Are you and the children in your life eager to explore new places and try new things this summer? Then read on! We’re offering around 1,000 programs and events in the Genesee County Parks over the next several months, and you’re going to love the options!

Between May and October, you’ll find free and low-cost educational programs and activities that will open your eyes to the wonders of nature from under the moss to above the clouds, from arts and fitness to zochunzi. Plus we’re holding quirky fun events such as International Mud Day. And we design our programs for visitors with all abilities, including our friends with special cognitive and physical needs, and for all ages from 3 to 106.

Have you visited the amazing treehouse in For-Mar? This engineering marvel is both captivating and functional, thanks to Pete Nelson, the enthusiastic and very funny host of Treehouse Masters on the Animal Planet network. Pete and his talented crew designed and built a treehouse at For-Mar that is accessible to visitors in wheelchairs, with walkers and stilts and big enough to hold 30 excited children and an instructor.

Adults, I can tell you there’s no better way to feel like a kid again than being in a classroom in the trees! And we’ve scheduled some pretty impressive treehouse activities just for grownups. Come see it.

We’re also eager to introduce you to Atlas County Park, our newest treasure in the Genesee County Parks. Come explore its 155 acres of wooded hiking trails, scenic views, and rural peacefulness. Your dog is welcome, too, on a six-foot leash.

Look through this colorful Family Fun Guide and start planning your summer. Then accept our invitation to get away right away to your 11,000 acres of Genesee County Parks!

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Welcome back.

Are you looking for some unique volunteer opportunities? The Genesee County Parks have a variety of volunteer opportunities awaiting you!

The Keep Genesee County Beautiful (KGCB) is a nonprofit organization with the goal of encouraging volunteers to work with community members and organizations to enhance parks and open spaces throughout the county, helping make— and keep— them beautiful, clean and sustainable. Contact the KGCB team at info@kgcb.net or call them at 810.767.9696 if you would like to learn more about opportunities such as:

- **Cultivating Our Community**
  - Assisting with gardens
  - Counting bluebirds
  - Removing invasive plants
  - Hiking the trails and picking up litter
  - Helping a child learn to fish or sing around a campfire with first-time camping families
  - The possibilities are endless! To learn more about the volunteer opportunities at the Genesee County Parks, please contact Genesee County Parks Volunteer Coordinator, Crystal Kimber, at skimber@gparks.org or 810.249.3858.

**Volunteer Opportunities.**

Purchasing Crossroads Village Tickets

If you’re planning a visit to Crossroads Village & Huckleberry Railroad, we strongly suggest you purchase your tickets in advance to guarantee you get the train and Genesee Belle ride times you want. To purchase tickets, click the tickets link within the “Visit” drop down menu on our website. You are taken to our online ticketing site. Select the title for the type of ticket you’re looking to purchase and use the search options at the top of the screen to find the tickets you desire.

If online ticket purchasing is not your preferred method, you can also call our reservations department to register for all programs and purchase tickets over the phone at 810.767.7100 ext. 6 during normal business hours. You can also visit the reservations desk in person at the Administration Offices at 5045 Stanley Rd, Flint, 48506.

The Keep Genesee County Beautiful (KGCB) program is looking for people willing to play in the dirt! KGCB works with community members and organizations to enhance parks and open spaces throughout the county, helping make—and keep—them beautiful, clean and sustainable. Contact the KGCB team at info@kgcb.net or call them at 810.767.9696 if you would like to learn more about opportunities such as:

- **Community Cleanups**
  - KGCB provides all the supplies needed for cleanups on publicly owned properties. We also loan litter grabbers, sticks and safety vests for clean up.
  - Quantities are limited.

- **Adopt a Park**
  - KGCB is accepting applications for the 2017 Adopt a Park Program. The program encourages volunteer groups to formally participate in making a City of Flint park an attractive, clean and safe place to gather and play.
  - Volunteers’ main responsibility is to pick up litter and empty trash cans once a week.
  - Volunteer groups can work beyond the minimum requirements and paint, fix benches and bleachers with new boards, request playground replacement parts and removal of hazardous items. Adopt a Park applications are accepted on an ongoing basis.

**Recycling, Water Bottle and Water Filter Recycling Education**

Did you know? KGCB serves as a recycling bin distribution location for the City of Flint and assists Flint residents with registering for curbside recycling service. Flint residents can also get up-to-date information on water and water filter distribution sites as well as empty bottle and used filter cartridge recycling collection locations and help with setting up recycling at your organization by calling the KGCB office.

**Registering for for-Mar and Other Parks Programs.**

We here at the Genesee County Parks and Recreation Commission value both our longtime visitors and the many people who have just discovered our gorgeous grounds and our awesome programs and events.

As you explore this year’s Family Fun Guide, you will notice some programs and events require pre-registration. Because we can only accommodate a certain number of vehicles or people, we sometimes need to limit registration to ensure we have adequate parking and support staff available — especially for popular events, like our annual events at For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum.

We understand that some visitors who are new to the program registration process may have difficulty finding their way through the process. We would like to share with you how to make the registration process as easy as possible.

To plan your adventures at the Genesee County Parks, use the Family Fun Guide to find programs and events you’re interested in or visit our online calendar at geneseecountyparks.org/calendar. If a program requires pre-registration, follow these steps:

1. Find the event in our online calendar and click on the program you would like to attend.
2. When the event page opens, from the left you will notice a button that says “Register now.” Click it.
3. Either our For-Mar programs or Other Programs programs screen should appear. Use the search options at the top of the page to find the program you desire.
4. A list of programs with details should appear. Click the shopping cart icon to the left of the date and program you want to attend. You will be prompted to login or create an account if you are a new user. Follow the prompts from there. If online registration is not your preferred method, you can also call our reservations department to register for all programs over the phone at 810.767.7100 ext. 6 during normal business hours. You can also visit the reservations desk in person at the Administration Offices at 5045 Stanley Rd, Flint, 48506.

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When you’re looking to travel back in time — and make new memories for tomorrow — Crossroads Village is the perfect destination. Our 21-acre 19th century Village is a realistic representation of life as it was back then. Visit our Village in the summer, you need to make the trip this year. Explore over 30 restored 19th century buildings, amusement rides and authentic narrow-gauge railroad. Here you’ll see first hand what life “way back when” was all about. From the smithing of the iron to the churning of the butter to the pressing of the cider. And so much more. Experience a 40-minute journey behind our authentic locomotives taking you along the shores of Mott Lake, down a stretch of the historic Pere Marquette roadbed and back into the heart of Crossroads Village. Or discover the surprise waiting for you at the Village dock. It’s the beautiful Genesee Belle, a replica of the paddlewheel riverboats that were popular during Mark Twain’s time, and you’re invited on board for a scenic 45-minute cruise around Mott Lake.

Mark your calendar and visit during our special events and themed weekends for additional activities. Visit our website at geneseecountyparks.org/CrossroadsVillage for more information and to purchase tickets.

**MAY**

**MAY 27-29**

**Honorin American Veterans**

All honorees and Active Duty Military Personnel along with one guest will receive free admission to Crossroads Village and a train or boat ride. Everyone can enjoy the day by making a card that will be sent to a hospitalized veteran or added to our square in this 2017 “Memorialization Quilt.” Don’t forget to witness the Flag retirement ceremony on Saturday performed by Troop 129 from Columbusville.

**JUNE**

**JUNE 3**

**Kaleidoscope Day**

This is your chance for a fun family day with activities for the whole family and free admission to Crossroads Village. Tickets by the Huckleberry Railroad. Genese Belle and Village Admission rides are not included in admission and may be purchased separately. This family friendly event is brought to you by your Genesee County Parks, Kohl’s, CRV for Healthy Kids and Hurley Children’s Hospital. Enjoy fitness in a Station, kids crafts, super hero activities and more.

**JUNE 10**

**Fiber Festival**

Alpaca, Sheep, and oh my! Learn about sheep shearing, spinning and weaving, stitching, wool dying and more.

**JUNE 17**

**Celebrate the Millenium**

Come help us celebrate Michigan’s 180th birthday with stories and legends of our great state. The children can even make a Michigan-themed craft. Also enjoy birthday cake while supplies last.

**JUNE 24-25**

**Crossroads Village Mystery Weekend**

(Saturday-Adults, Sunday-Kids)

Mystery lovers, this weekend was created just for you! Follow the clues, uncover the secrets and find out what’s afoot! Adults have the chance to solve a mystery created especially for them.

**JULY**

**JULY 1-9**

**Getting ready for Independence Day Celebration**

Learn about 19th century traditions. Kids can make special Independence Day crafts to take home with them and help with chores in anticipation of the big celebration July 4th. On July 2, there will be a special price on carousel rides to celebrate 1983 opening of the Parker Carousel.

**JULY 4TH**

**Independence Day Celebration**

Childrens parade, the 19th century book Treasure Island comes to life and a special guest Bob the Builder. Purchase your tickets online at ticketweb.com. Special guest Bob the Builder. There is a show and a meet and greet with the special guest. Enjoy ice cream social, midway games, face painting and a flag retirement ceremony.

**JULY 8-9**

**Huckleberry Playtime**

Bring the kids for a day of fun at Crossroads Village. Enjoy jump rope, water play, relay races, old-fashioned games and a craft to take home in addition to all the traditional summer village fun.

**JULY 15-16**

**Gold Rush Weekend**

Kids will have the opportunity to mine for gold at the CRV mining camp and then trade some of their gold in the Crossroads Village Trading Post.

**JULY 22**

**Science Day**

Meet the CRV Artisans and learn how they create their one-of-a-kind handmade items and try your hand at several different artisan crafts.

**AUGUST**

**AUGUST 6-7**

**Railfan Weekend**

This weekend is dedicated to trains and train lovers! Celebrate our famous Huckleberry Railroad with shop tours, demonstrations, model trains and special photo runs. The Train Store is waiting for you with shelves and bins chocked full of great train merchandise. Stop by the hobo village and get your free piece of coal from the white supplies cart.

**AUGUST 12**

**Literary Day — Treasure Island**

Reading was a way for children in the 19th century to escape the everyday hardships of life, a chance to travel, explore, have an adventure, solve a mystery and have fun! On this day, the 19th century book Treasure Island comes to life with pirates, crafts and more. Dress as a pirate to receive a special reward! Standard admission fees apply for this event.

**SEPTEMBER**

**SEPTEMBER 1-4**

**Farewell to Summer Festival**

Join us for an End of Summer Fun day with activities such as demonstrations of the late 19th century inventions that have led us to today’s modern day inventions. Local organizations, groups and schools will be there to spark an interest in science and technology.

**Crossroads Village Agrotourism Weekend**

Meet the CRV Artisans and learn how they create their one-of-a-kind handmade items and try your hand at several different artisan crafts.

**September 29-30**

**Corporate Retreats**

Imagine your company or organization enjoying a 3 day corporate retreat at Crossroads Village. Here we’ll do all the planning and take care of all the details. Your business colleagues will step back in time and experience one of a kind programs that will create a lasting memory for your group.

**October 1-7**

**Farwell to the Riders**

Celebrate our famous Huckleberry Railroad with shop tours, demonstrations, model trains and special photo runs. The Train Store is waiting for you with shelves and bins chocked full of great train merchandise. Stop by the hobo village and get your free piece of coal from the white supplies cart.
PRE-REGISTER AT 800.648.PARK, ext. 6.
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E. A. Cummings Event Center
May 13, 8-10am. Cost: $3 per person.
For ages 16 and older. Pre-registration required.
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
May 13, 9-10am. Cost: $3 per person.
For all ages and abilities. Pre-registration required.
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
May 14, 10-11am. Cost: Free! Pre-registration not required.
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
May 14, 11am-12pm. Cost: Free! Pre-registration not required.
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May 16, 1-2pm. Cost: $3 per student.
For ages 7-12. Pre-registration required by 5/9/17.
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
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**Wolverine Campground**

**May 3 - Oct 29, 2017**

**Site Rates and Amenities**

- **Daily camping rates:** Non-Lakefront $18, Lakefront $23 (Nightly minimum is $18 and $23)
- **West Entrance:** Hours: 8am-8pm (Mon-Sat), 8am-7pm (Sun)
- **East Entrance:** Hours: 8am-8pm (Mon-Sat), 8am-7pm (Sun)
- **Restrooms:** (open during daylight hours)

**Campground Amenities**

- **Pets:** Dogs are allowed. Leash required at all times. Please clean up after your dog.
- **Swimming:** Swimming is not allowed in the campground. Please use the nearest designated swimming area.
- **Trash:** Please dispose of your trash in the designated waste containers.
- **Water:** Drinking water is available at the campground. Please do not use this water for cooking or dishwashing.
- **Propane:** Propane canisters are allowed for cooking purposes only.
- **Outdoor Fires:** Fire rings are provided at each site. Firewood is not provided and must be brought with you.
- **Generators:** Generators are allowed at each site. They must be turned off by 10pm each night.
- **Quiet Hours:** Quiet hours are in effect from 10pm to 7am each night.

**Reservations**

- **Online:** Go to geneseecountyparks.org to make your reservation.
- **Phone:** Call 800-662-PARK (7275) Ext. 6

**For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

- **Art and Nature/For-Mar: Endangered & Threatened Plant Species**
- **For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

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- **Michigan's best camping is just around the corner, at your Genesee County Parks.**
- **Nestled on the north shore of the Holloway Reservoir, Wolverine offers the serenity, natural beauty, and tranquility you desire.**

**For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

- **Knee-High Naturalist: Raindrop's**
  - **Time:** 10-11:30am
  - **Cost:** $3 per student
  - **Pre-registration required by 5/17/17.

**For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

- **Knee-High Naturalist: The Shape of Things**
  - **Time:** 10-11:30am
  - **Cost:** $3 per student
  - **Pre-registration required by 5/17/17.

**For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

- **Wild Adventurers: Vintage in the Village**
  - **Time:** 1:30-3pm
  - **Cost:** Free
  - **Pre-registration required by 5/17/17.

**For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

- **Wild Adventurers: Earth Power!**
  - **Time:** 10-11:30am
  - **Cost:** $3 per student
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**For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

- **Wild Adventurers: The Nose Knows**
  - **Time:** 10-11:30am
  - **Cost:** $3 per student
  - **Pre-registration required by 5/17/17.

**For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

- **Wild Adventurers: Get Your Hands Dirty!**
  - **Time:** 10-11:30am
  - **Cost:** $3 per student
  - **Pre-registration required by 5/17/17.

**For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

- **Wild Adventurers: More Math in Nature**
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For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
The FREE summer playground and lunch program is back! Kids ages 6-12, all abilities, can drop in daily for crafts, pond studies, nature games and all kinds of fun stuff Monday-Friday, June 26-August 25. No program on Saturday, July 4. Time: 11am-3pm. Cost: FREE!
MEET UP AND EAT OUT
Children 5 and older make up the groups at the Summer Food Service Program about 1,000 days straight through the summer. Every child, each day, has the chance to make new friends and try new foods. Pre-registration not required, but parents/guardians must complete a registration form before kids can participate.
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Explore the lives of animals with amazing raies.
Time: 11-10:30am. Cost: $3 per student.
Pre-registration required by 5/20.
WILD ADVENTURES: DYNAMIC DUO!
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Rangers and Robins are pretty real and when you join us for a Moore Nature Preserve Adventure, you’ll find out about another super partnership!
Time: 10-10:30am. Cost: $3 per student.
Pre-registration required by 5/20.
Yoga in Nature
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Everyone can benefit from yoga. This yoga series offers a variety of classes from slow pace yoga to help you unwind, to a heart pumping flow helping you stay fit. Yoga mats are provided. Please bring a comfortable mat, sweater, strap, or even a blanket recommended. Weather permitting.
Time: 11-11:30am. Cost: $3 per person.
Pre-registration required by 5/15.
Shutterbugs: Kids Nature Photography
Suggested for ages 5 and older, all abilities.
Time: 1-2:30pm. Cost: $5 per scout.
Pre-registration required by 6/1.
Welcome to Our Gardens
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Come visit the plants and animals that are the inspiration for our garden and truck farm programs and see how they help the plants grow.
Time: 10:30am-12pm. Cost: $2 per person.
Pre-registration required by 6/1.
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TUESDAY, JUNE 6

AVIAN ADVENTURE: SUMMER BIRD RESIDENCES

Max Brandon Park, Pavilion 2, near MLK and Stewart Ave. Enjoy guided bird walks at the park. The walk will be led by the Audubon Society. Space is limited. Pre-registration required by 6/5/17. Time: 6-7:30pm. Cost: $5 per person. For ages 13 and older, all abilities. For more information, call Andrea Linton at 810.895.1748.

THURSDAY, JUNE 8

YOGA IN NATURE

For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum

Pre-registration not required.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7

WILD ADVENTURES: SECRETS IN THE SOIL

For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum

Pre-registration required by 6/5/17.

SUNDAY, JUNE 10

NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB: ON THE ROAD!

For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum

Pre-registration required by 6/8/17 by calling Andrea at 810.895.1748.

SATURDAY, JUNE 10

ACTIVE NATURE: FINDING Fungi

For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum

Let's wander in the woods and become mycologists! Join us as we search for all the stages of butterfly life in the natural environment on the For-Mar grounds. Proper use of butterfly nets will be demonstrated and nets will be provided. Collected eggs, caterpillars and butterflies will be released into the For-Mar Butterfly House. For ages 12 and older, all abilities. Pre-registration required by 6/17.

SATURDAY, JUNE 10

KIDS FISHING: FAMILY FISHING

Richfield County Park, Rest Station Pavilion

Adults will teach children to fish. It's a great way to spend quality time with your child! The activity is free with the purchase of a $5-10 fishing permit. Pre-registration required by 6/10. Time: 7:30-8:30am. Cost: $5-10 per person. For ages 9-12 and older, all abilities. Pre-registration required.

SATURDAY, JUNE 10

STRAWBERRY MUME CAMPFIRE

Richard County Park, Rest Station Pavilion

All ages welcome! Bring a chair or lawn blanket and enjoy a night out in nature around the campfire. Program begins at 7:30pm; campfire starts at 8pm. Pre-registration required by 6/10. Time: 7:30pm-9pm. Cost: $5 per person. For ages and abilities.

SATURDAY, JUNE 10

ACTIVE NATURE: HIKING FISHING

For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum

Are you ever wanted to hike under the magical gaze of our locale’s most iconic species? Join us in this year’s full moon hike to see the animals that the full moon sets at For-Mar as we hike. Naturalist-led hike will be held in the dark moonlight. Pre-registration required by 6/8. Time: 9:15pm. Cost: $5-10 per person. Pre-registration required not required.
**TUESDAY, JUNE 13**

**Let’s Make It Baby!**

For Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum

Get outside, get active and explore! This program is designed for parents with small children to help encourage a love of the outdoors at a young age. Meet at the Visitor’s Center for stretching and a story before hitting the trails. Dress for the weather! To learn more, visit: https://www.for-mar.org.

For families, suggested for toddlers and older. Pre-registration not required.

Time: 10 am. Cost: $2 per person.

**Knee-High Naturalist: Tree Tales**

For Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum

Trees have stories to tell! Enjoy activities to collect gifts from trees. Pre-registration required by 6/17. To register please contact the For-Mar Nature Center at patchworkspsc.org or 810-677-7140.

Time: 10:30 am. Cost: $3 per student.

**TUESDAY, JUNE 20**

**WERQ™**

Lincoln County Park, Pavilion 4

WERQ™ (pronounced “work”) is a fiercely fun dance fitness class based on today’s pop, rock, and hip-hop music taught by Certified Group Fitness Professional Katie Slaughter. All the moves used in the dances are inspired by current song lyrics and music videos. Come “werq” it with us!

For ages 14 and older, all abilities. Pre-registration not required.

Time: 6-7 pm. Cost: FREE!

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For Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum

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For ages 7-12. Pre-registration required by 6/17.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 15**

**Yoga in Nature**

For Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum

Everyone can benefit from yoga. This yoga series offers a variety of classes from slow yoga poses to help you un-wind to a heart-pumping flow to help you stay fit. Yoga mats are provided, if needed. Optional items including a block, blanket, strap, or even a blanket are suggested. We’ll be held outdoors, weather permitting.

Suggested for ages 12 and older. Pre-registration not required.

Time: 6-7 pm. Cost: $3 per person. Pre-registration required.

**Friday, June 16**

**Treehouse Story Time: To the Trees**

For Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum

The story time will take place outdoors. We will share books, sing songs and make a craft.

For children ages 1 and older. All abilities. Time: 10:30 am. Cost: $3 per child. Pre-registration required by 6/13.

**Saturday, June 17**

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**iBikeParks!**

Bluebell Beach, Pavilion 1

Half-park is your opportunity to get out and ride! We’ll start with a 30-minute bike safety lesson followed by a 1½-hour ride using the trails and bike trails in the park. You can participate even if you don’t have a bike or a helmet because we’ll have them available for you!

For all ages and abilities. Pre-registration not required.

Time: 6-7 pm. Cost: FREE!

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**TUESDAY, JUNE 13**

**Let’s Make It Baby!**

For Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum

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For families, suggested for toddlers and older. Pre-registration not required.

Time: 10 am. Cost: $2 per person.

**Knee-High Naturalist: Tree Tales**

For Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum

Trees have stories to tell! Enjoy activities to collect gifts from trees. Pre-registration required by 6/17. To register please contact the For-Mar Nature Center at patchworkspsc.org or 810-677-7140.

Time: 10:30 am. Cost: $3 per student.

**TUESDAY, JUNE 20**

**WERQ™**

Lincoln County Park, Pavilion 4

WERQ™ (pronounced “work”) is a fiercely fun dance fitness class based on today’s pop, rock, and hip-hop music taught by Certified Group Fitness Professional Katie Slaughter. All the moves used in the dances are inspired by current song lyrics and music videos. Come “werq” it with us!

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Linden County Park

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For all ages and abilities.
Time: 1-2pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

MONDAYS, JUNE 19, 20, JULY 17, 24 & 31 (6 WEEK PROGRAM)
Cooking Matters for Adults
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Cooking and nutrition taught by a chef and nutritionist! We’ll cover topics that include Healthy Snacks, Shopping Smart, Food Safety at Home, Cooking Tips from the Chef, Planning Balanced Meals, Top to Bottom Out and you’ll get FREE groceries and a FREE cookbook so you can make the recipes at home.
For adults. All ages.
Time: 1-3:30pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration required by 6/17. Call or email Victoria Ross at rossvic1@anr.msu.edu or 810.144.8526.

TUESDAY, JUNE 20
Let’s Go for a Walk with For-Mar’s Feathered Fledgling Friends!
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Join a For-Mar Naturalist for a LIVE animal presentation featuring For-Mar’s live frog friends. Learn about Michigan Frogs, including story, activities and time permitting. Class is outside, weather permitting.
For ages 4 and older, all abilities.
Time: 1-2pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

TUESDAY, JUNE 20
Acting OUT with Flint Youth Theatre
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Working with a Flint Youth Theatre Educator, students will create amazing characters and stories from literature and their own imaginations, while working on acting techniques, teamwork, confidence, self-worth and responsibility. Class will be outside, weather permitting.
For ages 5 and older, all abilities.
Time: 1-2pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration is required by 6/7/17.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21
Nature Preserve: Frogs
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Join us as we explore the world of bugs. For-Mar Learn the importance of creating spaces in our gardens for beneficial insects like ladybugs and monarchs. Create your own bug hotel to take home. One bug hotel per family.
For families, suggested for parents with toddlers and older.
Time: 6-7:30pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration is required by 6/17.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21
Try It Day: Weird Fruits and Veggies!
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
We will all see them in the produce section of the grocery store, weird fruits and veggies, and wondered what they taste like and how you’re even supposed to eat them? Right? Here’s your chance to sample and learn all about these weird world! Join the staff from Michigan State University Extension to sample new foods and get new recipes.
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 1-2pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

SATURDAY, JUNE 17
Foregaging
E.A. Cummings Event Center
Do your grocery shopping in the woods! Join Rachel Elrod from WFF Fungi for Food to walk through the park to learn about some of the common edible and medicinal plants that grow in our area. We will identify and discuss 15-20 seasonal plants and mushrooms. Participants are encouraged to bring their own notebook and camera (or smartphone) and notepads.
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 1-3pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

SATURDAY, JUNE 17
Citizen Science: Frog and Toad Survey
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
The Michigan Frog and Toad Survey is organized through the ORM and conducted by citizen scientists like YOU! Join us at night to hear the calls of our 13 native species and how to help monitor and compile the survey.
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 8:30-10pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.
THURSDAY, JUNE 22
Science in the Garden: Wondering about Worms
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum, Children’s Garden
Worms inside the head became a "wormologist" as you dig into the soil to discover what kind of worms live in our garden and learn what they make for such amazing creatures. Create your own worm compost bin to continue your studies at home.
For ages 6-12, all abilities.
Time: 10:11-10:30am. Cost: $3 per person.
Pre-registration required by 6/20/17.

FRIDAY, JUNE 23
Caterpillar Kids: Meet our Monarch
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Join us in the butterfly garden where we will meet the newest For-Mar Superhero, Monarch. Learn about metamorphosis and how you can be a superhero for butterflies, too!
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 12:30-1:30pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

SATURDAY, JUNE 24
Ask the Scientist: Ice Age Mammals
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Ask the Scientist! Ice Age Mammals. Join us in the treehouse as we explore and create simple painting to create a natural masterpiece. This month’s painting theme is dragonflies.
For ages 14 and older, all abilities.
Time: 11am-1pm. Cost: $30 per student.
Pre-registration is required by 6/22/17 by calling Andrea Linton as she teaches step-by-step painting to create a natural masterpiece. This month’s painting theme is dragonflies.
For ages 6-12, all abilities.
Time: 10:11-10:30am. Cost: $3 per person.
Pre-registration required by 6/20/17.

SATURDAY, JUNE 24
Painting in Nature: Dragonfly
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
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For ages 6-12, all abilities.
Time: 10:11-10:30am. Cost: $3 per person.
Pre-registration required by 6/20/17.

SATURDAY, JUNE 24
Treehouse Adventures: Simple Treehouse Machines
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Treehouse Join us in the treehouse as we explore and create simple machines that make a treehouse just a little more fun! Dress to the outside and bring a change of clothes. Please be aware of the weather.
For ages 5 and older, all abilities.
Time: 2:40pm. Cost: $5 per student.
Pre-registration required by 6/22/17.

MONDAY, JUNE 26
We Wear Our Sunglasses at Night
Union County Park, Closer Beach Pavilion
In the 1953 film From My Science Project, a police officer asks character Vincie Latella if he wears his sunglasses at night. He answers, “Because when you’re asleep, the sun shines on you all day.” June 22 is National Sunglasses Day and we’re celebrating by designing a pair of shades that you can wear all summer long!
For ages and abilities.
Time: 7:40pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

MONDAY, JUNE 26
Enhance Fitness
Bluebell Beach, plaza in front of the bathroom
Enhance Fitness is low-impact aerobic exercise designed to increase physical activity for people of all ages and fitness levels. It’s designed to keep you strong, balanced and flexible so you can retain the ability to do all of life’s normal daily activities and it’s taught by certified instructors from the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan.
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 6:30-7:30pm. Cost: $2 per person.
Pre-registration not required.

TUESDAY, JUNE 27
Let’s Hire It Baby!
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Get outside, get active, and explore! This program is designed for parents with small children to help encourage a love of the outdoors at an early age. Meet at the Visitor’s Center for stretching and a story before hitting the trails.
Dress for the weather. To learn more, visit hikeitbaby.com.
For families, suggested for parents with toddlers and older.
Time: 10:11-11:11am. Cost: $2 per person.
Pre-registration not required.

TUESDAY, JUNE 27
Fresh and Fit
Davison Roadside Park, Pavilion
Fresh and Fit is a fun interactive way to teach kids about healthy eating. Kids will learn how to build a plate that is filled with healthy, nutrient dense foods every time they eat. They will also get to play fun games that teach them about hydration, which foods are the best for us and how it affects us. We will feed both sides of this dual personality. Another important aspect of a healthy lifestyle is being active, so after each nutrition game and learn about Michigan’s bountiful summer harvest focusing on a different Michigan grown fruit or veggie each week. Learn about stories, how to choose it in the grocery store and how to prepare a simple recipe with it. Simple cooking skills like safety when cutting, measuring and mixing will be included and the end of the program, kids will be placed into small teams and challenged to create their own recipe with the surprise ingredients along with the fruits and veggies highlighted during the classes. The winning team will be crowned the “Genesee County Parks Fun with Fruits and Veggie Champions” of Summer 2017!
McKinley Park, Villa Center Area
Time: 1:30-3:30pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration required.

TUESDAY, JUNE 27
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Working with a Flint Youth Theatre Educator, students will create amazing characters and stories from literature and film, their own imaginations, while working on acting techniques, teamwork, confidence, self-worth and responsibility. Class will be outside, weather permitting.
For ages 5-11, all abilities.
Time: 1-2pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28
WERQ™ (pronounced “work”) is a fiercely fun dance fitness class based on today’s pop, rock and hip-hop music taught by certified Silver, Gold, Professional and Diamond Levels! All the moves used in the dances are inspired by current song lyrics and music videos. So, come “werq” it with us!
For ages 14 and older, all abilities.
Time: 7:40pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.
TUESDAY, JUNE 27

Yoga for Kids!

Grow your kids one move away to disconnect from these electronic devices, bring them to Yoga! Yoga helps manage stress, builds concentration and increases confidence and positive self image, all growths that every parent or guardian wants for their kids. Bring your pajamas and wear comfortable clothing.

For all ages 2-12, all abilities.

Time: 7:30pm. Cost: FREE!

Pre-registration not required.

SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAMS

The Flushing County Park system and lunch program is back this year ages 4-16, all abilities, can drop in daily for crafts, gardening, nature, games and all kinds of fun stuff! Monday, Friday, June 26-August 25. No program on Tuesday, July 4, 2017.

Tuesday: 11am-3pm. Cost: FREE!

Lunch is served at noon. Pre-registration not required. For registered groups that do not complete a sale line form before kids can participate.

Flushing Beach, Pavilion 7
Davison Roadside Park, Pavilion
Max Brandon Park, Pavilion 2, near MLK and Stewart Ave.
McKinley Park, Vista Center Area.

TUESDAY, JUNE 27

Yoga at the Beach!

Join us at the observation hive for a fun and interactive belly dance class. Learn all about Michigan’s beautiful summer harvest focusing on a different Michigan grown fruit or veggie each week. Learn about it’s nutrition, how to choose it in the grocery store and how to prepare a simple recipe with it. Simple cooking skills like safety when cutting, measuring and mixing will be included. At the end of the program, youth will be placed into small teams and challenged to create a simple recipe using surprise ingredients along with the fruits and veggies highlighted during the classes. The winning team will be crowned the “Genesee County Park’s Fun with Fruits and Veggies Champion!” of Summer 2017!

Flooded Beach, Pavilion
Time: 1:30pm. Cost: FREE!

Davison Roadside Park, Pavilion
Time: 3:30-5:30pm. Cost: FREE!

Pre-registration not required.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

Grow It, Try It, Like It! (Ages 3-6)

Learn all about Michigan’s beautiful summer harvest focusing on a different Michigan grown fruit or veggie each week. Learn about it’s nutrition, how to choose it in the grocery store and how to prepare a simple recipe with it. Simple cooking skills like safety when cutting, measuring and mixing will be included. At the end of the program, youth will be placed into small teams and challenged to create a simple recipe using surprise ingredients along with the fruits and veggies highlighted during the classes. The winning team will be crowned the “Genesee County Park’s Fun with Fruits and Veggies Champion!” of Summer 2017!

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Davison Roadside Park, Pavilion
Time: 3:30-5:30pm. Cost: FREE!

Pre-registration not required.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

Thank you for the Memories!

Learn the most iconic dances through the decades. We’ll kick it off with the Charleston, whoop it up with some Swing, Swim, Jive and Jerk, then boogie on down with Funk, Disco and more! Everyone can benefit from yoga. This yoga series offers a variety of classes from slow pain yoga to help you unwind, to a heat-pumping flow to help you stay fit! Yoga mats are provided, if needed. Optional items including a block, bolster, strap or even a blanket are suggested. We’ll head outdoors, weather permitting.

Suggested for ages 13 and older, all abilities.

Time: 6:30-7:30pm. Cost: FREE!

Pre-registration not required.

THURSDAY, JUNE 29

Dancing Through the Decades

Bring the whole family for an hour of evening fun as we travel back in time to revisit the history and evolution of the most iconic dances of the 20th century! We’ll kick it off with the Charleston, whose hip with some Swing, Swing, Jive and Jerk, then boogie on down with Funk, Disco and more! Dancing is FREE!

Time: 6:30-7:30pm. Cost: FREE!

Pre-registration not required.

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For all ages and abilities.

Time: 7:30-8:30pm. Cost: FREE!

Pre-registration not required.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

For Mar Bonnie Beach, a fun creative way to display photos, postcards, or mementos. Join our expert in-chief Michelle Baker for this fun and easy craft project!

For ages 5 and older or their guardian.

Time: 10:11am. Cost: FREE!

Pre-registration not required.

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

Fresh and Fit!

“Genesee County Parks Fun with Fruits and Veggies Champion!” of Summer 2017!

For all ages and abilities.

Time: 7-8pm. Cost: FREE!

Pre-registration not required.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

Grow It, Try It, Like It! (Ages 7-12)

Explore fruits and vegetables including how they grow and how we eat them! During this class, kids will also be able to taste a yummy recipe using delicious fruits and vegetables.

For all ages and abilities.

Time: 7-8:30pm. Cost: FREE!

Pre-registration not required.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

Belly Dance

Join us at Flooded Beach, Pavilion 5 Bella Dance your way to fitness with Kimberly Warchel-Smith! Join us for this fun, empowering, low impact workout that focuses on toning, strengthening, and toning muscles. Wear comfy clothes and bring your positive attitude!

For all ages and abilities.

Time: 7-8:30pm. Cost: FREE!

Pre-registration not required.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

Summer PlayGround

Jive and Jerk, then boogie on down with Funk, Disco and more! Everyone can benefit from yoga. This yoga series offers a variety of classes from slow pain yoga to help you unwind, to a heat-pumping flow to help you stay fit! Yoga mats are provided, if needed. Optional items including a block, bolster, strap or even a blanket are suggested. We’ll head outdoors, weather permitting.

Suggested for ages 13 and older, all abilities.

Time: 6-7pm. Cost: $3 per adult. Pre-registration not required.

THURSDAY, JUNE 29

Successful Kids=Involved Parents:

SKIP Into Nature Play

Explore the “Genesee County Parks Fun with Fruits and Veggies Champion!” of Summer 2017!

For all ages and abilities.

Time: 7-8pm. Cost: FREE!

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

Functional Fitness Class

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Pre-registration not required.
Lunch is served at noon. Pre-registration not required. Times and places are indicated on the map.

Meet Up and Eat Up

Time: 11am-3pm. Cost: FREE!
2-3pm

Turn the page to explore more For-Mar on The Road events in July

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Shutterbugs: Kids Nature Photography
For Mar Nature Preserve & Adventure
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Supported for ages 5 and older, at all abilities.
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**Wednesday, July 5**
- **For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**
  - **Fishing County Park, Pavilion 5**
  - **For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

**Fishing County Park, Pavilion 5**
- **Catch your space in a peaceful place, the sample family**
  - **Bring your yoga mat and wear comfy clothes**

**For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**
- **Join our nature enthusiasts in the touchscreen as we read**
  - **and discuss Hatchet by Gary Paulsen. Participants will**
  - **receive their own copy of the book with purchase**

**For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**
- **Follow suit!**
- **Time: 12-1:30pm. Cost: $20 per person (includes book)**

**For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**
- **Complete a release form before kids can participate**

**Thursday, July 6**
- **June, 23, 25 & 27**
- **TreeTop Book Club: Hatchet**
  - **For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

**Friday, July 7**
- **Belly Dance**
  - **Fishing County Park, Pavilion 5**

**Saturday, July 8**
- **CitiZens Science: NABA Butterfly Count**
  - **For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

**Sunday, July 9**
- **Invasive Plant Hike**
  - **For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

**FOR-MAR ON THE ROAD NATURE**

**The Most Extreme Animals**
Ages 3-6: Animals have superpower too! Imagine if you could talk to a porcupine or have the ability to float on water. This week, learn all about porcupines, crocodiles, penguins, and sea otters. Come out and learn about some of the most extreme animals! Time: 10am-1pm. Cost: FREE!

**Wild, This Doesn’t Go Here!**
Ages 4-6: Invasive species can cause harm to native plants and animals as well as the environment! Learn about the impacts of some of these invasive species and how you can help by avoiding “don’ts” in your own garden. Time: 11am-12pm. Cost $2 per child and all abilities. Pre-registration is not required.

**MondAy, July 31**
- **2-3pm**
  - **For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

**For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**
- **Truck Farm: Stories in the Garden**

**FOR-MAR ON THE ROAD TRUCK FARM**

**Well, This Doesn’t Go Here!**
Ages 4-6: Invasive species can cause harm to native plants and animals as well as the environment! Learn about the impacts of some of these invasive species and how you can help by avoiding “don’ts” in your own garden. Time: 11am-12pm. Cost $2 per child and all abilities. Pre-registration is not required.

**MONDAY, July 24**
- **11am-12pm**
  - **Bluebell Beach, Pavilion 1**

**MONDAY, July 31**
- **2-3pm**
  - **For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

**JULY 8**
- **4th & 5th Grade Garden**
  - **For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

**SONG OF THE BUTTERFLY**
Ages 4-6: Join us in the garden as we explore the world of butterflies! We’ll be catching, building, and releasing butterflies. Time: 10am-12pm. Cost $15 per family. Pre-registration is required at 716-489-4160.

**Belly Dance**
Belly dance your way to fitness with Kimberly Wacholtz! All for all ages and abilities. Time: 7-8pm. Cost: FREE!

**Sunday, July 9**
- **11am-12pm**
  - **Bluebell Beach, Pavilion 1**

**For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**
- **Spring is the time to focus on flowers, critters, and creating a garden you can enjoy all summer! Time: 10am-12pm. Cost $15 per family. Pre-registration is required at 716-489-4160.**

**CitiZens Science: NABA Butterfly Count**
This year marks the 24th annual North American Butterfly Association’s Butterfly Count. Come learn the basics of butterfly identification and how to collect your own data to add to this national citizen science project. Time: 7am-9pm. Cost: FREE!

**Invasive Plant Hike**
Invasive species are everywhere. These invaders look innocent enough, but they are actually harming our ecosystem. They decrease biodiversity in our plant and wildlife communities. On this hike, we will see the impacts of invasive plants and learn some basic identification skills to help you better understand these devastating plants.

**FOR-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**
- **Truck Farm: Stories in the Garden**

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**Saturday, July 8**

**Bluebell Beach**

**National Park & Recreation Month Celebration**

- **Bluebell Beach**
  - **Event:** National Park & Recreation Month Celebration
  - **Time:** 1:30-2:30pm
  - **Cost:** Free!
  - **Age:** All ages and abilities
  - **Special Notes:** Pre-registration not required.

**Sundridge, Beach, Pavilion 1**

**McKinley Park, Vista Center Area**

**Let's Hike it Baby!**

- **McKinley Park, Vista Center Area**
  - **Event:** Let's Hike it Baby!
  - **Time:** 10:00-11:00am
  - **Cost:** Free!
  - **Age:** For all ages and abilities
  - **Special Notes:** Pre-registration not required.

**Sunday, July 9**

**Bluebell Beach**

**Experience the Flint River**

- **Irish Road Canoe Launch**
  - **Event:** Irish Road Canoe Launch
  - **Time:** 7:00am-10:00am
  - **Cost:** Free!
  - **Age:** For all ages and abilities
  - **Special Notes:** Participants must bring their own life jackets. All paddles are subject to the weather and water conditions. Pre-registration is required by 7/7/17. For more information call 810.767.7740.

**Irish Road Canoe Launch**

**Experience the Flint River**

- **Event:** Irish Road Canoe Launch
  - **Time:** 6:30-7:30pm
  - **Cost:** Free!
  - **Age:** For all ages and abilities
  - **Special Notes:** Pre-registration not required.

**McKinley Park, Vista Center Area**

**Active Naturally: Avian Analysis**

- **Event:** Active Naturally: Avian Analysis
  - **Time:** 11:00am-12:00pm
  - **Cost:** $10 per student
  - **Age:** For ages 16 and older, all abilities
  - **Special Notes:** Pre-registration not required.

**McKinley Park, Vista Center Area**

**Active Naturally: Avian Analysis**

- **Event:** Active Naturally: Avian Analysis
  - **Time:** 1-2pm
  - **Cost:** Free!
  - **Age:** For ages 5 and older, all abilities
  - **Special Notes:** Pre-registration not required.

**Flushing County Park, Pavilion 1**

**Fun for Wild Edibles**

- **Event:** Fun for Wild Edibles
  - **Time:** 7:00-8:00pm
  - **Cost:** Free!
  - **Age:** For all ages and abilities
  - **Special Notes:** Pre-registration not required.

**Flushing County Park, Pavilion 1**

**Foraging for Wild Edibles**

- **Event:** Foraging for Wild Edibles
  - **Time:** 1:00-2:00pm
  - **Cost:** Free!
  - **Age:** For ages 10 and older, all abilities
  - **Special Notes:** Pre-registration not required.
**SUMMER PROGRAMS**

The FRC summer program and lunch program is back! Kids ages 4-11, all abilities, can drop in daily for crafts, gardening, nature, games and all kinds of fun stuff Monday - Friday, June 26-August 25. No program days: Tuesday, July 4, 2017.

**Time:** 11:30 am-3 pm. **Cost:** FREE!

**Lunch is served at noon. Pre-registration required.**

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**WEDNESDAY, JULY 5**

**Grow it, Try it, Like it! (Ages 3-6)**

Grow it, Try it, Like it! (Ages 3-6) - Explore fruits and vegetables including how they grow and how we eat them! During the class, kids will also be able to taste a yummy recipe using delicious fruits and vegetables.

**Time:** 10-11 am. **Pre-registration not required.**

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**FRIDAY, JULY 7**

**Foraging for Wild Edibles (Ages 7-13)**

Foraging for wild edibles is a great way to get in touch with nature, get active, and get healthy! And what better place to learn the basics of foraging than at FOR-Mar Genesee County Park? This one-hour walk will focus on the principles behind wild and sustainable foraging and will introduce you to a variety of edible plants that grow naturally in our ecosystem.

**Time:** 8:30-9:30 am. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.

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**SATURDAY, JULY 8**

**Be a Tourist in Your Home Town (Ages 13-17)**

Be a Tourist in Your Home Town (Ages 13-17) - For just $1.00 per person, tourism participants can purchase a passport, which gives them the opportunity to visit and enjoy many different venues around Flint & Genesee County. For Mac Nature Preserve and Arboretum is just one of the destinations! For ages 13 and older.

**Time:** 1-4 pm. **Cost:** $1 per person.

For more information, visit https://www.flyinthefly.org/convention-activities/be-a-tourist-in-your-home-town/

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**SATURDAY, JULY 15**

**Bat Walk (Free Public Event)**

Bat Walk (Free Public Event) - Join the Flint River Watershed Coalition and the Genesee County Parks! This one-hour walk will focus on the principles behind safe and sustainable foraging and will introduce you to a variety of edible plants that grow naturally in our ecosystem.

**Time:** 8:30-9:30 am. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.

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**SATURDAY, JULY 22**

**Bird Walk (Free Public Event)**

Bird Walk (Free Public Event) - Join the Flint River Watershed Coalition and the Genesee County Parks! This one-hour walk will focus on the principles behind safe and sustainable foraging and will introduce you to a variety of edible plants that grow naturally in our ecosystem.

**Time:** 8:30-9:30 am. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.

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**SATURDAY, JULY 29**

**Foraging for Wild Edibles (Ages 7-13)**

Foraging for Wild Edibles (Ages 7-13) - Foraging for wild edibles is a great way to get in touch with nature, get active, and get healthy! And what better place to learn the basics of foraging than at FOR-Mar Genesee County Park? This one-hour walk will focus on the principles behind wild and sustainable foraging and will introduce you to a variety of edible plants that grow naturally in our ecosystem.

**Time:** 8:30-9:30 am. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.

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**SUNDAY, AUGUST 6**

**Fluttering Field Day (Ages 3-12)**

Fluttering Field Day (Ages 3-12) - The FRC summer program and lunch program is back! Kids ages 4-11, all abilities, can drop in daily for crafts, gardening, nature, games and all kinds of fun stuff Monday - Friday, June 26-August 25. No program days: Tuesday, July 4, 2017.

**Time:** 11:30 am-3 pm. **Cost:** FREE!

**Lunch is served at noon. Pre-registration required.**

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**SUNDAY, AUGUST 13**

**Foraging for Wild Edibles (Ages 7-13)**

Foraging for Wild Edibles (Ages 7-13) - Foraging for wild edibles is a great way to get in touch with nature, get active, and get healthy! And what better place to learn the basics of foraging than at FOR-Mar Genesee County Park? This one-hour walk will focus on the principles behind wild and sustainable foraging and will introduce you to a variety of edible plants that grow naturally in our ecosystem.

**Time:** 8:30-9:30 am. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.

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**SUNDAY, AUGUST 20**

**Foraging for Wild Edibles (Ages 7-13)**

Foraging for Wild Edibles (Ages 7-13) - Foraging for wild edibles is a great way to get in touch with nature, get active, and get healthy! And what better place to learn the basics of foraging than at FOR-Mar Genesee County Park? This one-hour walk will focus on the principles behind wild and sustainable foraging and will introduce you to a variety of edible plants that grow naturally in our ecosystem.

**Time:** 8:30-9:30 am. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.

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**SUNDAY, AUGUST 27**

**Foraging for Wild Edibles (Ages 7-13)**

Foraging for Wild Edibles (Ages 7-13) - Foraging for wild edibles is a great way to get in touch with nature, get active, and get healthy! And what better place to learn the basics of foraging than at FOR-Mar Genesee County Park? This one-hour walk will focus on the principles behind wild and sustainable foraging and will introduce you to a variety of edible plants that grow naturally in our ecosystem.

**Time:** 8:30-9:30 am. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.

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**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9**

**Bird Walk (Free Public Event)**

Bird Walk (Free Public Event) - Join the Flint River Watershed Coalition and the Genesee County Parks! This one-hour walk will focus on the principles behind safe and sustainable foraging and will introduce you to a variety of edible plants that grow naturally in our ecosystem.

**Time:** 8:30-9:30 am. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.

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**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16**

**Bat Walk (Free Public Event)**

Bat Walk (Free Public Event) - Join the Flint River Watershed Coalition and the Genesee County Parks! This one-hour walk will focus on the principles behind safe and sustainable foraging and will introduce you to a variety of edible plants that grow naturally in our ecosystem.

**Time:** 8:30-9:30 am. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.

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**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**

**Bird Walk (Free Public Event)**

Bird Walk (Free Public Event) - Join the Flint River Watershed Coalition and the Genesee County Parks! This one-hour walk will focus on the principles behind safe and sustainable foraging and will introduce you to a variety of edible plants that grow naturally in our ecosystem.

**Time:** 8:30-9:30 am. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.

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**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**

**Bat Walk (Free Public Event)**

Bat Walk (Free Public Event) - Join the Flint River Watershed Coalition and the Genesee County Parks! This one-hour walk will focus on the principles behind safe and sustainable foraging and will introduce you to a variety of edible plants that grow naturally in our ecosystem.

**Time:** 8:30-9:30 am. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.
SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAMS

The FREE summer playground program is back! Kids ages 4-11, all abilities, can drop in daily for crafts, gardening, nature, games and more. Each staff member Thursday, Friday, June-26-August 25. No program on Tuesday, July 4, 2017.

Time: 11:30am-3pm. Cost: FREE!
Lunch is served at noon. Pre-registration not required, but guests are requested to complete a self-care form before kids can participate.

Linden County Park

MONDAY, JULY 17
Jub-Jax Wars: 4th Annual Battle of the Boys
Time: 1-2pm. Cost: FREE! Pre-registration not required.

MONDAY, JULY 17
Beach Volleyball! Whatever float your boat! Teams will be given a box of stuff and 45 minutes to create a boat! Compete to see which boat floats the farthest.
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 7-8pm. Cost: FREE! Pre-registration not required.

MONDAY, JULY 17
Foraging for Wild Edibles
Time: 9-10pm. Cost: $1.50 per person.
Pre-registration not required.

SUNDAY, JULY 16
Nature Mindfulness & Meditation
Time: 1-2pm. Cost: FREE! Pre-registration not required.

SUNDAY, JULY 16
Nature Mindfulness & Meditation
Join Todd Robinson, a mindfulness and meditation master with more than 30 years of experience, for weekly meditations on the grounds of For-Mar. During each session, you will have a chance to relax with nature while learning useful, everyday, stress-relieving techniques.
We suggest participants bring something comfortable to sit on and dress appropriately for the weather.
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 1-2pm. Cost: FREE! Pre-registration not required.

TUESDAY, JULY 18
Let’s Have It Baby! Simple cooking skills like safety when cutting, measuring and mixing will be included. At the end of the program, youth will be placed into small teams and challenged to create a simple recipe using surprise ingredients along with their own imaginations.

Pre-registration not required.

TUESDAY, JULY 18
Grow It, Try It, Like It! (Ages 2-4)
Explore fruits and vegetables including how they grow and how we eat them! During the class, kids will also be able to taste a variety of fruits and vegetables.
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 3:30-5:30pm. Cost: FREE! Pre-registration not required.

SUNDAY, JULY 16
National Parks & Recreation Month Celebration!
Explore the diverse landscapes and climates that are found in the national parks. Learn about the different animals and plants that can be found in these amazing places.
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 6:30-7:30pm. Cost: FREE! Pre-registration not required.

TUESDAY, JULY 18
BeMoved!
Dance your way to fitness. BeMoved! works on a different musical genre and class begins with easy to follow therapeutic movements that integrate the upper and lower body. The movement flows into fun and engaging dance combinations, sure to engage everyone from first time dancers to professionals.
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 7-8pm. Cost: FREE! Pre-registration not required.

TUESDAY, JULY 18
Hybrid!
Linden County Park, Pavilion 1
elor in Dutton’s Farm in the last half of the program.

Pre-registration not required.

TUESDAY, JULY 18
Linden County Park, Pavilion 4
Hybrid! (programmed “work”) is a fun, fun dance fitness class based on today’s hip, pop and hip-hop music taught by Certified Group Fitness Professional Katie Stagner. All the moves used in the dance are inspired by current song lyrics and music videos. “Come swayin’ it with us!”
For ages 14 and older, all abilities.
Time: 7-8pm. Cost: FREE! Pre-registration not required.
WednesdAy, July 19
Mott Lake
Pre-registration not required.
For all ages and abilities.

Belly Dance your way to fitness with Kimberly Warchol-
Time: 7-8pm. Cost: FR EE!

Fun with Fruits and Veggies (Ages 7-12)
Explore fruits and vegetables including how they
Time: 6-7:30pm. Cost: FR EE!

Grow it, Try it, Like it! (Ages 3-6)
Learn all about Michigan’s plentiful harvest
Time: 1-2pm. Cost: FR EE!

Belly Dance
Flushing County Park, Pavilion 2
Belly dance your way to fitness with Kimberly Warcho-
Pre-registration not required.

ThURsdAy, July 20
McKinley Park, Vista Center Area
Open for the botanical wonders hidden in plain sight.
Time: 7-8pm. Cost: FR EE!

For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Bat Walk
Flushing County Park, Pavilion 1
Join us on a nocturnal walk around the park to see their
Pre-registration required.

FRidAy, July 21
McKinley Park, Vista Center Area
Join us as the sun sets and we head into the night.
Time: 7-8pm. Cost: FR EE!

McKinley Park, Vista Center Area
Fresh and Fit! is a fun interactive way to teach kids about
Time: 1-2pm. Cost: FR EE!

Davison Roadside Park, Pavilion
Bring the whole family for an hour of evening fun as we
Time: 7:15-8:15pm. Cost: FR EE!

Kids Fishing Club
Flushing County Park, field in front of Pavilion 1
Each participant will build and take home a collection of 12
Pre-registration required by 7/19/17.

Kids Fishing Club
McKinley Park, Vista Center Area
Join Bill Heyworth as he teaches us about the many
time. This transformation was partly due to the planting of hardy trees and shrubs. Join us in a walk and identify the plants of yesteryear and
take part in different physical activity games and challenges.
For ages 4-18, all abilities.
Pre-registration required.

For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Successful Kids=Involved Parents:
Skip into Nature Play
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Join us at For-Mar to explore nature. Come allow your child
to socialize with other children all while gaining knowledge
Time: 7-8pm. Cost: FR EE!

For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Successful Kids=Involved Parents:
Come Let’s Play in Nature Play
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Join us as For-Mar in explore nature. Come allow your child
to socialize with other children all while gaining knowledge
Time: 1-2pm. Cost: FR EE!

For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Successful Kids=Involved Parents:
Eat, Shop, Try, Learn It! (Ages 7-12)
Explore fruits and vegetables including how they
time. This transformation was partly due to the planting of hardy trees and shrubs. Join us in a walk and identify the plants of yesteryear and
take part in different physical activity games and challenges.
For ages 4-18, all abilities.
Pre-registration required.

For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
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Explore fruits and vegetables including how they
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take part in different physical activity games and challenges.
For ages 4-18, all abilities.
Pre-registration required.

McKinley Park, Vista Center Area
Join us as the sun sets and we head into the night.
Time: 7-8pm. Cost: FR EE!
SUNDAY, JULY 23
National Park & Recreation Month Celebration
\(\text{\textbullet\ For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum} \)
\(\text{\textbullet\ Fish for Fun} \)
\(\text{\textbullet\ Bluebell Beach, plaza in front of the bathhouse} \)
June is National Park and Recreation Month and we’re going to celebrate with kids at all four! Join us for bounce houses, ladder ball, bubbles, and other family fun activities. We’re also celebrating World Jump Day! If you have a bounce house, aren’t shy about jumping for you, we’re adding in sack races, hopscotch, and jump ropes! For all ages and abilities. Time: 3:30-7:30 pm. Cost: Free! Pre-registration not required.

MONDAY, JULY 24
Enhance Fitness
\(\text{\textbullet\ For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum} \)
\(\text{\textbullet\ Fish for Fun} \)
\(\text{\textbullet\ Bluebell Beach, plaza in front of the bathhouse} \)
Enhance Fitness Enhance Fitness offers an important and overall exercise designed to increase physical activity for people of all ages and fitness levels. It’s designed to keep you safe, balanced and flexible so you can enjoy all of the daily activities. It’s taught by certified instructors from the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan. For all ages and abilities. Time: 12-2:30 pm. Cost: Free! Pre-registration not required.

MONDAY, JULY 24
Jump Banz: Into the Wild Blue Yonder Challenge
\(\text{\textbullet\ Linden County Park, Vista Center Area} \)
\(\text{\textbullet\ Dodge Roadside Park, Pavilion 5} \)
\(\text{\textbullet\ Bluebell Beach, plaza in front of the bathhouse} \)
Keep those wings, legs and tears trained! Teams will be given a base of supplies and 45 minutes to create something that rocks! Concepts to see if your creation can actually stay in the air and how far it travels. For all ages and abilities. Time: 3-5 pm. Cost: Free! Pre-registration not required.

TUESDAY, JULY 25
Let’s LItte It Baby! \(\text{\textbullet\ For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum} \)
Get outside, get active and explore! This program is designed for parents with small children to help encourage a love of the outdoors at a young age. Meet at the Visitor’s Center for spécialisé story before hitting the trails. Dress for the weather. To learn more, visit the babycom.com. For families, supported for toddlers and babies. Time: 10:15 am. Cost: $2 per person. Pre-registration not required.

TUESDAY, JULY 25
Grow It, Try It, Like It! \(\text{\textbullet\ For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum} \)
\(\text{\textbullet\ Fish for Fun} \)
\(\text{\textbullet\ Bluebell Beach, plaza in front of the bathhouse} \)
Explore fruits and vegetables including how they grow and how we eat them! During this class, kids will also be able to taste a yummy recipe using delicious fruits and vegetables. For all ages and abilities. Time: 1-3 pm. Cost: $5 per person. Pre-registration required by 7/20/17.

TUESDAY, JULY 25
Grow It, Try It, Like It! \(\text{\textbullet\ For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum} \)
\(\text{\textbullet\ Fish for Fun} \)
\(\text{\textbullet\ Bluebell Beach, plaza in front of the bathhouse} \)
Explore fruits and vegetables including how they grow and how we eat them! During this class, kids will also be able to taste a yummy recipe using delicious fruits and vegetables. For all ages and abilities. Time: 11am-1pm. Cost: $30 per student. Pre-registration required by 7/20/17 by calling Andrea at 810-237-1748.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26
Honeybee KIDS: How is Honey Made?
\(\text{\textbullet\ For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum} \)
Join us at the observation hive for a fun & interactive kid friendly honey bee program. Learn about honeybees and how they make the honey we all LOVE! For Mar Bee Keeper John Panush to answer questions. For all ages and abilities. Time: 12:30-1:30 pm. Cost: Free! Pre-registration not required.
WEDNESDAY, JULY 26
Citizen Science: Herp Hunters- Reptiles
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
For-Mar is home to a variety of snake and turtle species from snapping turtles to the always smiling Warbling Tree. Let’s learn about them and put your knowledge to work on the trails of For-Mar as we look for gator cactus, painted turtles, not banded snakes and more! All species are fixed during this program and will be added to the Michigan Herp Atlas. For all ages and abilities.
Time: 4:30pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26
Card Making: Christmas and Birthday
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Max Brandon Park, Pavilion 2, near MLK and Stewart Ave.
McKinley Park, Vista Center Area
Davison Roadside Park, Pavilion
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 7:45pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

THURSDAY, JULY 27
Yoga for Families
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Yoga mats are provided, if needed. Optional items including a towel, block, strap, or even an blanket are suggested. Will be held outdoors, weather permitting.
Time: 6:30-8pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

FRIDAY, JULY 28
Backyard Naturalist: Birds and Butterflies
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
McKinley Park, Vista Center Area
For ages 5 and older, all abilities.
Time: 1-3pm. Cost: $3 per person.
Pre-registration required by 7/27/17.

SATURDAY, JULY 29
Yoga in Nature
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Yoga for Families
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
8:15-9:15pm. Cost: $12 per hour. Ready, set, flow! Enhance Fitness is low-impact aerobic exercise designed to increase physical activity for people of all ages and fitness levels. It’s designed to keep you strong, balanced and flexible so you retain the ability to do all of your normal daily activities and it’s taught by certified instructors from the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan.
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 6:30-7:30pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

SATURDAY, JULY 29
Sweat the Beach, play in front of the Beachhouse Enhance Fitness is low-impact aerobic exercise designed to increase physical activity for people of all ages and fitness levels. It’s designed to keep you strong, balanced and flexible so you retain the ability to do all of your normal daily activities and it’s taught by certified instructors from the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan.
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 3:30-4:30pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

MONDAY, JULY 31
Backyard Naturalist: Birds and Butterflies
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
For ages 5 and older, all abilities.
Time: 10-11:30am. Cost: $3 per person.
Pre-registration not required.

THURSDAY, JULY 27
Yoga in Nature
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Yoga mats are provided, if needed. Optional items including a towel, block, strap, or even an blanket are suggested. Will be held outdoors, weather permitting.
Time: 6:30-8pm. Cost: $12 per hour. Ready, set, flow! Enhance Fitness is low-impact aerobic exercise designed to increase physical activity for people of all ages and fitness levels. It’s designed to keep you strong, balanced and flexible so you retain the ability to do all of your normal daily activities and it’s taught by certified instructors from the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan.
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 6:30-7:30pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

SATURDAY, JULY 29
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For all ages and abilities.
Time: 6:30-7:30pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

SATURDAY, JULY 29
Firefly Hike
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Come light up with firefly knowledge. We are learning about fireflies and the end urban light pollution that is harming them. Build your very own firefly holder and take a night hike so we can catch and view fireflies.
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 8-9:30pm. Cost: $3 per person.
Pre-registration required by 7/27/17.

SUNDAY, JULY 30
National Park & Recreation Month Celebration
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Join us for our 5th Annual Love Your Lake and we’re going to celebrate with lots of fun! Join us for bounce houses, ladder ball, bubbles, and other family fun activities. Did you know that World Ranger Day is July 27? Take some time to talk to our Park Ranger and Park Naturalists to get an understanding of their role in our park system. After learning what they do, you’ll get to make your own ranger outfit.
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 3:30-7:30pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration required by 7/27/17.

MONDAY, JULY 31
Enhance Fitness
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Yoga for Families
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
7:15-8:15pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

THURSDAY, JULY 27
4th Annual Love Your Lake
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
McKinley Park, Vista Center Area
Join the First Flies Watershed Coalition and the Genesee County Parks and Recreation Commission for an evening of kayaking, natural history talks, pollution experiments and learning the science behind them, as you paddle alongside the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan.
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 5-7:30pm. Cost: $5 per person.
Pre-registration required by 7/27/17.
MEET UP AND EAT UP

Children can get the week's meal at the Fun Food Service Program, 7-10:30 a.m. through the summer. One can get nutrition education from Heart, Brain and Guts Clubs, vacant lots, recreation centers, churches. Parents can place boxes of food, which are a great way to get kids to eat, there can be a site.

The Meet Up and Eat Up Summer Food Service Program provides places where children 18 and younger can "Meet Up" with friends, and "Eat Up" to get a nutritious meal daily for crafts, gardening, nature, games and all kinds of fun. Stop in today! Meet-Up on Friday, June 26-August 25. No program on Sunday, July 4, 2017.

Time: 7-8pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1
Let's take the trails in search of our winged friends, birds and butterflies. Let's see if there are any butterflies or birds you've never heard of before. Meet at the Visitor's Center for stretching and a story before hitting the trails. Dress for the weather. To learn more, visit michigan.org.

For families, suggested for parents with toddlers and older.
Time: 10-11am. Cost: $2 per person.
Pre-registration not required.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1
Grow It, Try It, Like It! (Ages 3-6)
Explore fruits and vegetables including how they grow and how we eat them! During the class, kids will also be able to taste a yummy recipe using delicious fruits and vegetables.

Fun with Fruits and Vegetables (Ages 7-12)
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Time: 11am-12pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

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I Love Max Brandon Park: History of the Park
Max Brandon Park, Pavilion 2, near MLK and Stewart Ave.
Let's take a walk through history as we explore Max Brandon Park's past through games, crafts and a naturalist led hike.
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 1:30-3:30pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

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Fun with Fruits and Veggies (Ages 7-12)
Come out to For-Mar's Monarch Festival on August 12, we'll learn all about what makes a butterfly the perfect pollinator, from their life cycle stages. Ages 7-12. Butterflies in the garden are there to help us out. Come learn how pollinators make our garden thrive through the natural food web in our garden at the Monarch Festival. The Monarch Festival is for ages 7-12 and older, all abilities.
Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

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TUESDAY, AUGUST 1
Fresh and Fit
Davison Roadside Park, Pavilion
Fresh and Fit is a fun interactive way to teach kids about healthy eating. Kids will learn the food to fill their plates with healthy, nutrient dense foods every time they eat. They will also get to play fun games that teach them about hydration, which foods are the best for an all-day foods we should limit in our diet. Another important aspect of a healthy lifestyle is being active, so after each nutrition lesson, kids will take part in different physical activity games and challenges.
For ages 4-6, all abilities.
Time: 1.20pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

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Acting Out with Flint Youth Theatre
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TUESDAY, AUGUST 1
BeMoved!
Flushing County Park, Pavilion 7
Dance your way to fitness with BeMoved™. Each week focuses on a different musical genre and dance begins with easy to follow therapeutic movements that integrate the upper and lower body. The movement flows into fun and engaging dance routines, sure to inspire everyone from first-time dancers to professionals.
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 7-8pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1
Backyard Naturalist: Birds and Butterflies
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Adventure
Flushing County Park, Pavilion 7
Let's take to the trails in search of our winged friends, birds and butterflies. Learn basic identification skills as you search for these flying beauties.
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 7-8pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1
WERO™
Linden County Park, Pavilion 4
WERO™ (pronounced "we-er") is a fiery fun dance fitness class based on today's pop, rock and hype music taught by Certified Group Fitness Professional, Katelyn Slaughter. All the moves used in the dances are inspired by current song and music videos. Come "nerve it" with us!
For ages 14 and older, all abilities.
Time: 7-8pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.
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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22
Mony Duck
Flushing County Park, Pavilion 5
Bring your recycled toilet paper tubes and we'll teach you how to make a beehive in your yard! Part of the nationwide Clean Science Project. You'll learn why this project is so important and then take your home to catch bees in your own backyard so you can then the Backyard Bees organization. Learn more about this project at Backyardbees.org/ 

How to train your bees, their climate needs, and the healthy foods they eat. And yes, they are actually pretty amazing! Come meet some creatures from the hive and learn about the importance of the bees, by taking home our new bee friends! For ages 5-13, all abilities.

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22
Try It Day: Weird Fruits and Veggies!
Davison Roadside Park, Pavilion 2

Ages 4-6: The ocean is a giant body of water filled with thousands of hidden treasures. Join in an underwater exploration on what the oceans have to offer from tiny creatures to giant whales. This is a great opportunity to explore the underwater world and the而且在一张照片中的地点.

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For ages 3-6: It's time to get your hands dirty by making your own animal scat. For all abilities.

Cost: Free! Pre-registration not required.

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 5

Treetop Book Club: Into the Wild
For Mar Nature Preserve & Adventure
Join fellow nature enthusiasts in the treehouse as we read and discuss Into the Wild by Jon Krakauer. Participants will receive their own mini copy of the book with paid registration. For ages 13+ older, all abilities.
Time: 12:30pm. Cost: $10 per person. Pre-registration not required.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 8

Grow It, Try It, Like It! (Ages 3-6)
For Mar Nature Preserve & Adventure
Get outside, get active, and explore! This program is designed to get parents with toddlers and older involved in a love of the outdoors at a young age. Meet at the Visitor’s Center for a kick start and a story before hitting the trails. Dress for the weather. To learn more, visit hikeitbaby.com.
Time: 11am-12pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15

For Mar Nature Preserve & Adventure
Join For Mar’s favorite beekeeper, Jim Withers from Withers Mountain Honey Farm, as he opens up our learning hives to check on our busy bee friends. Meet at the apiary in Davison Roadside Park, Pavilion 4.
Time: 1:30-2:30pm. Cost: $3 per person. Pre-registration required by 8/11/17.

SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAMS

The FREE summer playground and lunch program is back! Kids ages 4-18, all abilities, can drop in daily for crafts, gardening, nature, games and all kinds of fun! Two programs: Monday, Friday, June 26-August 25. No program on Tuesday, July 4, 2017.
Time: 11am-3pm. Cost: FREE!
Lunch is served at noon. Pre-registration required for Each child must complete 2 playground form before kids can participate.

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Tuesdays at Five: Weird Fruits and Veggies!!!
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TUESDAY, AUGUST 8
I Love Max Brandon Park: Wildlife in the Park
Max Brandon Park, Pavilion 2, near MLK and Stewart Ave
Max Brandon Park is filled with wonderful wildlife. Let’s explore the park in search of these amazing critters and the clues they have left behind, through games, crafts and a naturalist led hike.
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 1:30-2:30 pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9
Grow It, Try It, Like It! (Ages 3-6) *NEW*
Flushing County Park, Pavilion 4
Explore fruits and vegetables in fun and engaging ways to encourage healthy eating. This is a great opportunity to try something new and different. For all ages and abilities.
Time: 1:30-2:30 pm. Cost: FREE!
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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9
Stewart Ave.
E.A. Cummings Event Center
Before beds start the fall migration, join us on a hike through the Genesee Recreation Area to look for the summer feathered residents of Michigan. Bring a pair of binoculars and learn about the species you are likely to see. Pre-registration not required.
Time: 7-8 pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9
Pre-registration not required.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10
Dancing Through the Decades
Davison Roadside Park
Bring the whole family for an hour of fun! As we travel back in time to revisit the history and evolution of the most iconic dances through the decades. We’ll kick it off with 1920s Charleston, swing into 30s with some Swingin’, 40s, 50s, and 60s. Grab your partner and dress to impress! Feeling daring? Wear those vintage clothing you refuse to let go of! For ages 14 and older, all abilities.
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SATURDAY, AUGUST 12
Nature Photography Class: On the Road
Davison Roadside Park
Calling all photographers! For all who have an interest in nature photography. Whether you are a beginner or experienced, our classes will teach you how to capture the many aspects of nature. All ages and abilities. Pre-registration required.
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FRIDAY, AUGUST 11
Pre-registration not required.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12
Nature Photography Class: On the Road
Davison Roadside Park
Calling all photographers! For all who have an interest in nature photography. Whether you are a beginner or experienced, our classes will teach you how to capture the many aspects of nature. All ages and abilities. Pre-registration required.
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FRIDAY, AUGUST 11
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For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum

**SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAMS**

The FREE summer playground and lunch program is back! Kids ages 4-14, all abilities, can drop in daily for crafts, gardening, nature games and lots of fun stuff Monday-Friday, June 26-August 25. No program on Tuesday, July 4, 2017.

**Time:** 11:30am-3pm. **Cost:** FREE! Lunch is served at noon. Pre-registration not required, but registrations are given on a first-come, first-served basis. Complete a separate form before kids can participate.

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 19**

**Kids Fishing Club**

**Time:** 9am. **Cost:** FREE

Pre-registration not required.

Looking to learn something new or continue your fishing passion? Bring your rod and we'll supply the bait. This will be a short lesson covering the basics like how to know your equipment and how to use it. We'll work to the water's edge for ages 4-14. All abilities.

**Scouting Outing: Geocaching 101**

**McKinley Park, Vista Center Area**

**Time:** 7-8pm. **Cost:** FREE!

Pre-registration required by 8/17/17. To register please call 810.767.7140.

For all ages and abilities.

**MONDAY, AUGUST 21**

**Enhance Fitness**

**For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

For our trees and shrubs can have huge impacts on their health, both good and bad. Join us as we explore the basics behind proper planting and some of the contents you can take for the trees. Kay Siegel, from Ozen Tree Service, will debunk many of the myths behind the facts, what, when, and how of tree and shrub fertilization.

**Time:** 10-11:30am. **Cost:** $3 per person. Pre-registration required by 8/17/17.

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 19**

**Active Nature - Horticulture Hunt**

**For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

How many reptiles and amphibians can we find or touch? Join us as we travel around the ponds and along the creeks at For-Mar to catch a glimpse of our water-loving residences. Dress for the weather.

For active older adults.

**Time:** 9:30-10am. **Cost:** $5 per person. Pre-registration required by 8/17/17.

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 20**

**7th Annual Catfish for a Cause Tournament - Honeywell Reserve Edition**

**Wayne Peirce Boat Launch**

One fish, two fish, there is still too many catfish in the Honeywell Reserve! A fundraiser to benefit a fish you will want to catch a special tournament! The participants caught 181 catfish with a total weight of 137 lbs. 1st Place went to Scott Houston who weighed in 72.97 lbs of fish, 2nd Place was Troy Grabowski with 47.12 lbs. 3rd Place went to Tom Smith and 11 lbs 5 oz. The winner of the Single Heaviest Fish was Cody Dargan with a weigh of 15 lbs! Go home, can you put all these numbers together? For ages 4 and abilities.

**Time:** 9am. **Cost:** There's no tournament entry fee, but purchase of a parking permit is required to enter the facility. Registration begins at 9am and fishing starts at 7am. Weigh-in is at 4pm.

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 20**

**Kayaking in the Parks: Nature in the City**

**Buy Road Fishing Site, Canoe Launch**

Join the Flint River Watershed Coalition and For Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum as we enjoy a unique nature tour along the Flint River that winds from urban to rural. This 2 1/2 hour paddle will launch from the Buy Road launch and end at Vietnam Veterans Park in Flint. We will be joined by a river guide from the FRWC and a naturalist from For-Mar who will assist in identifying all the wildlife we see along the way. This is a not too strenuous see of the Flint River, taking us from the woods into the city.

**Participants ages 10 and older can paddle by themselves. Younger children can participate in the rowing with an adult.**

**Time:** 10am. **Cost:** $25 per participant. All paddles are subject to the water and weather conditions. Pre-registration is required by 8/17/17. To register please contact the Flint River Watershed Coalition at flintriver.org or 810.767.7140.

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 20**

**Nature Mindfulness & Meditation**

**For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

Join Todd Robinson, a mindfulness and meditation master with more than 30 years of experience, for weekly meditations on the grounds at For-Mar. During each session, you will have a chance to relax with nature while learning useful, every day, stress-relieving techniques. We suggest participants bring something comfortable to sit on and dress appropriately for the weather.

**For all ages and abilities.**

**Time:** 1:20pm. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 22**

**Let’s Make A Rod and Reel**

**Max Brandon Park, Pavilion 2, near MLK and Stewart Ave.**

Clean up, close up everything. Join us as we learn about the many ways we can help take care of our park for both our wildlife friends and us. For ages 4-18. All abilities.

**Time:** 1:30-2:30pm. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 22**

**Fertilizing our trees and shrubs can have huge impacts on their health, both good and bad! Join us as we explore the science of soil conditioning.**

**For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

For ages 16 and older, all abilities.

Dress for the weather.

Pre-registration not required by 8/17/17. To register please call 810.767.7140.

**Time:** 7-8pm. **Cost:** $3 per person. Pre-registration required by 8/17/17.

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 22**

**Fresh and Fit!**

**Davison Roadside Park, Pavilion**

Fresh and Fit is a fun and interactive way to teach kids about Healthy eating. Kids will learn the best way to fill their plates with healthy, nutrient dense foods every time they eat. They will also get to play a game that teaches them about hydration, which foods are the best for us and which foods we should limit in our diets. Another important aspect of a healthy lifestyle is being active, so after our nutrition lesson, kids will take part in fun physical activity games and challenges.

**For ages 4-18. All abilities.**

**Time:** 1:20pm. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 22**

**Max Brandon Park, Pavilion 2: Caring for Your Park**

**Max Brandon Park, Pavilion 2, near MLK and Stewart Ave.**

Join us as we learn about the many ways we can help take care of our park for both our wildlife friends and us. For ages 4-18. All abilities.

**Time:** 1:30-2:30pm. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.

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**TUESDAY, AUGUST 22**

**Energize Fitness**

**Linden County Park, Clover Beach Pavilion**

Time: 10am. Cost: $25 per participant. All paddles are subject to the water and weather conditions. Pre-registration is required by 8/17/17. To register please contact the Flint River Watershed Coalition at flintriver.org or 810.767.7140.

**For ages 4 and abilities.**

**Time:** 1:20pm. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23**

**Belly Dance**

**Flushing County Park, Pavilion 5**

Belly Dance your way to fitness with Kimberly Watcho-Smith. Join us for fun, empowering, low impact workout that focuses on locating, strengthening and toning muscles. Wear comfy clothes and bring your positive attitude! For adults.

**Time:** 7pm. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.

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**Time:** 7pm. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 24**

**Let’s Hike It Baby!**

**For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

Join a naturalist on a guided tour of the entire preserve! Our commitment is to provide a safe and memorable hiking experience. A family-friendly hike led by Certified Group Fitness Professional Katie Slaughter. All class based on today’s pop, rock and hip-hop music taught with a fun, easy-to-follow therapeutic movements that integrate the whole body. This 1.5 hour program combines the benefits of physical fitness with the benefits of music and rhythm for a dynamic and fun way to work toward your fitness goals. All you need is an exercise mat or blanket and wear comfy clothes.

**For all ages and abilities.**

**Time:** 12:30-1:30pm. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 24**

**Get a Move on an Animal**

**For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum**

Get active and explore! This program is designed for parents with small children to help encourage a love of the outdoors at a young age. Meet at the Visitor’s Center for stretching and a story before hitting the trails. Dress for the weather. To learn more, visit flintriver.org. For families, suggested ages 2-5 years old, all abilities.

**Time:** 10am. **Cost:** $2 per person. Pre-registration not required.

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 24**

**Drums Alive**

**Davison Roadside Park, Pavilion**

Grateful dance, ball, dust off, inflated and it falls into 1st grade fun! It’s time for Drums Alive® with Marie Jones-Watts. This program combines the benefits of physical fitness with the benefits of music and rhythm for a dynamic and fun way to move. Anyone can join in to move your body, dance and drum! Dress for the weather. For all ages and abilities.

**Time:** 7pm. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.

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**Time:** 7pm. **Cost:** FREE! Pre-registration not required.
THURSDAY, AUGUST 24

Treehouse Adventures: Tree-hugging 101
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Treehouse trees need hugs too. Join us in the treehouse as we explore the beauty of leaves from their many parts to their cookies. We will be walking through to meet many Michigan trees up close and personal.
For ages 5 and older, all abilities. Time: 2:30-3:30pm Cost: $3 per person. Pre-registration required via 517.397.2711.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

Household Hazardous Waste Collection
City of Flint Water Service Center
Keep Genesee County Beautiful partners with the City of Flint and Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission to conduct Household Hazardous Waste Collection events every summer. The collection will be held at the City of Flint Water Service Center located at 3,130 East Court St. across from Consumers Energy, for a complete list of items accepted at the household hazardous waste collections, visit our website at www.greenflint.net.
For all Genesee County residents. Time: 10am-2pm. Cost: Free! Pre-registration not required.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27

Bluegill Boat Launch
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum, Treehouse
1080 E. Genesee Rd.
Flushing, MI 48433

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27

Belly Dance
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
beauty and physical abilities.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

Drums Alive
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Join in the fun and learn to drum on your own.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

Werq™
Linden County Park, Pavilion 4
WERQ™ (pronounced “work”) is a fiercely fun dance fitness class based on today’s top pop, rock and hip-hop music taught by certified Group Fitness Professional Kate Lott. The moves used in the dance are inspired by current song lyrics and music videos. Come “werq” it out for all ages and abilities. Time: 7-8pm. Cost: $3 per person. Pre-registration required via 517.397.2711.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

Let’s Go in Baby!
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Get outside, get active and explore! This program is designed for parents with small children to help encourage a love of the outdoors at a young age. Meet at the Visitor’s Center for stretching and a story before hitting the trail. Dress for the weather. To learn more, visit For-Mar.com. For families, suggested for parents with toddlers and older. Time: 10-11am. Cost: Free! Pre-registration not required.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

BeMoved!
Flushing County Park, Pavilion 5
Dance your way to fitness with BeMoved! Each week focuses on a different musical genre and classes begin with easy-to-follow therapeutic movements that integrate the upper and lower body. The movement flows into fun and engaging dance combinations, sure to inspire anyone from first-time dancers to professionals.
For all ages and abilities. Time: 7-8pm. Cost: Free! Pre-registration not required.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

Yoga for Families
Flushing County Park, Pavilion 5
Yoga helps manage stress, builds concentration and increases confidence and comfort. Bring a yoga mat or blanket, strap or even a bolsters and pillows are suggested. Will be held outdoors, weather permitting. Time: 7-8pm. Cost: Free! Pre-registration required.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29

Yoga for Kids
McKinley Park, Pavilion 4
Kids ages 5-13, all abilities.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25

Caterpillar Kids: Know YOUR Butterflies
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Join us in the butterfly garden as we learn to identify the many different butterflies and caterpillars that call Michigan home, through games, crafts and nature hikes.
For all ages and abilities.
For ages 4 and older, all abilities. Time: 12:30-1:30pm. Cost: Free! Pre-registration required via 517.397.2711.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

Art in Nature: As you paint, discover what inspires you.
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Join For-Mar and the University of Michigan Astronomy Club in a night flight with Astronomy FUN! Programming includes astronomy activities, crafts, a campfire, telescopes and more!
For all ages and abilities. Time: 8-10pm. Cost: Free! Pre-registration required.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25

Dancing Through the Decades
Davison Roadside Park
Bring the whole family for an hour of fun as we travel back in time to revisit the history and evolution of the most iconic dances through the decades. We’ll kick it off with the Charleston, whip it with some Swing, Sway, Jive and Jerk, then boogie on down with Funk, Disco and more!
Time: 7-8pm. Cost: Free! Pre-registration not required.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25

Painting in Nature: Finishes
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Join us as the For-Mar Painting in Nature finishes as the cool season begins. We will paint at the Captain's Stair and wind up with a beautiful mosaic.
Time: 6-7pm. Cost: Free! Pre-registration required via 517.397.2711.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

BeMoved®
Flushing County Park, Pavilion 5
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For all ages and abilities. Time: 7-8pm. Cost: Free! Pre-registration not required.

MONDAY, AUGUST 28

Disco and More
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Bring the whole family for an hour of evening fun as we travel back in time to revisit the history and evolution of the most iconic dances through the decades. We’ll kick it off with the Charleston, whip it with some Swing, Sway, Jive and Jerk, then boogie on down with Funk, Disco and more!
Time: 7-8pm. Cost: Free! Pre-registration not required.
SHATTERBUGS: KIDS NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY
Join For-Mar’s favorite beekeeper, Jim Withers from Withers Mountain Honey Farm, as he opens up our learning hive to see our new bee friends. Meet at the apiary in the Arboretum, weather permitting.

Time: 10-11:30am. Cost: $2 per person.
Pre-registration not required.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3
Nature Windfulness & Meditation
Meet Todd Robinson, a mindfulness & meditation master with more than 20 years of experience, for weekly meditations on the grounds at For-Mar. During each session, you will have an opportunity to relax with nature while learning useful, everyday, stress-relieving techniques. We welcome novices and experienced meditators:

- Session 1 - 10-11:30am, all abilities.
- Session 2 - 10-11:30am, all abilities.

Time: 10-11:30am. Cost: $3 per person.
Pre-registration required by 9/17/17.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6
Wild Adventures: Plants and Their Powerhouses
Meet our Naturalist in the Garden, children’s Garden Scientist, and Nature Interpreter, Adam. Our garden is ready to be harvested and we need some help! Over the years, visitors have learned some interesting ways to make harvesting a garden easier, what’s your ideal garden design? Join our experienced naturalist as you learn the ins and outs of harvesting a variety of fruits and vegetables.

Time: 10-11:30am. Cost: $3 per person.
Pre-registration required by 9/17/17.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
Treehouse Story Time: Amphibians
Spread the love of reading and nature during Treehouse Story Time. We will share books, sing songs and make a craft for toddlers, best suited to ages 2 and under.

Time: 10-11am. Cost: $2 per child.
Pre-registration not required.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9
Nature Photography Club: On The Road
Call all photographers! Our photography club, designed for both professional and amateur photographers, is going on the road from March to October. We will be taking different trails to investigate secret gems in the Genesee County Parks. Dress to hike or explore the Hogsback Area. Dogs are welcome.

For ages: 16 and older, all abilities.
Time: 9-10:30am. Cost: $3 per person.
Pre-registration not required.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9
Knee-High Naturalist: Food Chains
Harvest season is upon us, and our trees and shrubs offer a tempting variety of fruits and nuts to enjoy. However, not all foods found in our forests are safe to eat. Enjoy a guided hike as we take a look at a naturalist’s eye and what is NOT safe to eat during our forests adventure.

For ages: 16 and older, all abilities.
Time: 10-11:30am. Cost: $3 per person.
Pre-registration required by 9/17/17.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
Knee-High Naturalist: Food Chains
Pre-registration required by 9/12/17.

For ages: 16 and older, all abilities.
Time: 10-11:30am. Cost: $3 per person.
Pre-registration required by 9/17/17.
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
Full Wildflower Walk  
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum  
Join Jon Colvin, a horticulturist from Kettering University, in learning the intricacies and even changing flora of For-Mar. We will look at and learn to identify many plants throughout the Nature Preserve & Arboretum as well as keep our eyes open for the botanical wonder known as a living sigh.  
For ages: 10 and older, all abilities. 
Time: 10:15-11:30am. Cost: $3 per person. 
Pre-registration required by 9/14/17.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
Big Foot Hunt  
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum  
Big Foot has been spotted at For-Mar! Come test your nature detective skills as we search for clues throughout the property in our hunt for Big Foot.  
For all ages and abilities. 
Time: 1-3pm. Cost: $3 per person. 
Pre-registration required by 9/14/17.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum  
Join Todd Robinson, a mindfulness & meditation master to learn useful, every day, stress-relieving techniques. We will join Todd Robinson, a mindfulness & meditation master to learn useful, every day, stress-relieving techniques. We will be joined by a river guide from the FRWC and a naturalist from Will Forage for Food on a walk through the park to learn about some of the common edible and medicinal plants on our hunt for Big Foot.  
For all ages and abilities. 
Time: 10-11:30am. Cost: $3 per person. 
Pre-registration required by 9/14/17.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
Wild Adventures: Nature Doctor  
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum  
Join us as we explore the trails and search for indicators of healthy environments, frogs for example! Dress for the weather, a portion of this program will take place outdoors.  
For ages: 7-12, all abilities. 
Time: 10-11:30am. Cost: $3 per student. 
Pre-registration required by 9/17/17.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
Scoring Outing: Survival Skills 101  
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum  
We are looking for a few brave souls to join us! We will be teaching you skills that will help you survive in the wild. We will be learning the basics of fire starting, shelter building and more. Dress to be outdoors and get dirty!  
For scouts ages 5 and older and their families, all abilities. 
Time: 10am. Cost: $15 per scout. 
Pre-registration required by 9/17/17.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
Pre-registration not required.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22
School Day Field Trip  
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum  
On September 22, student citizen scientists will join field biologists for our 3rd Annual School Day Field Trip (sAFT). sAFT is unique opportunity for scientists to engage and educate the public about biodiversity in fun and interactive way.  
This year’s program is focused on providing a field trip that gives classroom students a chance to learn alongside scientists. Teachers, call Mar Morugala a field trip for your classroom can be part of this event. Some field equipment will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. More specific information about this event will be available closer to the event date. Call the For-Mar Front Desk for more information.  
For school age students throughout Genesee County. All abilities. 
Time: 10am-4pm. Cost: FREE. 
Pre-registration for school groups is required by 9/18/17.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23
Let’s Hide It Baby!  
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum  
This program is designed for parents with small children to help encourage a love of the outdoors at a young age. Meet at the Visitor’s Center for stretching and a story before hitting the trails. Dress for the weather, a portion of this program will take place outdoors.  
For ages: 7-12, all abilities. 
Time: 10-11:30am. Cost: $3 per student. 
Pre-registration required by 9/17/17.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23
Treehouse Adventures: Birding in the Treehouse  
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum  
Join in a fun activity to learn about the birds that perk in its branches. Create a bird feeder to take home.  
Suggested for ages 5 and older, all abilities. 
Time: 10-11pm. Cost: $5 per person. 
Pre-registration required by 9/20/17.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23
Wild Adventures: Could You Survive on Mars?!  
For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum  
If the future of space travel shows that it’s possible to live on the red planet, then it’s possible to survive on Mars. We’ll learn about the Red Planet and just what it would take to live a long healthy life there!  
Dress for the weather, a portion of this program will take place outdoors.  
For ages: 7-12, all abilities. 
Time: 10-11:30am. Cost: $3 per student. 
Pre-registration required by 9/20/17.

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Knee-High Naturalist: Colors of the Season
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5
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Time: 10:10-11:30am. Cost: $3 per student. Pre-registration required by 10/5/17.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7
Shutterbugs: Wild Nature Photography
For Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Join us for For Mar Kill’s Nature Photo Club! Each month kids meet to share their photos and discuss the picture of one of our local animal friends. There will be hikes to the trails to take amazing pictures of your favorite For Mar outdoors areas while building your love for nature photography skills. Kids will need to bring their own digital camera and dress for the weather.
Supported by For Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum.
Time: 1:30-2:30pm. Cost: $3 per student. Pre-registration required by 10/7/17.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10
Let’s Hike It Baby!
For Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Get outside, get active and explore! This program is designed for parents with small children to help encourage a love of the outdoors at a young age. Meet at the Visitor’s Center for checking in and a story before hitting the trails. The dress for the weather. To learn more, visit hikeitbaby.com. For Services, suggested for parents with toddlers and older.
Time: 10:15am. Cost: $2 per person. Pre-registration not required.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11
Knee-High Naturalist: Snakes!
For Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Learn about snakes as we go on a scavenger hunt to make a snake craft.
For ages 3-6. All abilities.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13
Nature Discovery: Night Animals
For Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
It’s dark out there! Nighttime is when we head to bed, but for many animals, it’s when they’re waking up. Learn about the animals whose eyes glow in the night during this month’s Night Animal program. For individuals with age-related disabilities.
Time: 10:30am-12pm. Cost: $2 per person. Pre-registration required by 10/13/17.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20
Nature Mindfulness & Meditation
For Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
Join Todd Roberson, a mindfulness and meditation master with more than 30 years of experience, for weekly meditations on the grounds at For Mar. During each session, you will have an opportunity to relax with nature while learning useful, every day, stress-relieving techniques. We suggest participants bring something comfortable to sit on and dress appropriately for the weather.
For all ages and abilities.
Time: 1:00pm. Cost: FREE!
Pre-registration not required.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24
Knee-High Naturalist: Animal Teeth
For Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum
What would you do with animal teeth? Come and explore how a wildlife specialist helps them learn. For ages 2-4. All abilities.
Time: 10:10-11:30am. Cost: $3 per student. Pre-registration required by 10/24/17.
**FOR MAR NATURE PRESERVE & ARBORETUM**

**Knee-High Naturalist: Animal Teeth**
- **Time:** 10:15am. **Cost:** $3 per student.
- **For ages:** 3-6, all abilities.
- Pre-registration required by 10/19/17.

**Knee-High Naturalist: Bats**
- **Time:** 10:15am. **Cost:** $3 per student.
- **For ages:** 7-12, all abilities.
- Pre-registration required by 10/24/17.

**Treehouse Adventures: Survival Skills 101**
- **Time:** 1-3pm. **Cost:** $5 per person.
- **For all ages and abilities.**
- Pre-registration required by 10/26/17.

**Knee-High Naturalist: Halloween History**
- **Time:** 10:15-11:30am. **Cost:** $3 per student.
- **For ages:** 7-12, all abilities.
- Pre-registration required by 10/25/17.

**Treehouse Adventures: Halloween History**
- **Time:** 10-11:30am. **Cost:** $3 per person.
- **For ages:** 7-12, all abilities.
- Pre-registration required by 10/26/17.

**ACTIVE NATURE: INVESTIGATING INVASIVES**
- **Time:** 10-11am. **Cost:** $2 per person.
- **For ages:** 16 and older, all abilities.
- Pre-registration required by 10/26/17.

**Treehouse Adventures: Owl Prowl**
- **Time:** 10-11am. **Cost:** $2 per person.
- **For ages:** 7-12, all abilities.
- Pre-registration required by 10/26/17.

**Treehouse Adventures: Survival Skills 101**
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22410 W. Development Road, Davison, MI 48423

Open 24 hours a day.

Bluegill Boat Launch
4045 Coldwater Road, Flint, MI 48506

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Additional fishing facilities
For complete information visit our website at geneseecountyparks.org/fishing

Buell Lake County Park*
Mt. Morris Road Site
Zemmer Park
Branch Road Site*
Bray Road Site
Holloway Dam
Genesee Road Site*
Tinkhamville Site
Stanley Road Site*
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Stanley & Belsay Site
Klam Road Site
Thread Lake Site
Mudd Lake Site
Plyos Road Site
Irish Road Site
Stanley Road Tubes
Flint Park Lake
Goldenrod Disc Golf Course
E.A. Cummings Event Center

* Barrier free fishing docks

uPcoming eVenTs

Free Fishing
Fish all weekend without a DNR Fishing license! All state regulations still apply.
June 10-11.

Kids Fishing Club
Saturdays during June, July, and August
June 10, July 8, August 12, 9-11am
Walleye Pike County Park
June 17, July 15, August 19, 9-11am
Flint Park Lake Park
June 24, July 22, August 26, 9-11am
McKeeley Road/Tread Lake
For kids ages 4-18, all abilities.
Cost: FREE!

2017 Catfish Tournaments
for families, all ages and abilities.
Cost: No entry fee, purchase of annual or daily parking pass is required to enter facility.
Registration begins at 7am and fishing starts at 9am.
Weigh-in at noon.

2nd Annual Catfish for a Cause Fishing Tournament
Sunday, June 11, 2017 Mott Lake Edition
Bluegill Boat Launch

7th Annual Catfish for a Cause Fishing Tournament
Sunday, August 20, 2017 Holloway Reservoir Edition
Walleye Pike Boat Launch

ZAGSTER BIKE SHARE STATION
Since June of 2016, when Genesee County Parks installed the very first Zagster bike share station in Genesee county, the Flint Bike Share program has grown to include four stations in our area. You can now easily bike to and from, and everywhere in between, the Genesee County Parks Administration Office to any one of the other Zagster stations within the city of Flint. Find stations at the Flint Cultural Center, the University Pavilion and the University of Michigan-Flint Recreation Center.

A simple registration, with a credit card, on the Zagster website – Zagster.com/Flint – will get you rolling. You must be 18 or older to ride and the first half hour is always free with each additional hour costing $2. A day pass can be purchased for $10 or a three day pass for $20.

These stations allow immediate access to miles of trails on the Flint River Trail System and sections of the Michigan’s Iron-Belle Trail as well as additional connecting trails. Download the Zagster app and start riding today at Zagster.com/Flint.

WALLEYE PIKE & BLUEGILL BOAT LAUNCH 2017 RATES

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Enjoy a train ride with Thomas and so much more!

All aboard for a day of family fun with Thomas!

August 18-20 & August 25-27
Crossroads Village & Huckleberry Railroad
6140 Bray Rd, Flint, MI 48505

FOR TICKETS: Visit ticketweb.com/dowt or call 866-468-7630