

Nature & Science

Programs are offered for free or at a reduced rate thanks to support from NRG Energy.

Spring Fever! #20609102

Ages 4-5

With Spring right around the corner, it should be no surprise that your little one is ready to get outside and go! With the start of warm weather comes a lot of new and exciting adventures to have. During our Spring Fever sessions, we will allow for children to come hop, skip, jump, explore and learn about all the different changes that start to show during spring time. This class will allow for children to spend time inside and outside at both the Belvidere Recreation Center as well as the park!

BRC TH 3/24-4/14 11am-12pm Reg by 3/9 \$10/\$12 -1A

Worms and Bugs! #20802101

Ages 4-5

This messy class is designed to get your bug loving youngster out and digging! We provide the worms, but they have to find the bugs! During this class little ones will also be able to learn all about different worms and bugs that are all around us, or below us, each and every day! They are sure to have a blast digging, getting messy, and making new friends!

BO WE 5/4 1-2pm Reg by 3/16 FREE -1A

Nature Hike! #20804401

All Ages+Parent

Join us for a fun and exploratory nature hike through the short trail at Bowen Park! Your child will be able to become familiar with their natural surroundings and resources that may even be found right in their backyard at home! By introducing your child to nature, they can start at a young to appreciate the beauty and fun that the great outdoors truly has to offer! A variety of activities will take place during the hour long session including a scavenger hunt, nature themed games, and more!

CG FR 5/13 6-7pm Reg by 4/23 FREE -1A

Kids Garden Club #20802201

Ages 6+

Looking for a Saturday activity to get your child out and about? Do they like to dig or plant? Well then this awesome new club is where they need to be! During this class children will be able to learn about what makes plants grow, how to plant, and what it takes to take care of a living thing! Not ready to get them the dog they've always wanted? Test out their "parenting" skills with a plant. Children will be able to take home their plants every week and bring them back to make updates and keep track of its growth. We may even slip in some veggie plants too!

BRC SA 4/2,4/16,4/30 11-1pm Reg by 3/31 \$5/\$7 -1A

Nature Extravaganza! #20806203

Ages 7+

Join us at Bowen Park and explore a variety of different science projects such as blowing up a balloon with CO2 or kits that your child will love! It is free! All ages are welcome and we hope that you drop-in and explore the wonderful world of nature with us!

BO SA 5/14-6/11* 11-12 pm Reg by 4/30 FREE -1A

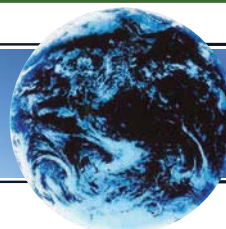
*No class 5/21

Lake County Nature Network

The Waukegan Park District supports The Lake County Nature Network. The Lake County Nature Network (LCNN) is a collaborative effort to better connect Lake County's Latino and African American communities to nature-based learning, science, recreation and stewardship activities within Lake County. Like us on Facebook!



FOR EARTH'S SAKE



The Waukegan Park District believes that children who develop an early appreciation for nature are inspired to be the next generation of environmental stewards. The district is also committed to helping bring the youth of our community back OUTSIDE to enjoy nature through its NO CHILD LEFT INSIDE initiative.

Instructors present earth awareness topics relating to our local environment. Won't you join us indoors as we take to the outdoors to learn and play in nature? Call Jack Benny Center for the Arts 847-360-4740 to reserve your spot! Most of these classes are geared towards adults but children are welcome to attend as well – children must be accompanied by an adult.

Plant Native!

The Lake County Forest Preserve is having the annual Native Plant Sale at Independence Grove in Libertyville on Mother's Day weekend May 7 and 8. SWALCO will also be present selling compost bins and rain barrels. For more information www.lcfdp.org/plantsale or call 847-367-6640.

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The Midwest Invasive Plant Network (www.mipn.org) has good resources on native plants. Including an alternative to invasive plant brochure. This is also available as an app for iPhone and Android, search for "Landscape Alternatives for Invasive Plants of the Midwest".