

fieldtrips & SPECIAL EVENTS

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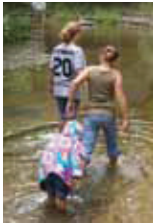
INSECTS AND MOTHS

Tuesday, July 20, 10 a.m.

Presented by: Gary Moughler, Officer, USDA

Join Gary and see his live insect show, then enjoy a hike in search of more insects and moths in their natural habitats.

WHERE: Mengerson Nature Reserve, Allen County



by Ringo Santiago

CREEK STOMP II: RETURN OF THE LEECH

Sunday, July 25, 2 p.m.

Presented by: The Kissel Family

Back by popular demand: Join us for a wet, dirty adventure down Ross Run Creek where waterfalls, leeches, frogs, fossils, salamanders, fish, mosquitoes, crawdads, and many other creatures wait to be discovered by the brave-hearted. Wear old shoes and grubby clothes. You will get wet, dirty, and probably a little scratched up. No sissies allowed!

WHERE: Hathaway Preserve at Ross Run, Wabash County

HIKING AMONG THE GRASS

Saturday, July 31, 10 a.m.

Presented by: Paul Rothrock, Taylor University

Paul will lead a hike to identify grasses, sedges, and non-flowering plants at the Wildwood Nature Preserve.

WHERE: Wildwood Nature Preserve, Kosciusko County



by Shane Perfect

PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

Sunday, August 1, 2 p.m.

Presented by: Sunny Schick Camera Shop, led by Jarrid Spicer, Master Photographer

Join us for a hands-on nature photography workshop. Bring your camera and questions and we'll help you become more familiar with your camera and discuss composition and techniques. Costs \$15. Reservations: call Sunny Schick Camera Shop at 424-1615.

WHERE: Tom and Jane Dustin Nature Preserve, Allen County

KIDS DAY AT WILDWOOD

Wednesday, August 4, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Presented by: David Homan and Ethel McClelland

Come join us for nature hikes, a raptor presentation by Shirley Needham, "Big Trees of Wildwood," pond scoping, crafts, a hot dog roast, and lots of fun. Volunteers are needed for this event. Please call Wildwood at 260.352.2604 to RSVP or volunteer. Sponsored by Kosciusko County REMC.

WHERE: Wildwood Nature Preserve, Kosciusko County

WORK DAY - DONATE YOUR SWEAT TO A GOOD CAUSE!

Saturday, August 7, 10 a.m.

Presented by: The Kissel Family and Matt Jehl

Help construct a 75' long elevated boardwalk over a tributary of Ross Run Creek. We'll have all the materials, tools, and refreshments necessary - all you need to bring are your gloves. A few extra cordless drills may come in handy.

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9th ANNUAL WING HAVEN CANOE TRIP

Saturday, August 7, 2 p.m.

Presented by: Nate Simons and the Spurgeon Family

Join Nate as he leads an interpretive program and relax as you canoe the Seven Sisters Lakes. All paddling levels welcome. Please bring your own canoe or kayak. The Spurgeons invite you to stay for a cookout after the canoe trip. You must register if you are staying for the cookout. Cookout \$5. Call Bill or Dawn Spurgeon at 260.668.8761 to make your reservation.

WHERE: Wing Haven Nature Preserve, Steuben County



by Art Eberhardt

FLOWERS AT FOGWELL

Saturday, August 21, 10 a.m.

Presented by: Heather Baker

Hike the new Fogwell meadow trail to see how many flowers we can identify.

WHERE: Fogwell Nature Preserve, Allen County



by Marissa Jones

IN SEARCH OF THE MASSASSAUGA

Saturday, August 28, 2 p.m.

Presented by: Nate Simons

Join Nate for a canoe and land excursion to look for the Massassauga snake and learn about the plant diversity of this unique nature preserve. The short canoe trip will take us through two undeveloped lakes before landing in a wet sedge meadow for the botanical hike and return. Please bring your own canoe or kayak, wear long pants and boots and be prepared for steamy conditions.

WHERE: Sauga Swamp, Noble County

USING OUR SENSES TO ENJOY NATURE

Wednesday, September 1, 1 p.m.

Presented by: David Homan and Ethel McClelland

Learn about nature's way of dispersing seeds and see and enjoy nature by using our senses.

WHERE: Wildwood Nature Preserve, Kosciusko County

OUTDOOR CONCERT AT WING HAVEN

Saturday, September 4, 5 p.m.

Presented by: The Spurgeon Family

Listen to the sounds of area musicians in an outdoor concert as they perform a variety of music styles.

WHERE: Wing Haven Nature Preserve, Steuben County



by Steve Ross

NIGHT HIKE!

Friday, September 10, 8 p.m.

Presented by: The Kissel Family

Come explore ACRES' wild nightlife! Watch bats, observe moths, look for raccoons, and hear owls. We will even try to call in an owl for a closer look.

WHERE: Mary Thornton Nature Preserve, Wabash County

DUSTIN DEDICATION

Wednesday, September 22, 1 p.m.

Dedication by: John Bacone, Director for the IDNR Division for Nature Preserves

Join ACRES in dedicating the Tom and Jane Dustin Nature Preserve, and stay for a hike after the dedication.

WHERE: Tom and Jane Dustin Nature Preserve, Allen County

See directions to the preserves on page 18.