

## 2018 Laketown Township Sponsored ODCMC Programs

Conducted by staff of the Outdoor Discovery Center Macatawa Greenway

Please contact ODCMG office to register: 616-393-9453 / [odc@outdoordiscovery.org](mailto:odc@outdoordiscovery.org)

All programs require registration / No charge for programs

### **February 2, 2018 - 5:30-6:30PM - Superb Owl Prowl - Sanctuary Woods**

Hike the dune of Laketown Township's Sanctuary Woods in search of resident and migratory owls. The group will try to call in Eastern Screech, Barred and Great Horned Owls as they hike. Flashlights are welcome. Dress for the weather!

### **April 4, 2018 - 10:00-11:00AM - Walk in the Woods - Sanctuary Woods**

Visit Sanctuary Woods to explore the sights and sounds of spring. This time of year brings migrating birds, beautiful wildflowers, and active mammals. We will hike the lower loop and upper loop of this amazing dune ecosystem to see what animals and plants are ready for spring.

### **May 11, 2018 - 7:00-8:00PM - Knee-deep in a Wetland - Farview Park**

Families are invited to meet a naturalist at Farview Park in search of amphibians, insects and other aquatic life. All collection tubs and dip nets will be provided. Old shoes or boots that can go into the water are recommended. No sandals or bare feet please.

### **June 20, 2018 - 10:00-11:00AM - Little Explorers - Wolters Woods**

Explore the nature trail as only a preschooler could do. Find colors, shapes, and textures on the easily accessible trails of Wolters Woods. All materials will be provided. At the conclusion of the program, feel free to make time to play on the playground.

### **July 19, 2018 - 11:00-12:00PM - Blueberry Fields Forever - Huyser Farm**

Learn about blueberries and how they have become a West Michigan industry. Bring collection buckets to take home some free blueberries from the u-pick, organic blueberry patch! Sturdy shoes and insect repellent are encouraged.

### **August 24, 2018 - 10:00-11:30AM - Knee-deep in a Wetland - Farview Park**

Families are invited to meet a naturalist at Farview Park in search of amphibians, insects and other aquatic life. All collection tubs and dip nets will be provided. Old shoes or boots that can go into the water are recommended. No sandals or bare feet please.

### **September 22, 2018 - 9:00-10:00AM - Fall Migration - Laketown Beach**

Hike to the top of the steps leading to the beach to watch for migrating birds, especially raptors. Once at the top of the boardwalk steps, the group will be stationary as they watch for migrants riding the thermal air currents along the dune ridge. Some binoculars will be available for lending.

### **October 5, 2018 - 7:30-8:30PM - Night Hike - Huyser Farm**

Take a walk through the woods at night. Use your senses along the walk to find out how much you can feel, touch, hear, and see at night. Learn how nocturnal animals use their other senses to survive in the evening.

