



Fun for all age groups at Dinosaur Hill!

Bat Chat Saturday, May 11, 8-9:30 pm **All Ages**(\$6/\$4)

We'll discuss the only flying mammals in the world– 1,465 species of bats– including the 9 local bats found in Michigan, and their relatives everywhere except Antarctica. We'll use night vision binoculars and an echometer touch to both see and hear bats in the woods.

River Day Sunday, June 9, 10 am– 2 pm **All Ages** FREE

Meander along our trails and stop at our River Day stations to discover what our waterways do for us, and how we can help them. Bring water shoes (or borrow ours) to get in the water and dip net for macroinvertebrates, try your hand at water quality testing, and create a water-based painting

Blueberry Social* Sunday, July 21, 2-4 pm

All Ages (\$4/\$0 for DHNP members)

Inspired by the Members' Strawberry Socials of the past, but with a different berry in the spotlight. Enjoy a blueberry sundae, meet one of the owls from Stage Nature Center, and create a keepsake to take home.

Miniature Floatable Boatables* Sunday August 11, 2 pm

All Ages (\$6/4)

Build a 2 foot or smaller boat from our upcycled materials &/or bring your own supplies. We'll launch them down the creek and see whose boatables really are floatable. Prizes awarded in several categories.

Traveling Nature Folks* Friday, August 23, 7 pm

Teens-Adults (\$3.50)

Enjoy photographs from Naturalist Amanda Felk's bat travels in Nicaragua, Trinidad, and Costa Rica; along with light refreshments.

Camp LEARN* Saturday, August 24, 10 am– 3 pm

Adults (\$30)

Learn Education And Recreation in Nature. Why should children get all the fun of summer camp? A mini half-day camp for adults. Refresh your knowledge of plants, animals, geology, basic survival skills, and stream life with hands-on examination. Lunch (& yes, s'mores!) included.

Preschool-K:

These programs are designed for the child to experience accompanied by their adult.

Nature Tales Classic

May 16 June 20 July 18 August 15

10-11 am Every 3rd Thursday of the month at this program, we'll read a story, eat a snack, and make a craft that matches the theme. (\$6/4 per child per session) **Suggested Ages 3-5**

Story & STEAM

May 10, 24 June 14, 28
July 12, 26 August 9, 23

10-11 am Now every 2nd & 4th Friday of the month we combine a story with related Science, Technology, Engineering, Art &/or Math activities. (\$6/4 per child per session) **Suggested Ages 3-5**

Scary Story

Conservation Campfires

(\$5/3 with a max fee per family of \$15/12 per event)

All ages.

The scariest fear conservationists have is extinction of a species. Listen to the harrowing tales that some plants & animals face.

S'mores supplies will be provided.

May 9– 6-8 pm

Karner Blue Butterfly

June 13– 6-8 pm

Trumpeter Swan

July 17– 6-8 pm

Copperbelly Water Snake

August 14—6-8 pm

Indiana Bat

*50th Anniversary Inspired, each participant receives a limited edition 50th Anniversary sticker



Dinosaur Hill Nature Preserve

333 North Hill Circle, Rochester, MI 48307

EXTENDED SUMMER DROP OFF PROGRAMS run Monday-Thursday.
Each class can expect to spend time outside exploring the woods, creek, and garden!
Please bring a small snack and water bottle each day, & water shoes on Creek day.
www.DinosaurHill.org/Classes to register

9:30am-12:30 pm Ages 6-11

(per child \$120 / \$100 for DHNP members)

July 8-11 Dinosaurs I

Dig for dino bones, put together dinosaur skeletons, & build toy dinosaurs to play with. This dinosaur class builds on what we know about dinosaurs and fossils.

July 15-18 WILD LIFE: HERPS

Discover what makes reptiles and amphibians different from one another through games, crafts, and hands on activities. Each day we'll search for wild reptiles and amphibians in the preserve and spend some time with our resident ambassador reptiles.

July 29-Aug 1 LET'S ROCK

Discover how volcanoes, water, and wind shape our world. We'll break open geodes, polish stones, make crystals, and identify different minerals.

August 5-8 WILD LIFE: HABITATS

A look at different habitats and how the plants and animals there depend on each other to survive through games, crafts, and explorations.

August 12-15: SPACE

Explore our solar system, suns & moons, constellations, and space travel. A portion will take place inside our portable planetarium to view the constellations in ideal conditions!

5 Day Extended Drop-Off for Ages 3-6

(per child \$105 non-members /\$85 DHNP members)

July 15-19 2-4 PM

Sing It, Say It, Paint It, Play It*

A day camp for younger kids who love nature and kids who just love having fun Join us for crafts, games, stories, and other nature activities!

August 26-30 10 am-12 pm Littles Camp

Our youngest summer class experience, all the fun of the big kids in a smaller package. At the end of the week, you'll be hoping for s'more! Each day will be an adventure in the park or garden, activities inside the nature center, and a related craft.

1-4 pm Ages 6-11

(per child \$120 / \$100 for DHNP members)

June 24-27 WILD LIFE: FISH

Explore the different fish found in Michigan, both native and non-native. Design your own fish, and try to catch a fish (we'll practice with toy fish first!)

July 8-11 NATURE ARTS & CRAFTS

Discover creative ways to use stones, soil, and plant parts to create artwork. Hike to gather natural objects that we'll use to weave, paint, and more!

July 15-18 WILD LIFE: PLANTS

Get to know the plants growing around us! We'll make plant art, identify useful plants, and grow some to take home.

July 29-Aug 1 HOMESTEADING

Experience life in the 1890s as you cook over the campfire and make your own candles, pickles, and even toys!

Aug 5-8 Dinosaurs II

Dig for dino bones, sculpt and paint a dinosaur, create pasta dinosaur skeletons, and make a dinosaur shadow lantern. This dinosaur camp focuses on dinosaur arts & crafts.

Aug 12-15 WILD LIFE: BUGS

Meet our resident movie stars up close. Use nets to sweep for insects in the understory and in the creek. Turn logs. We'll safely capture and identify what we find, and turn them loose at the end of the day. Build a bug habitat and watch some very hungry caterpillars grow.

July 22-26 WILD KIDS of LOST LAKE

10 am-2 pm Drop-Off for Ages 6-10

\$140 Oakland Twp Residents, \$170 non-residents

Whether it's casting a line out into the lake, wading through the wetland in search of frogs and turtles, playing wild &/or historic games, or creating art, this camp will feature a large variety of scientific and nature-based activities. We will picnic outside whenever the weather permits so bring a bagged lunch to keep your little scientist fueled so they can continue inspecting insects, dodging water balloons and enjoying the beautiful surroundings of Lost Lake. [Program takes place at](#)

[Lost Lake Nature Center, 846 Lost Lake Trail, Oakland Twp, MI](#)

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May 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		1	2	3 Nature Center Open 1-5 pm	4 Nature Center Open 1-5 pm	5 Nature Center Open 12-5 pm
6	7	8	9 6 pm Conservation Campfire	10 10 am PreK Story & STEAM Nature Center Open 1-5 pm	11 Nature Center Open 12-5 pm Lost Lake Open House 12-3 pm 8pm Bat Chat	12 Nature Center Open 12-5 pm
13	14 4:30 pm Peek in the Pond	15	16 10am PreK Nature Tales Classic	17 Nature Center Open 1-5 pm	18 Nature Center Open 12-5 pm	19 Nature Center Open 12-5 pm Lost Lake Open House 12-3 pm
20	21	22	23	24 10 am PreK Story & STEAM Nature Center Open 12-5 pm	25 Heritage Days! Nature Center Closed	26 Heritage Days! Nature Center Closed
27 Memorial Day! Nature Center Open 10-3	28	29	30	31		

Dinosaur Hill Family Programs:

- Conservation Campfire: Karner Blue Butterfly Thursday, May 9 6-8 pm (\$5/3)**
- Story & STEAM Friday, May 10 10-11 am (\$6/\$4)**
- Bat Chat Saturday, May 11 8-9:30 pm (\$6/\$4)**
- PreK Nature Tales Classic Thursday, May 16 10-11 am (\$6/\$4)**
- Story & STEAM Friday, May 24 10-11 am (\$6/\$4)**

OFFSITE PROGRAMS:

HERITAGE DAYS PIONEER PLAYGROUND Saturday & Sunday, May 25 & 26 Rochester Municipal Park

LOST LAKE OPEN HOUSE Land Turtles Saturday, May 11, 12-3 pm (Families) Lost Lake Nature Park

PEEK IN THE POND Tuesday, May 14, 4:30-6 pm (After School) Bear Creek Nature Park

LOST LAKE OPEN HOUSE Water Turtles Sunday, May 19, 12-3 pm (Families) Lost Lake Nature Park

Sponsored by Oakland Township Parks and Rec Commission these programs are offered at nearby township parks. Discount for township residents/DHNP members but open to general public.

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June 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
					1 Nature Center Open 12-5 pm	2 Nature Center Open 12-5 pm
3	4	5	6	7 Nature Center Open 1-5 pm	8 Nature Center Open 12-5 pm Lost Lake Open House 12-3 pm	9 10 am River Day Nature Center Open 12-5 pm
10	11	12	13 6 pm Conservation Campfire	14 10am PreK Story & STEAM 10 am PreK Tiny Turtle Relay Nature Center Open 12-5 pm	15 Nature Center Open 12-5 pm	16 11 am-2 pm Summer Sun-Sation Nature Center Open 12-5 pm
17	18	19	20 10am PreK Nature Tales Classic	21 Nature Center Open 12-5 pm	22 Nature Center Open 12-5 pm	23 Nature Center Open 12-5 pm Lost Lake Open House 12-3 pm
24	25	26	27	28 10am PreK Story & STEAM Nature Center Open 1-5 pm	29 Nature Center Open 1-5 pm	30 Nature Center Open 1-5 pm

Dinosaur Hill Family Programs:

- River Day Sunday, June 9 10am-2pm All Ages (FREE)**
- Conservation Campfire Trumpeter Swan June 13 6-8 pm All Ages (\$5/\$3)**
- Story & STEAM Friday, June 14 10-11 am (\$6/\$4)**
- PreK Nature Tales Classic Thursday, June 20 10-11 am (\$6/\$4)**
- Story & STEAM Friday, June 28 10-11 am (\$6/\$4)**

OFFSITE PROGRAMS:

- LOST LAKE OPEN HOUSE Saturday, June 8 Fishing 12-3 pm (Families) Lost Lake Nature Park**
- Tiny Turtle Relay Friday, June 14, 10-11 am (PreK) Bear Creek Nature Park**
- Summer Sun-sation Sunday, June 16, 11:00am-2:00pm (Families) Lost Lake Nature Park**
- LOST LAKE OPEN HOUSE Sunday, June 23, Kayaking & Camping 12-3 pm (Families) Lost Lake Nature Park**

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July 2024



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	2	3	4	5 Nature Center Open 12-5 pm	6 Nature Center Open 1-5 pm	7 Nature Center Open 12-5 pm
8	9	10	11	12 10am PreK Story & STEAM Nature Center Open 12-5 pm	13 Nature Center Open 12-5 pm Lost Lake Open House 12-3 pm	14 Nature Center Open 12-5 pm
15	16	17 6 pm Conservation Campfire	18 10am PreK Nature Tales Classic	19 10 am PreK Tiny Turtle Relay Nature Center Open 12-5 pm	20 Nature Center Open 12-5 pm	21 Nature Center Open 12-5 pm 2 pm Blueberry Social
22	23	24	25	26 10am PreK Story & STEAM Nature Center Open 12-5 pm 8:30 pm Glittering Fireflies Campfire	27 Nature Center Open 12-5 pm	28 Nature Center Open 12-5 pm Lost Lake Open House 12-3 pm
29	30	31				

Dinosaur Hill Family Programs:

- PreK Story & STEAM** *Friday, July 12* 10 am-11 am (\$6/4)
- Conservation Campfire: Copperbelly Watersnake** *Wednesday, July 17* 6-8 pm **All Ages** (\$5/3)
- PreK Nature Tales Classic** *Thursday, July 18* 10-11 am (\$6/\$4)
- Blueberry Social** *Sunday, July 21* 2-4 pm **All Ages** (\$4/free)
- PreK Story & STEAM** *Friday, July 26* 10-11 am (\$6/\$4)

OFFSITE PROGRAMS:

- LOST LAKE OPEN HOUSE** *Saturday, July 13* Devonian Fossils 12-3 pm (Families) Lost Lake Nature Park
- Nature’s Sensory Adventure** *Monday, July 8,* 10-11:30 am (Caregiver & Baby) Bear Creek Nature Park
- Glittering Fireflies Campfire** *Friday, July 26,* 8:30p-10 pm (Families) Lost Lake Nature Park
- LOST LAKE OPEN HOUSE** *Sunday, July 28,* Ice Age Fossils 12-3 pm (Families) Lost Lake Nature Park

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August 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			1	2	3	4
				Nature Center Open 1-5 pm	Nature Center Open 12-5 pm	Nature Center Open 12-5 pm
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
				10am PreK Story & STEAM Nature Center Open 1-5 pm 8 pm Bat Hike	Nature Center Open 12-5 pm Lost Lake Open House 12-3 pm	Nature Center Open 12-5 pm 2 pm Mini Floatable Boatables
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		6 pm Conservation Campfire	10am PreK Nature Tales Classic	Nature Center Open 1-5 pm	Nature Center Open 12-5 pm	Nature Center Open 12-5 pm
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
				10am PreK Story & STEAM Nature Center Open 12-5 pm 7 pm Traveling Nature Folks	10 am– 3 pm Camp LEARN Nature Center Open 12-5 pm	Nature Center Open 12-5 pm Lost Lake Open House 12-3 pm
26	27	28	29	30	31	
				Nature Center Open 12-5 pm	Nature Center Open 12-5 pm	

Dinosaur Hill Family Programs:

- PreK Story & STEAM** *Friday, August 9 10-11 am* (\$6/\$4)
- Mini Floatable Boatables** *Sunday, August 11 2 pm All Ages* (\$6/4)
- Conservation Campfire** *Wednesday, August 14 6-8 pm All Ages* (\$5/\$3)
- PreK Nature Tales Classic** *Thursday, August 15 10-11 am* (\$6/\$4)
- PreK Story & STEAM** *Friday, August 23 10-11 am* (\$6/4)
- Traveling Nature Folks** *Friday, August 23 7 pm Ages 12+* (\$3.50)
- Camp LEARN** *Saturday, August 24, 10 am– 3 pm Adults* (\$30)

OFFSITE PROGRAMS:

- LOST LAKE OPEN HOUSE** *Saturday, August 10, 12-3 pm Pollination (Families)* Lost Lake Nature Park
- Michigan Bat Hike**—*Friday, August 9, 8-9:30 pm (Adults)* Charles Ilsley Park
- LOST LAKE OPEN HOUSE** *Sunday, August 25, Fruits & Flowers 12-3 pm (Families)* Lost Lake Nature Park

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Private Programs Available for Your Group

Birthday Parties, Baby Showers, Family Reunions, Scouts,
Homeschool Pods, Neighborhood Potluck, etc.

Online registration available!



Eco-Friendly Birthday Party Rental

A birthday party at Dinosaur Hill is a memorable experience! Choose between Dino Adventure, Explore Michigan Wildlife, Pirate Party, or Investigate Insects.

Party fee includes compostable paper products, decorations, non-plastic party favors and your own naturalist who leads the group in indoor and outdoor activities related to the theme. Please call, email, or visit the nature center for availability.

*Fee: \$200/\$150 DHNP members
2 hour rental, limit 25 people.*

Evening Campfire Rentals

Enjoy a naturalist guided evening wildlife walk & campfire. Firewood, roasting sticks, and marshmallows are provided. Building is open for restroom use.

*All rentals with campfires require 7 day notice.
Fee: \$150/\$100 DHNP members
2 hour rental, limit 40 people.*

Registration Information

Member registration: begins March 1

Public registration: begins March 16

*Please register prior to start of program.
Some programs fill-up quickly!*

Make checks payable to "DHNP".

Refund policy: full refund if class is canceled by DHNP. If registrant withdraws at least one week in advance of program start date a refund minus \$5 processing fee will be given. No refunds will be made after the one week advance deadline.

May-Aug

Dinosaur Hill Nature Center

Open Hours

Fridays, Saturdays & Sundays 12-5 pm

**333 North Hill Circle
Rochester, MI 48307
(248)656-0999**

Directions to Dinosaur Hill

Dinosaur Hill is located at 333 North Hill Circle in the City of Rochester. From Rochester Rd. go West on Woodward (there is a light at this intersection. This is a residential side street, not the Woodward that runs through Detroit). From Woodward, turn right (North) on N. Oak Street. From N. Oak St. turn left (West) on North Hill Circle. North Hill Circle will dead-end in the Dinosaur Hill parking lot. Street parking is allowed on North Hill Circle until dusk.

Programs at Oakland Township Parks

Peek in the Pond—May 14. 4:30-6:00 pm (Ages 7-10) Bear Creek Nature Park

Tiny Turtle Relay Race—June 14, 10-11 am (PreK) Bear Creek Nature Park

Summer Sun-Sation—June 16, 11 am-2 pm (Families) Lost Lake Nature Park

Nature's Sensory Adventure— July 8, 10-11:30 am (Baby & Caregiver) Bear Creek Nature Park

Glittering Fireflies Campfire – May 2, 8:30-10 pm (Families) Cranberry Lake Park

Michigan's Bats Hike—August 9,. 8-9:30 pm (Adults) Charles Ilsley Park

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