! *Equipment provided. Intended for ages 10 and up. Participants under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Registration and facemasks required. Call 224-456-8602.*

Friday, 1/14; 7pm

Owl Hike, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington

Join us for a talk about these nocturnal hunters. Afterwards we will look for these unique predators on a 0.5-mile hike. *Ages 8 and up. Registration and facemasks required.*

Friday, 1/14; 6pm

Wellness in the Woods: "Solitude" in Nature, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland

Discover the peacefulness of solitude in nature without being alone. *Registration and facemasks required.*

Saturday, 1/15; 1pm

Skier 101 (No Snow), Sagawau Nature Center, Lemont

Thinking about cross-country skiing but don't know where to start? Sagawau's certified Professional Ski Instructor of America are here to answer your questions. *Registration and facemasks required.*

Saturday, 1/15; 4pm

Sunset Hike, Camp Reinberg, Palatine

Join us for a stroll in the Forest Preserves and take in the evening sunset. Depending on snow conditions, snowshoes will be available to borrow for the hike. *Registration and facemasks required. Register at experience.camping@cookcountyil.gov.*

Sunday, 1/16; 1pm - 2:30pm

Family Winter Scavenger Hunt and Campfire, Trailside Museum, River Forest

Enjoy a winter afternoon on a self-guided hunt for signs of animals and plant life on your Scavenger Hunt List, followed by snacks and relaxing around a campfire. *Registration and facemasks required. Call 708-366-6530.*

Sunday, 1/16; 7pm

Illuminated Night Hike, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington

Crabtree is staying up late for this special hike in the dark. Giant's Hollow will be lit by candles and the (nearly) full moon for a hike few have a chance to see. *Registration and facemasks required.*

Monday, 1/17; 10am - 2pm

MLK Day of Service: Give Back to the Land, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland

Giving back drives happiness, boosts self-esteem and builds community with others. Join us as we restore native habitat by removing invasive species and doing a litter clean up. *No experience necessary. Facemasks required.*

Additionally you can join us for self-led volunteer litter cleanup and make a direct impact on the health and beauty of your local forest preserves at the other five Nature Centers and Dan Ryan Woods, Miller Meadow, Caldwell Woods and Sault Trail Woods-North. Check out the website for details.

Tuesday, 1/18; 9am

Photography Walk, Thatcher Woods, Maywood

We will hike around Thatcher Woods and down to the Des Plaines River in hopes of capturing some magical winter photography. *Registration and facemasks required. Call 312-533-5751.*

Friday, 1/21; 6pm - 8:30pm

Sand Ridge by Candlelight, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland

Enjoy Sand Ridge at night during a relaxing candlelit self-guided walk through the woods. *Multiple time slots available. Registration and facemasks required.*

Saturday, 1/22; 10am - 1pm

Winter Exploration Day, Caldwell Woods Warming Shelter, Chicago

Find your way using a compass, follow local animal tracks and more. Warm up by the indoor fire and make a s'more. *Snowshoeing and sledding available, weather permitting. Facemasks required.*

Saturday, 1/22; 1:30pm

Ice Sun Catcher Craft and Walk, Trailside Museum, River Forest

Join us as we get outdoors and make a fun and easy craft. A short winter hike will follow while our sun catcher's freeze. *Children 5 and up with adult. Registration and facemasks required. Call 708-366-6530.*

Saturday, 1/22; 1pm

Squirrel! Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington

National Squirrel Appreciation Day is celebrated each year in January. This year, we want to celebrate by teaching you about some of our favorite bushy-tailed friends. *Registration and facemasks required.*

Saturday, 1/29; 11am - 2pm

All About Fire, Thatcher Woods Pavilion, River Forest

Join us for activities all related to fire! Learn safe practices for fire building and containment, then make your own fire and roast a marshmallow. *Facemasks required.*

Tuesday, 2/1 through Sunday, 2/6

Groundhog Week, Sagawau Nature Center, Lemont

Will Sagawau Sam see his shadow on the ski trails this year? Ski by our outdoor exhibit to learn about groundhogs and other winter hibernators. Repeat skiers throughout the week win a prize. *Facemasks required.*

Friday, 2/4; 6pm

Adult Winter Watercolors, Rolling Knolls, Elgin

Join us for a winter art workshop as we explore the beauty of nature through watercolor painting. *Materials provided.*

Ages 21 and up. BYOB (no glass). Registration and facemasks required. Call 224-456-8602.

Saturday, 2/5; 11am - 2pm

Greg the Groundhog and Friends, Little Red Schoolhouse, Willow Springs

Join in on an interactive scavenger hunt adventure on our trails to find Greg the Groundhog and his animal friends. *Registration and facemasks required.*

Saturday, 2/5; 1:30pm

Owls of Trailside, Trailside Museum, River Forest

Come visit with us to learn about the fascinating owls that call Trailside home and meet one of Trailside's ambassador owls! *Registration and facemasks required. Call 708-366-6530.*

Saturday, 2/5; 10am - 1pm

Beaubien Woods Community Day, Beaubien Woods, Chicago

Join the Forest Preserves of Cook County and Field Museum to enjoy a day at Beaubien Woods. Explore nature, help with restoration, and enjoy an art-making activity. *Facemasks required.*

Sunday, 2/6; 1:30pm

Insects in Winter, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook

Hunt our trails for the mighty snow flea and learn about winter insects. *Facemasks required.*

Thursday, 2/6; 5:30pm

Evening Snowshoe Hike, Camp Reinberg, Palatine

Explore the Forest Preserves after dark on snowshoes. Snowshoes will be provided upon request. Four inches of hard snow is required to snowshoe. If no snow, we will take an evening stroll on foot. *Registration and facemasks required. Register at experience.camping@cookcountyil.gov.*