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THE CALUMET OUTDOORS SERIES

Join us for a FREE guided event.



Whether you're a hiker or a paddler, novice or experienced, as long as you enjoy the outdoors we welcome all to join us for a free guided event in the Calumet Outdoors.

Events are free and open to the public.

HIKING

Hiking events are held every 3rd Saturday of the month at 9:00 AM. Contact Series Coordinator for meeting location and directions.

DECEMBER 18, 2010

Coffee Creek Watershed Preserve

Leader: Steve Barker, JFNew
Meet at pavilion parking area on 1050 North. Fire and hot chocolate afterward.

JANUARY 15, 2011

Dunes Succession Trail

Leader: Erika Hasle, Field Museum
Meet at north parking area of West Beach near trailhead.

FEBRUARY 19, 2011

Hegewisch Marsh

Leader: Jerry Attere, City of Chicago
Department of Environment
Hegewisch Marsh is located at 13250 S. Torrence Avenue, Chicago, IL. Parking is available on the eastern shoulder of S. Torrence Avenue.

MARCH 19, 2011

Kemil Beach

Leader: Tina Rongers, Karner Blue, LLC
Meet at Kemil Beach parking area located on E. State Park Boundary Road in Beverly Shores, IN.

APRIL 16, 2011

Heron Rookery

Leader: Eric Neagu, Save the Dunes
The Heron Rookery trailhead and parking is located at N. County Road 600 E. in Michigan City, IN.

MAY 21, 2011

Marquette Park

Leader: Joel Baldin, Hitchcock Design Group
Meet at Marquette Park Pavilion parking lot.

JUNE 18, 2011

Beaubien Woods

Leader: Doug Stotz, Field Museum
Take the Bishop Ford (94) south to the "Beaubien Woods" Exit (#69), just south of the 130th Street exit; Chicago, IL. Follow the signs to meet at the picnic pavilion on Flatfoot Lake.

JULY 16, 2011

Eggers Grove Forest Preserve

Leader: Becky Schillo, Field Museum
Meet at the parking lot near the caretakers cottage in Eggers Grove Forest Preserve, 112th and Avenue E, Chicago, IL

AUGUST 20, 2011

Mt. Baldy to Central Beach

Leader: Susan Mihalo, Save the Dunes
Meet at Mt. Baldy parking lot.

SEPTEMBER 17, 2011

Taltree Arboretum & Gardens

Leader: Dave Frigo, Hitchcock Design Group
Hike participants who pre-register with Calumet Outdoors will be admitted free to Taltree this day. Participants not pre-registered must pay the \$5 admission fee. As always, Taltree members are free whether pre-registered or not.

From Valparaiso, head west on US 30 to N. County Road 500 W and turn left (South). At W. 100 N turn left (east) to 450 W. 100 N Valparaiso, IN.

OCTOBER 15, 2011

Cowles Bog

Leader: Eric Neagu, Save the Dunes
Meet at Cowles Bog parking lot. Head north from Highway 12 on Mineral Springs Road toward Dune Acres.

NOVEMBER 19, 2011

Deep River Outdoor Education Center

Leader: Daniel Goldfarb, Wildlife Habitat Council
Located at 3100 Liverpool Road, Lake Station, IN. Take Exit 258 on I-65, then east on US 6 to Liverpool Road. Left on Liverpool to the Education Center entrance, immediately before the river.

DECEMBER 17, 2011

Coffee Creek Watershed Preserve

Leader: Kris Krouse, Shirley Heinze Land Trust
Meet at pavilion parking area on 1050 North. Fire and hot chocolate afterward.

PADDLING

Paddling events are held every 2nd Saturday of the month at 9:00 AM unless otherwise noted.

MAY 14, 2011

Beaver Lake Float

1/8 mile south of intersection of 600 N and 200 W. Newton County (unit D parking lot of The Nature Conservancy). From US 41 in Newton County, west 1 mile on 800 N, 2 1/8 miles south on 200 W.

JUNE 11, 2011

Little Calumet River Float-Waverly Road to Mineral Springs Road

Meet at Hawthorne Park in Porter, IN.

JULY 9, 2011

2nd Annual New Buffalo to Michigan City Paddle

Meet at Red Arrow Highway, DNR public access site on Galien River. Rental boats will be available. Intermediate skill level sea kayak experience required on the Lake Michigan portion of the trip.

AUGUST 13, 2011

Rogers Lakewood Park

Valparaiso, IN. Rental boats will be available.

SEPTEMBER 11, 2011

5th Annual Trail Creek Fun Float

Meet at Washington Park boat ramps in Michigan City. Rental boats will be available.

OCTOBER 8, 2011

Marquette Park Lagoons, Gary, Indiana

Meet at Marquette Park Pavilion.

OCTOBER 23, 2011

Kankakee River/Sandhill Crane Viewing trip.

Meet at the English Lake public access site and paddle to Dunn's Bridge in rural Porter Co. Afterward, we will carpool to view the 15,000 Sandhill Cranes that stop at Jasper Pulaski WFA each year. Kayak & canoe rentals are available.

- Canoes and kayaks available on a limited basis.
- Personal floatation devices required at all paddling events.
- No alcohol or pets allowed at sponsored events.
- Dress appropriately for all weather conditions; bring your own water.
- All events subject to weather conditions and considered easy to moderate.
- Participants are responsible for their own health and safety. If you have questions regarding your ability to participate, please call the coordinator in advance.
- Please RSVP.

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