



Friends of the Lakeshore Nature Preserve Spring and Summer Field Trips 2015 www.FriendsLakeshorePreserve.com

Road Salt Study of the 1918 Marsh, March 1 (Sunday), 12:00 noon - 2:00pm. Learn about sampling salt in the inlets, open waters, and outlet of University Bay Marsh with a demonstration of how chloride concentrations from road salt are tested. We may traverse ice, snow, or a few inches of standing water. Trip may be postponed if inclement weather. Meet at Lot 130 across from Picnic Point. Leaders: Greta Helmueller and John Magnuson (jjmagnus@wisc.edu)

Nighttime Owl Prowl in the Preserve, March 21 (Saturday) 6:30pm - 9:00pm. Join in a search for resident great horned and barred owls, and possibly screech owls. Co-sponsored with Madison Audubon Society. Bring flashlights or headlamps; binoculars will be provided. Hike is limited to 20 people; please RSVP. Meet at entrance to Picnic Point, in Lot 129. Leader: Carolyn Byers (716-390-1554) carolyn.byers@madisonaudubon.org

Spring Equinox Walk with UW's Science Expeditions, Destination Station Picnic Point, March 22 (Sunday) 2:00pm - 3:30pm. (normally Paul Noeldner's 4th Sunday Walk) Learn about the geology and history of the Preserve and enjoy the sights and sounds of early spring migratory birds in Picnic Point woods, Biocore Prairie, and the Eagle Heights Community Gardens. Meet at the main gate to Picnic Point in Lot 129. Leaders: Paul Noeldner (698-0104) paul_noeldner@hotmail.com, Sue Denholmsueatholm@ameritech.net, and Doris Dubielzigdubielzig@sbcglobl.net

Beginning Birding (evening), April 18 (Saturday) 6:30pm - 9:00pm. Have your bird questions answered and get help identifying those small streaky brown birds as we visit both prairie and woodland habitat. We may even hear some owls as dusk falls. Madison Audubon will provide 20 pairs of binoculars. Meet at entrance to Picnic Point, in Lot 129, and bring your whole family. Leader: Carolyn Byers (716-390-1554) carolyn.byers@madisonaudubon.org

Restoration Ecology in the Eagle Heights Woods, April 25 (Saturday) 1:00pm - 3:00pm. Get a behind-the-scenes spring look at restoration efforts to restore the biological health of this oak forest and woodlands. The new Eagle Heights Woods restoration project is being funded by the Friends. Park along Wood Lane and meet at the Shady Lane trailhead. Leader: Adam Gundlach: (220-3482) agundlach@fpm.wisc.edu

4th Sunday of the Month Birding and Nature Walk with Paul Noeldner, April 26 (Sunday) 1:30pm - 3:00pm. Co-sponsored with the Madison Audubon Society (see the website for details). Meet at the Eagle Heights Community Gardens shed. Park across the street from the Community Gardens entrance in lot 131. Leader: Paul Noeldner (698-0104) paul_noeldner@hotmail.com

Lakeshore Nature Preserve Spring Birding, May 3 (Sunday) 7:30am - 10:30am. Explore Picnic Point and adjacent areas for spring migrants, including warblers, vireos, thrushes, orioles and tanagers. Bring binoculars and a field guide if you have them. Meet at Picnic Point parking lot. Cosponsored with Madison Audubon Society. Leaders: Roma Lenehan and Peter Fissel (226-0260) peter.fissel@wisc.edu

Bird Banding at Biocore Prairie, May 16 (Saturday) 8:00am - 12:00 noon. Come by any time between the listed hours and learn about bird banding (hands on if you wish), the contributions of banding to our knowledge of birds, and our efforts towards conservation. Co-sponsored with the Madison Audubon Society. Park at the Picnic Point parking lot and walk up to the Biocore Prairie above the Eagle Heights Gardens. Leader: Mara McDonald (274-2534) mamcdona@wisc.edu

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4th Sunday of the Month Birding and Nature Walk with Paul Noeldner, May 24 (Sunday)

1:30pm – 3:00pm. Co-sponsored with the Madison Audubon Society (see the website for details). Meet at the Eagle Heights Community Gardens shed. Park across the street from the Community Gardens entrance in lot 131. Leader: Paul Noeldner (698- 0104) paul_noeldner@hotmail.com

Lake Mendota Boat Trip, June 2 (Tuesday) 10:00am - 12:00 noon. (weather date, Friday, June 5, 10:00am - 12:00 noon) Learn about Lake Mendota and the shoreline of the Preserve from aboard LIMNOS, the Center for Limnology research vessel for teaching, research, and outreach. Group size is limited to 12. Reserve your place by email to the leader. Meet at Hasler Limnology Laboratory one block west of Memorial Union. Leader: John Magnuson (jjmagnus@wisc.edu).

Effigy Mounds of the Preserve, June 13 (Saturday) 1:00pm – 3:00pm. Visit effigy mounds dating from 700 AD to 1200 AD. Learn about the mounds themselves, the life-ways of their builders, and how we honor these sites today. Meet at the Picnic Point parking lot. Leader: Paul Borowski (886-6777) paborows@wisc.edu

4th Sunday of the Month Birding and Nature Walk with Paul Noeldner, June 28 (Sunday)

1:30pm – 3:00pm. Co-sponsored with the Madison Audubon Society (see the website for details). Meet at the Eagle Heights Community Gardens shed. Park across the street from the Community Gardens entrance in lot 131. Leader: Paul Noeldner (698- 0104) paul_noeldner@hotmail.com

Pretty Things with Wings, July 11 (Saturday) 10:00am - 12:00 noon. Join in a search for butterflies, dragonflies, and an occasional bird. Bring your binoculars. Co-sponsored with the Madison Audubon Society and the Southern Wisconsin Butterfly Association. Meet at the Picnic Point parking lot. Leader: Edgar Spalding (265-5294) spalding@wisc.edu

Native Pollinators in the Preserve, July 19 (Sunday) 9:00am - 11:00am. Join us in searching for pollinators in the Preserve while learning about diversity, lifestyles, and the importance of pollinators. Meet at the Picnic Point parking lot. Leader: Susan Carpenter (886-7504) susan.carpenter@wisc.edu

4th Sunday of the Month Birding and Nature Walk with Paul Noeldner, July 26 (Sunday)

1:30pm – 3:00pm. Co-sponsored with the Madison Audubon Society (see the website for details). Meet at the Eagle Heights Community Gardens shed. Park across the street from the Community Gardens entrance in lot 131. Leader: Paul Noeldner (698- 0104) paul_noeldner@hotmail.com

Restoration Ecology in the Eagle Heights Woods, August 8 (Saturday) 1:00pm - 3:00pm. Get a summer perspective on restoration efforts to restore the biological health of this oak forest and woodlands. The new Eagle Heights Woods restoration project is being funded by the Friends. Park along Wood Lane, and meet at the Shady Lane trailhead. Leader: Adam Gundlach: (220-3482) agundlach@fpm.wisc.edu

Introduction to Trees in the Nature Preserve, August 15 (Saturday) 1:00pm - 3:00pm. Take a walk through the Preserve to identify the wonderful variety of trees along the paths. This hike is good for young and old. Families are encouraged to attend. Meet at the Picnic Point parking lot. Leader: Laura Wyatt (265-9275) wyatt@fpm.wisc.edu

4th Sunday of the Month Birding and Nature Walk with Paul Noeldner, August 23 (Sunday)

1:30pm - 3:00pm. Co-sponsored with the Madison Audubon Society (see the website for details). Meet at the Eagle Heights Community Gardens shed. Park across the street from the Community Gardens entrance in lot 131. Leader: Paul Noeldner (698- 0104) paul_noeldner@hotmail.com