



# Naturally Speaking Fall 2023



## What's New at the Parks?

The Nature Center at Luhr County Park has new hours!



Monday: Closed

Tuesday & Thursday: 1-4pm

Wednesday & Friday: 10am-4pm

Saturday & Sunday: noon - 5pm

Closed Saturday & Sunday starting November 1st



Coming soon! Creek Ridge County Park will have a new restroom with running water, air conditioning, and heating.



Be sure to join us for the 30th annual Pioneer Days on September 23-24. Have fun with the entire family as you take a stroll through the past.

Bluhm County Park  
3855 S. 1100 West  
Westville

Creek Ridge County Park  
7943 W. 400 North  
Michigan City


Luhr County Park  
3178 S. 150 West  
LaPorte

Red Mill County Park  
0185 S. Holmesville Rd.  
LaPorte

Sebert Woods County Park  
3608 W. 925 North  
Michigan City







# SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	 4 <b>Labor Day</b>  <b>Offices CLOSED</b>	5	6	7	8	9 <b>Dog Days Luhr 11am-3pm</b>
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	 23 <b>Pioneer Days Creek Ridge 10am-5pm</b>
 24 <b>Pioneer Days Creek Ridge 10am-5pm</b>	25	26	 27 <b>Story Time at the Park Red Mill 10am-11am</b>	28	29	30



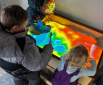

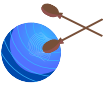










# OCTOBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	 2	 3	 4	5	6	7
	Hoosier River Watch Red Mill 9am-4pm	Hoosier River Watch Red Mill 9am-1pm	Discovery Days Luhr 5pm-6:30pm			
8	 9	 10	11	 12	<b>13</b>	14
	Columbus Day Offices CLOSED	Nature's Tiny Tots Luhr 11:30am-12:30pm		A Brush with Madness Luhr 6pm-8pm	Night Hike Luhr 5pm-6:30pm	
15	16	 17	18	19	 20	21
		Drum Fit for Boomers Luhr 9am-10am			Meteors and Me Bluhm 9pm-11pm	
22	23	 24	 25	26	27	28
		Nature's Tiny Tots Luhr 11:30am-12:30pm	Holiday Crafts Luhr 5pm-6pm			
29	30	31				



# NOVEMBER



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	 2 Open House Luhr 10am-5pm	3	 4 Science Saturday Luhr 10am-11:30am
5	6	 7 Drum Fit for Boomers Red Mill 9am-10am	 8 Discovery Days Luhr 5pm-6:30pm	9	 10 Veteran's Day  Offices CLOSED	11
12	13	 14 Nature's Tiny Tots Luhr 11:30am-12:30m	15	 16 A Brush with Madness Luhr 6pm-8pm	17 Night Hike Luhr 5pm-6:30pm 	18
19	20	 21 Drum Fit for Boomers Red Mill 9am-10am	22	 23 Thanksgiving Break Offices CLOSED	 24 Thanksgiving Break Offices CLOSED	25
26	27	 28 Nature's Tiny Tots Luhr 11:30am-12:30m	 29 Holiday Crafts Red Mill 5pm-6pm	30		

**A Brush with Madness****Luhr County Park****\$8/person**

Take home your very own masterpiece following a guided tutorial. All painting supplies provided. No experience necessary. All ages welcome.

*Register by the Tuesday before the class.*

**Drum Fit for Boomers****Various Parks (see calendar)****FREE**

Get your exercise in with music and fun! Drum on yoga balls to the beat of the music. Instruction, drum sticks, and yoga balls provided.

*Register by the Friday before the class.*

**Discovery Days****Luhr County Park****FREE**

Join us for an educational night where we will learn about nature and complete a craft. This class is intended for children ages 3-9.

*Register 1 week before the class.*

**Dog Days****Luhr County Park****FREE**

Join us for an exciting day of demonstrations, exhibitions and animals galore!

Sponsored by Sara Kessler, KarahTess Clothing & Lettering, and Jane Bernard Animal Adoption Center.

**Holiday Crafts****Various Parks (see calendar)****\$5/person on October 25****\$20/person on November 29**

Make decorations for the holiday season! All crafting supplies provided.

*Register at least 2 days before the class.*

**Hoosier River Watch Trainings****Red Mill County Park****FREE**

Join us at the Environmental Education Center at Red Mill for an afternoon of exploring our waterways! Learn about water quality and protecting Indiana's waters. Basic Training is on October 2. Advanced E. Coli Training is on October 3.

*Register by visiting [dnr.IN.gov/lakemich](http://dnr.IN.gov/lakemich)*

**Meteors and Me****Bluhm County Park****\$3/person**

Experience the magic of the Orionids meteor shower where you can see up to 75 meteors per hour! Bring something to sit on. Hot drinks and light snacks provided.

*Registration required 1 week before event.*

**Nature's Tiny Tots****Luhr County Park****FREE**

Bring your toddler for a morning of fun learning! We will read a story, do a craft, and enjoy some physical activity!

*Register by the Monday before the class.*

**Night Hike****Luhr County Park****FREE**

Test your senses as the sun's light fades. Be sure to bring your own source of light for this adventure!

*Register 1 week before the class.*

**Open House****Luhr County Park****FREE**

Our Nature Center has some new exhibits thanks to donations from the Healthcare Foundation of LaPorte. Come and check them out!

**Pioneer Days****Creek Ridge County Park****\$2/person; \$1/child or senior (cash or check)**

Take a step into the past with your whole family! Enjoy re-enactors, crafts, food, and more!

**Science Saturday****Luhr County Park****FREE**

Come out to the Nature Center on Saturday for a cool science experiment. This class is intended for children ages 10-13.

*Register 1 week before the class.*

**Story Time at the Park****Red Mill County Park****FREE**

Join us at Red Mill as a LaPorte County Public Library librarian reads us a story about turtles. When we finish the story, we will take a walk exploring the turtle habitat nearby. This program is conducted through LPCPL.





# LaPorte County Parks Programs

## 2023 Fall Registration Form (Please Print)

To register for programs, please fill out this form  
or call Red Mill County Park at 219-325-8315.

### REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Name of person filling out registration: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### REGISTRATION INFORMATION

**Registration/payment can be completed  
over the phone at (219)325-8315, in  
person at Red Mill County Park, or  
through snail mail.**

**Make Checks Payable to:**  
LaPorte County Parks Dept.

**Mail this form and payment to:**  
LaPorte County Parks Dept.  
Program Registration  
0185 South Holmesville Road  
Laporte, In 46350

Please pre-register for programs that say  
"Registration Required" even if there is no  
cost for the program. Most programs  
have limited space, so be sure to register  
early!

If registering through mail, be sure to send  
it early. Registration will not be accepted  
after the due date or after the program is  
filled whichever comes first.

### ALL SALES ARE FINAL

Make sure to send registration form and  
pre-payment to the address listed above.  
Thank you!

### A BRUSH WITH MADNESS

Name of painter(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Check the program(s) you wish to attend.  
\$8 per person per program.

\_\_ Oct 12 \_\_ Nov 16

### HOLIDAY CRAFT

Name of crafter(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Check the program(s) you wish to attend.

\_\_ Oct 25 \$5/person  
\_\_ Nov 29 \$20/person

### METEORS AND ME

Name of astronomer(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Check the program(s) you wish to attend.  
\$3 per person.

\_\_ Oct 20





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