

DANE COUNTY PARKS

INFORMATION & EVENTS NEWSLETTER

MAY 27, 2021



*Jenni & Kyle Preserve
Summer Youth Adventure Program*

PRESENTATIONS IN THE PARK

This summer our Lussier Family Heritage Center facility is offering a wide variety of events for individuals and families. Something brand new this year is the **Presentations in the Park** series featuring a variety of speakers! Check out the upcoming talks and find a full list by clicking "learn more" below.

- June 10 - [Salt your Fries, Not our Freshwater](#)
- June 24 - [Citizen Science at the UW Arboretum: The Starter Pack](#)
- July 8 - [Wisconsin Wetlands](#)
- July 15 - [Whooping Crane Conservation](#)

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PARKS ON TAP: DOG PARK!

Join the [Prairie Moraine Friends, Inc](#) and Karben4 Brewing for a fun and free event at the Prairie Moraine County Park Dog Park on **Saturday, June 12 from Noon to 4:00 p.m.** This afternoon of fun will include a number of activity stations throughout the park:

- Live Music
- Information about geology and restoration projects
- Doggy photo station
- Vendors...and more!

Karben4 Brewing will be on site and 10% of all beverage sales (beer and non-alcoholic options) will be donated to the parks.

Location: Prairie Moraine Dog Park (6679 Wesner Rd, Verona)

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Volunteers
Needed



PARKS ON TAP
A summer series benefiting Dane County Parks

Courtesy Steve Dahlgren (Dog Grin Photography)

BIRD AND NATURE WALK

Join the Friends of Capital Springs Recreation Area on **National Trails Day** (June 5) for a naturalist-led bird and nature walk featuring the Lower Yahara River Trail in the Capital Springs Recreation Area!

Highlights include stunning views from a mile-long boardwalk that intersects Lake Waubesa and Upper Mud Lake, mature prairie after a spring prescribed burn, and quiet lakeshore woodlands. All ages welcome.

Learn more and sign up through the link below.



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THANK YOU!

A huge THANK YOU to our Operation Fresh Start crew who spent a day fixing up bikes for our summer youth programs. They changed tire tubes, oiled chains, tested the bikes and made sure they were safe and ready for kids to ride.

These will be used all summer long for group field trips and our Summer Youth Adventure program. We still have spots left for both!



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SUMMER YOUTH ADVENTURES

Do your kids love exploring and trying new things? This summer we have two new Youth Adventure Programs to help youth (K through 8th) explore our parks!

Go on a **Fishing Adventure** at the Jenni & Kyle Preserve or a **Bike Adventure** along the Lower Yahara River Trail. Each session is \$5 per child.



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MUSIC FESTIVAL

The **Friends of Schumacher Farm** will be hosting their fifth annual Music Festival. Guests will enjoy the music from three local bands on a large amplified outdoor stage. Tickets \$10/person. Kids 12 & under are free. The event will also include a raffle, silent auction, and crafter's fair. Local food, beer, and wine vendors will be on site.



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MOVIES IN THE PARK

This summer our Lussier Family Heritage Center facility is offering a wide variety of events for individuals and families. Join us for a family-friendly **Movie in the Park!** Movies are free with a suggested donation of \$5/person and preregistration is required. Space is limited to sign up for a group slot today.

- June 3 – [Disney Nature Oceans](#) (*almost full*)
- July 1 – [Disney Nature Earth](#)
- Aug 5 – [Disney Nature Wings of Life](#)

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ART IN THE PARK

This summer our Lussier Family Heritage Center facility is offering a wide variety of events for individuals and families. Join us for **Art in the Park**. No artistic talent needed, just the desire to have fun! Artists from Wine & Design will take the time to guide you step by step to complete your very own take home masterpiece. All canvases come pre-traced by the artist instructor. Cost is \$42/person and the class runs for 2 hours.

- June 13 - [Green Hummingbird](#)
- July 11 - [March View](#)
- Aug 8 - [Sunflower](#)

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YAHARA SEDIMENT REMOVAL

The Yahara Sediment Removal Project along the Yahara chain of lakes continues to make progress! Phase 2 will remove sediment between Lake Waubesa and Lower Mud. These efforts will improve water flow, flood storage capacity, and fish & wildlife habitat. Check out the latest update video by clicking below.



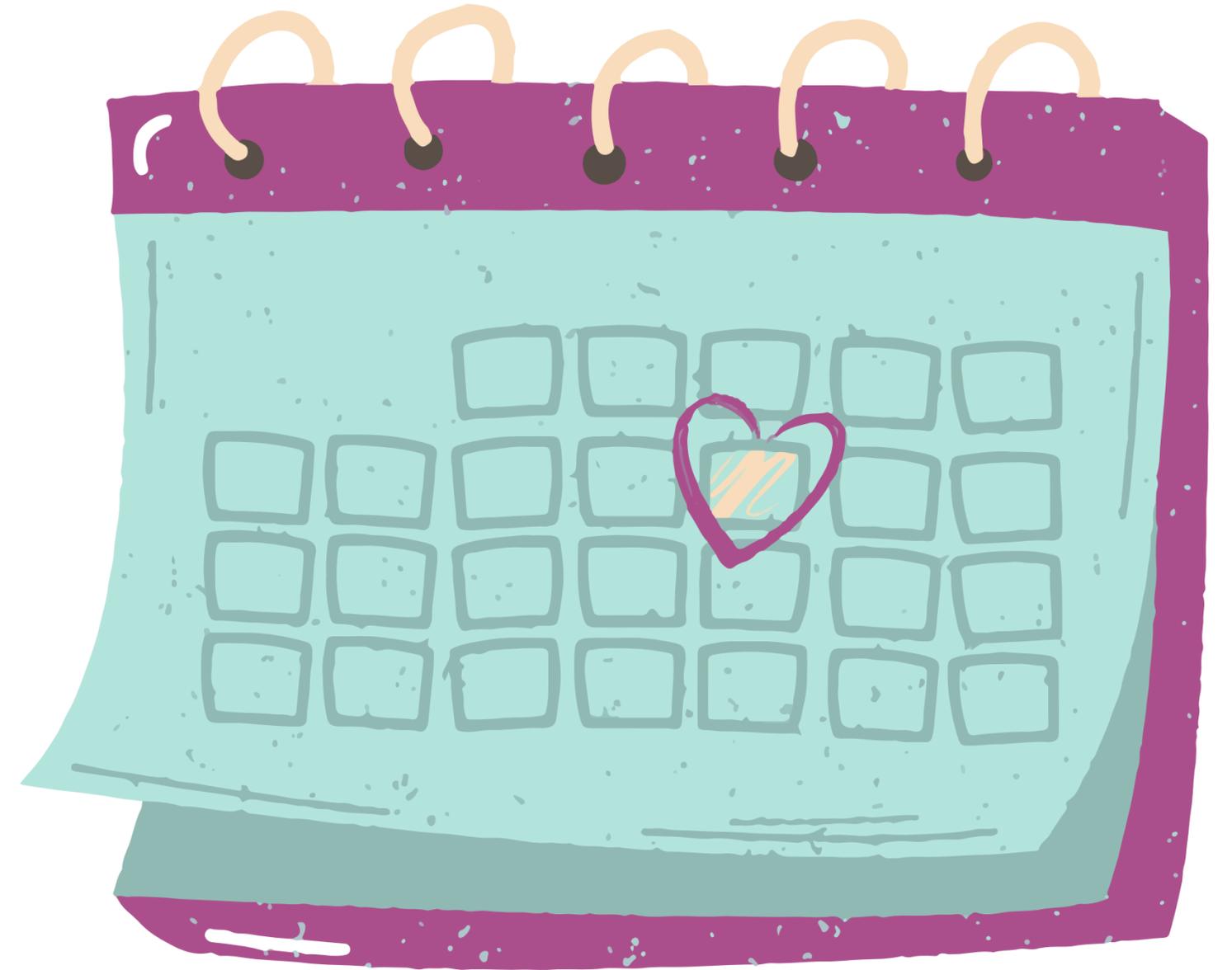
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FULL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For more event listings, check out the event calendar on our website. Events include:

- Youth Adventure Days
- Volunteer Workdays
- Music and craft events hosted by friends groups
- and more!

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TRANSPORTATION STORIES

Madison Metro is redesigning several bus routes later this year. We have teamed up with the Sierra Club Four Lakes Chapter to gather stories from the public about where bus transportation access to parks could be improved.

If you have ever had trouble getting to a park or trail in Dane County due to limited or nonexistent bus access then we would love to hear your story!

We hope to compile these stories and work with Madison Metro to see where bus lines could be improved or expanded to help the public reach certain parks.

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