

# Friday

Event Name	Start Time	End Time	Starting Location	Full Description
Nature and Birding Hike - Great Marsh	01:00 PM	03:00 PM	Great Marsh Gravel Parking Lot	<p>Join local birding and nature expert Lynea Hinchman for a nature hike in the Great Marsh. The marsh is teeming with life and a great place to get into nature.</p> <p>Notes:            1. This event starts at the Great Marsh Trail gravel parking lot located on Broadway Avenue in Beverly Shores.            2. Please bring binoculars if you have them. A small number of binoculars will be available to borrow.</p>
Beginner/Family Hike & Feed the Animals - Bailly Chellberg	05:00 PM	06:30 PM	Chellberg Farm Parking Lot	<p>National park ranger Bill Smith will conduct a hike on this easy, one-mile loop, showcasing some of the National Park's historic homesteads and maple-dominated woods. The colors should be beautiful at this time of year. As a bonus, you can assist in feeding the farm's cows, pigs, goats, chickens, and turkeys.</p> <p>Notes:            1. This event starts at the main Bailly Chellberg parking lot located off of Mineral Springs Road between U.S. Highway 12 and U.S. Highway 20.</p>
Featured Hike - Trail 8 (3 Dunes Challenge) - State Park	05:30 PM	06:30 PM	State Park - Nature Center	<p>Trail 8 is a classic hike and showcases the three of the tallest dunes in the region, passing through hardwood forest to the lakefront itself. The challenging climbs are made easier by the shaded trails along the way. The hike will be led by a State Park Naturalist.</p> <p>Notes:            1. In order to obtain free admission into the Indiana Dunes State Park for this festival event, you must either stop into the visitor center to receive your festival pass or print out your festival registration receipt to show at the state park's entrance station            2. This event starts at the Indiana Dunes State Park's Nature Center.</p>
Photography - Sunset - Mount Baldy	05:30 PM	06:45 PM	Mount Baldy Parking Lot	<p>Join national park ranger and photographer Rafi Wilkinson for a hike to the top of Mount Baldy to photograph the sunset overlooking Lake Michigan and Chicago. Bring your camera and a tripod if you have one. Rafi will give tips on how to capture a compelling sunset photo. The total length of the hike is 1.5 miles. The hike does involve a steep climb in the sand up Mount Baldy.</p> <p>Notes:            1. This event starts at the Mount Baldy parking lot located on U.S. Highway 12 in Michigan City.</p>
Night Hike - Mount Baldy	07:00 PM	08:30 PM	Mount Baldy Parking Lot	<p>For a unique experience, hike with national park ranger Rafi Wilkinson to the top of Mount Baldy in the dark to see this iconic dune from a totally new perspective. The total length of the hike is 1.5 miles. The hike does involve a steep climb in the sand up Mount Baldy.</p> <p>Notes:            1. This event starts at the Mount Baldy parking lot located on U.S. Highway 12 in Michigan City.</p>

# Saturday

Event Name	Start Time	End Time	Starting Location	Full Description
Photography - Sunrise - Great Marsh	06:00 AM	07:30 AM	Great Marsh Gravel Parking Lot	Join national park ranger and photographer Rafi Wilkinson for an early morning hike at the Great Marsh to catch a sunrise. Bring your camera and tripod for tips on how to capture photos in the twilight of the morning. The total hike is less than a mile and completely flat. Notes: 1. This event starts at the Great Marsh Trail gravel parking lot on Broadway Avenue in Beverly Shores.
Birding Hike - West Beach	08:00 AM	10:00 AM	West Beach Parking Lot	Join Matt Igliski, local birding expert from the Indiana Audubon Society, for a birding hike at the national park's West Beach area. West Beach is a great location to catch the fall migration of birds along the Lake Michigan Flyway. Notes: 1. This event starts at the West Beach parking lot located off of County Line Road north of U.S. Highway 12 in Portage. 2. Please bring binoculars if you have them. A small number of binoculars will be available to borrow.
REI Outdoor School - Backcountry Navigation With a Map and Compass	08:00 AM	12:00 PM	Glenwood Dunes Trail U.S. Highway 20 Parking Lot	During this field outing, REI Outdoor School instructors will help you understand the information provided on your map, the proper use of your compass, and how to put the two together. You'll learn about magnetic north, true north, and magnetic variation (declination). After covering these fundamentals, you'll get time to practice taking a bearing from the terrain and your map so that you can make sense of your position and plan a route. This hands on course is a great introduction to outdoor navigation and map reading!  - Read a topographic map - Understand the difference between true north and magnetic north - Learn to calculate declination - Use a compass to take a bearing, plot your position on a map, and develop a route plan - Build confidence in your navigational skills  Advance registration with REI and an additional \$69 fee for REI Members / \$89 for non-members is required. This is a class taught by professional instructors and includes most of the required equipment for the event. Please see the gear list during registration.  Please register with REI at: <a href="https://www.rei.com/events/49378/backcountry-navigation-with-a-map-compass/254719">https://www.rei.com/events/49378/backcountry-navigation-with-a-map-compass/254719</a>  Notes: 1. This event starts at the Glenwood Dunes Trail U.S. Highway 20 parking lot located at the intersection of U.S. Highway 20 and Brummitt Road. 2. You must register with REI using the above link, pay the programming fee, and sign the waiver in advance of the event.
Featured Hike - Trail 9 - State Park	08:30 AM	10:30 AM	State Park - Nature Center	Trail 9 is renowned for its stunning views atop Beach House Blowout. Many consider this trail the finest hike in the Indiana Dunes. This moderate hike will be lead by a State Park Naturalist, first traveling through a mature forest ecosystem, and then climbing to a foredune overlooking Lake Michigan. The total hike time and distance are 2 hours and 3.6 miles. Notes: 1. In order to obtain free admission into the State Park for this festival event, you must either stop into the visitor center to receive your festival pass or print out your festival registration receipt to show at the state park's entrance station. 2. This event starts at the Indiana Dunes State Park Nature Center located on State Road 49 in Chesterton.
Biking and Birding with a National Park Ranger - Miller Woods	08:30 AM	11:00 AM	Paul H. Douglas Center for Environmental Education	Join a national park ranger for a birding-themed bike ride starting from the Paul H. Douglas Center for Environmental Education. Bring your bike and we will provide the binoculars and take you to some fun spots in Miller to see birds and enjoy a morning bike ride. Notes: 1. This event starts from the Paul H. Douglas Center on Lake Street in Miller.
Adult Hike - Sunset Hill Farm County Park	09:00 AM	09:45 AM	Sunset Hill Farm County Park Parking Lot	On this hike, we will look at all the signs of fall at the park and see the awesome fall foliage. Our naturalist will guide discussions about autumn colors, the varieties of leaves, and groupings of leaves and seed pods. Notes: 1. The program is located at the main parking lot at Sunset Hill Farm at 775 Meridian Road in Valparaiso.
Nature Hike - Howes Prairie / Lupine Lane - Session 1	09:00 AM	10:15 AM	Cowles Bog Trail North Parking Lot	Join Nathanael Pilla of Orbis Environmental Consulting for an insiders' tour of the amazing Howes Prairie and Lupine Lane, areas of the national park that have never been publicly toured. Nathanael, formerly of the National Park Service and Save The Dunes, is one of the foremost botanists of the region and can truly showcase the uniqueness of this area. The total trail length is approximately 3.0 miles and moderate in difficulty. Please wear long pants and hiking boots to be able to walk off trail. Notes: 1. This event starts at the north Cowles Bog gravel parking lot on Mineral Springs Road, just south of the Dunes Acres guard shack.
Featured Hike - Gibson Woods	09:00 AM	10:30 AM	Gibson Woods Parking Lot	Join Loyce Fandrei with Lake County Parks and Recreation for an insiders tour of Gibson Woods. Gibson Woods Nature Preserve is a 179-acre state dedicated nature preserve. The park is notable for its unique and globally rare ridge and swale ecosystem. Higher sand ridges alternate with wetland and swales and provide a habitat to many rare and endangered species of flora. In order to preserve and protect this park we ask you not to walk animals on trails as well as follow all other rules. Notes: 1. This event starts at Gibson Woods, located at 6201 Parrish Avenue in Hammond.

Volunteer Event - Trail Improvement	09:00 AM	12:00 PM	Chellberg Farm Parking Lot	<p>Spend a morning with staff and volunteers caring for your local national park as we enhance one of the national lakeshore's trails. Wear comfortable clothes. All protective equipment and tools will be provided.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. An email will be sent out to registrants detailing the location and scope of the stewardship project.</li> </ol>
Hike and Bike with a Park Ranger - Dune Ridge Trail	09:00 AM	01:00 PM	Indiana Dunes Visitor Center	<p>Join national park ranger JP Anderson for a morning of biking and hiking in the national park. JP will show off some of his favorite spots in the park, including some secret locations. Biking will not exceed 14 miles and hiking will need exceed 3 miles.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the Indiana Dunes Visitor Center, located on State Road 49 in Porter.</li> <li>2. All participants must wear a helmet while biking.</li> <li>3. Please bring plenty of water and snacks.</li> </ol>
Kids Scavenger Hunt - Paul H. Douglas Center	09:00 AM	04:00 PM	Paul H. Douglas Center for Environmental Education	<p>Bring your kids for a monarch butterfly-themed scavenger hike with a park ranger at the Paul H. Douglas Center for Environmental Education. Kids will enjoy the outdoor beauty of the Nature Play Zone.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the Paul H. Douglas Center located on Lake Street in Miller.</li> </ol>
REI Outdoor School - Hike and Hops	09:00 AM	05:00 PM	Glenwood Dunes Trail U.S. Highway 20 Parking Lot	<p>Always wanted to hike Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore or just want to hike a bit and learn about beer? Join us! We'll hike about 5-6 miles and see some of the National Park's highlights. After the hike, we'll head to a local brewery and taste the craft creations of the week. Lunch and one full pint of beer are included in the outing. We'll do the driving so you don't have to. Participants must be 21 or older - Photo ID required.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Fun</li> <li>- Friends</li> <li>- Fermentation</li> </ul> <p>Advance registration with REI and an additional \$129 fee for REI Members / \$149 for non-members is required. This is a class taught by professional instructors and includes most of the required equipment for the event. Please see the gear list during registration.</p> <p>Please register with REI at:  <a href="https://www.rei.com/events/56224/hike-and-hops-indiana-dunes-national-park/254721">https://www.rei.com/events/56224/hike-and-hops-indiana-dunes-national-park/254721</a></p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the Glenwood Dunes Trail U.S. Highway 20 parking lot located at the intersection of U.S. Highway 20 and Brummitt Road.</li> <li>2. You must register with REI using the above link, pay the programming fee, and sign the waiver in advance of the event.</li> </ol> <p>Participants must be 21 or older - Photo ID required.</p>
REI Outdoor School - Introduction to Overnight Backpacking	09:00 AM	11:59 PM	Glenwood Dunes Trail U.S. Highway 20 Parking Lot	<p>Take your first backpacking trip with the experts! Join the REI Outdoor School on an overnight backpacking trip at Indiana Dunes National Park. Our instructors will teach you how to choose and use equipment, including how to load and carry your backpack to maximize your comfort and fun. You'll also learn about campsite set-up, camp cooking, water treatment, and leave no trace etiquette. Course includes backpack, tent, stove, all cookware, trekking poles, water treatment, and food. Participants provide their own sleeping bag and sleeping pad.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Learn how to pack a backpack for fit, balance and accessibility</li> <li>- Learn techniques of how to properly wear and hike with a backpack for ultimate comfort on the trail</li> <li>- Learn additional camp skills such as setting-up a camp site, camp cooking, water treatment, sanitation, and Leave No Trace principles</li> <li>- Discover local areas where overnight backpacking is available</li> </ul> <p>Advance registration with REI and an additional \$269 fee for REI Members / \$289 for non-members is required. This is a class taught by professional instructors and includes most of the required equipment for the event. Please see the gear list during registration.</p> <p>Please register with REI at:  <a href="https://www.rei.com/events/49938/overnight-backpacking-indiana-dunes-national-park/254716">https://www.rei.com/events/49938/overnight-backpacking-indiana-dunes-national-park/254716</a></p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the Glenwood Dunes Trail U.S. Highway 20 parking lot located at the intersection of U.S. Highway 20 and Brummitt Road.</li> <li>2. The event will run from Saturday, October 5, at 9:00 am until Sunday, October 6, at 12:00 pm.</li> <li>3. You must register with REI using the above link, pay the programming fee, and sign the waiver in advance of the event.</li> </ol>
Yoga - Portage Lakefront and Riverwalk Pavilion - Session 1	10:00 AM	10:45 AM	Portage Lakefront and Riverwalk Pavilion	<p>Join us at this beautiful location along the beach of Lake Michigan for a yoga class sponsored by Core Power Yoga. No experience necessary. The class may be outdoors under the building canopy if it's warm or inside the building if it's cold. Either way, experience relaxation, meditation, toning, strength, and flexibility all while de-stressing the mind, body and spirit. Please bring a yoga mat, blanket, water.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the Portage Lakefront and Riverwalk Pavilion in Portage.</li> <li>2. Please bring a yoga mat, blanket, and water.</li> </ol>

Build A Geo-Birdhouse (Geocaching) - State Park - Session 1	10:00 AM	11:00 AM	State Park - Nature Center	<p>Members of Northwest Indiana Geocachers will show examples of caches made from natural or recycled materials. Assemble a geo-bird house from a kit. Bring a cordless screwdriver if you have one. Decorate your birdhouse with tempera paints or permanent spray colors, or take it home to embellish! You need not be a geocacher to participate. Funding graciously provided by Friends of Indiana Dunes.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In order to obtain free admission into the State Park for this festival event, you must either stop into the visitor center to receive your festival pass or print out your festival registration receipt to show at the state park's entrance station.</li> <li>2. This event starts at the Indiana Dunes State Park Nature Center Auditorium located on State Road 49 in Chesterton.</li> <li>3. Please bring a copy of your registration printout for admission to the event.</li> <li>4. Limit 1 birdhouse per registered child. Parents please help your kids assemble the birdhouse.</li> </ol>
Meet the Animals - Sunset Hill Farm County Park	10:00 AM	11:00 AM	Sunset Hill Farm County Park Parking Lot	<p>Come out and interact with our farm animals at Sunset Hill Farm County Park. Their caretakers and our park naturalists will be on hand to answer questions. Our animals include ponies, goats, ducks, bunnies, chickens, turkeys, and sheep. Wagon rides around the park are available. All ages welcome. Stay for the family hike, which starts at 11:00 am. Make sure to register for both.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The program is located at the animal barns east of the main parking lot at Sunset Hill Farm at 775 Meridian Road in Valparaiso.</li> </ol>
Geology Hike - Mount Baldy	10:00 AM	12:00 PM	Mount Baldy Parking Lot	<p>Join Erin Argyilan for an expert's behind the scenes tour of iconic Mount Baldy. Erin, a Professor with Indiana University Northwest, is one of the foremost geologists of the region and was a lead investigator of the causes of the mysterious holes in Mount Baldy. The total length of the hike is 1.5 miles. The hike does involve a steep climb in the sand up Mount Baldy.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the Mount Baldy parking lot located on U.S. Highway 12 in Michigan City.</li> </ol>
Horseback Riding on the Beach - West Beach - Session 1	10:00 AM	12:00 PM	West Beach Parking Lot	<p>Join fellow equestrians and national park ranger Penny Callahan for an extremely rare chance to ride on the beaches of Lake Michigan! There is an additional \$25 fee for this event to pay for cleanup and logistics.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at West Beach, located 376 North County Line Road in Portage.</li> <li>2. BYOH (bring your own horse). No horse rentals will be available.</li> <li>3. Additional event details will be emailed to those who register.</li> <li>4. There is a \$25 additional fee to pay for cleanup and logistics.</li> <li>5. For safety, no dogs will be allowed at this event.</li> <li>6. Please arrive between 9:00 am and 9:30 am to be able to start the ride at 10:00 am. The beach will be open for riding from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. All horses must be off the beach by 12:00 pm.</li> <li>7. Due to the ever-changing conditions of Lake Michigan, the ride may need to be cancelled for safety reasons such as unsafe weather or riding conditions. Refunds will be given. We appreciate your understanding. An email will be sent out the day before if the event needs to be cancelled.</li> </ol>
Nature Hike - Howes Prairie / Lupine Lane - Session 2	10:30 AM	11:45 AM	Cowles Bog Trail North Parking Lot	<p>Join Nathanael Pilla of Orbis Environmental Consulting for an insiders' tour of the amazing Howes Prairie and Lupine Lane, areas of the national park that have never been publicly toured. Nathanael, formerly of the National Park Service and Save The Dunes, is one of the foremost botanists of the region and can truly showcase the uniqueness of this area. The total trail length is approximately 3.0 miles and moderate in difficulty. Please wear long pants and hiking boots to be able to walk off trail.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the north Cowles Bog gravel parking lot on Mineral Springs Road, just south of the Dunes Acres guard shack.</li> </ol>
Beyond the Pond, Beyond the Trail Hike - Coffee Creek	10:30 AM	12:30 PM	Coffee Creek - Amphitheater	<p>Coffee Creek Watershed Conservancy's very own Stewardship Manager Matt Harmon will take hikers on an exclusive, beyond the pond and beyond the trail, hike into an area of Coffee Creek experienced by very few. Hikers will walk through remnant forested areas that host a variety of unique flora and fauna. Experience Porter County like those who came before us, by following the deer trails and touching the same old growth beech trees that Native Americans and Colonists once saw. Be prepared to crouch through trees and underbrush while on this rustic hike.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the Coffee Creek Amphitheater, located south of Sidewalk Road along State Road 49.</li> <li>2. Dress appropriately including boots, long pants, and a long-sleeved shirt.</li> </ol>
Family Hike - Sunset Hill Farm County Park	11:00 AM	11:45 AM	Sunset Hill Farm County Park Parking Lot	<p>Come out for the farm animal feeding program at 10:00 am and then go on a short family hike through the beautiful Sunset Hill trails. On this hike, we will look at all the signs of fall at the park and see the awesome fall foliage. Our naturalist will guide discussions about autumn colors, the varieties of leaves, and groupings of leaves and seed pods. Make sure to register for both. All ages welcome.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The program is located at the animal barns east of the main parking lot at Sunset Hill Farm at 775 Meridian Road in Valparaiso.</li> </ol>
All-Abilities Hike - Calumet Dunes Trail	11:00 AM	12:00 PM	Calumet Dunes (USGS Research Station) Parking Lot	<p>Join a national park ranger for an interpretive hike through Calumet Dunes, an ancient shoreline of Lake Michigan. This paved trail is half a mile long and perfect for hikers of all abilities including wheelchairs.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the U.S. Geological Survey parking lot at the corner of U.S. Highway 12 and East State Park Road (Kemil Road / 300E). This is the site of the old visitor center.</li> </ol>

Build A Geo-Birdhouse (Geocaching) - State Park - Session 2	11:00 AM	12:00 PM	State Park - Nature Center	<p>Members of Northwest Indiana Geocachers will show examples of caches made from natural or recycled materials. Assemble a geo-bird house from a kit. Bring a cordless screwdriver if you have one. Decorate your birdhouse with tempera paints or permanent spray colors, or take it home to embellish! You need not be a geocacher to participate. Funding graciously provided by Friends of Indiana Dunes.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In order to obtain free admission into the State Park for this festival event, you must either stop into the visitor center to receive your festival pass or print out your festival registration receipt to show at the state park's entrance station.</li> <li>2. This event starts at the Indiana Dunes State Park Nature Center Auditorium located on State Road 49 in Chesterton.</li> <li>3. Please bring a copy of your registration printout for admission to the event.</li> <li>4. Limit 1 birdhouse per registered child. Parents please help your kids assemble the birdhouse.</li> </ol>
Toddler Hike - Little Explorers Club - Coffee Creek	11:00 AM	12:00 PM	Coffee Creek - Amphitheater	<p>Join Kelli Haushalter, the founder of the Duneland chapter of the Little Explorers Club, for an hour of letting your toddler explore in the outdoors. The Little Explorers Club is a simple way to encourage a love for the outdoors in our children so they become stewards of our planet, and to create a community of parents and caretakers to work together in this effort.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the Coffee Creek Watershed Preserve amphitheater, located along State Road 49, just south of Sidewalk Road.</li> </ol>
Boat Tour - Lake Michigan	11:00 AM	01:00 PM	Michigan City Millennium Plaza (near the yacht club)	<p>Join national park ranger Steve Rossi for a guided two-hour boat tour on Lake Michigan with Harbor Country Adventures. This is an incredible way to see the Indiana Dunes from a new perspective. See Mount Baldy and the world's fair homes from the water. There is an additional fee and reservations are required.</p> <p>Please register with Harbor Country Adventures at:  <a href="http://www.harborcountryadventures.com/classic-lake-tour-southwest-michigan/">http://www.harborcountryadventures.com/classic-lake-tour-southwest-michigan/</a>  Book the Saturday, October 5, cruise that starts at 11:00 am.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at Millennium Plaza next to the Michigan City Yacht Club in Michigan City.</li> <li>2. You must register with Harbor Country Adventures using the above link and pay the tour fee.</li> </ol>
Ecology Hike - West Beach	11:00 AM	02:00 PM	West Beach Parking Lot	<p>Join local ecologist Steve Sass for a fun-filled, comprehensive hike of West Beach. On this hike, participants will explore many facets of nature including botany, insects, fall bird migration, natural and cultural history and plant succession while enjoying a brisk autumn hike through the dunes.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the West Beach parking lot located on County Line Road in Portage.</li> </ol>
Family Paddle - Jerry Pavase Park on Lake George in Hobart	11:00 AM	04:00 PM	Jerry Pavase Park on Lake George	<p>Join the staff of Wilderness Inquiry and their awesome CanoeMobile program. These massive canoes are perfect for families and first time paddlers. Lake George is a lovely setting for a paddle. The event is free and all equipment is provided. This is a community open house paddle, so please come anytime between 11:00 am and 4:00 pm.</p> <p>The Wilderness Inquiry canoes are 24-foot long, custom-made canoes that can handle over 10 people per canoe. This is a great option for those with families or those who have never been on the water before. Wilderness Inquiry's staff will pilot each canoe making the trip worry-free.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at Jerry Pavase Park on Lake George located on South Lake Park Street in Hobart.</li> <li>2. You must sign a release waiver and wear a provided Personal Floatation Device (PFD) to participate in the event.</li> </ol>
Yoga - Portage Lakefront and Riverwalk Pavilion - Session 2	11:15 AM	12:00 PM	Portage Lakefront and Riverwalk Pavilion	<p>Join us at this beautiful location along the beach of Lake Michigan for a yoga class sponsored by Core Power Yoga. No experience necessary. The class may be outdoors under the building canopy if it's warm or inside the building if it's cold. Either way, experience relaxation, meditation, toning, strength, and flexibility all while de-stressing the mind, body and spirit. Please bring a yoga mat, blanket, water.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the Portage Lakefront and Riverwalk Pavilion in Portage.</li> <li>2. Please bring a yoga mat, blanket, and water.</li> </ol>
Family Hike - Miller Woods	12:00 PM	01:00 PM	Paul H. Douglas Center for Environmental Education	<p>Join a national park ranger for a hike around the wetlands in Miller Woods. The hike features the handiwork of the resident beavers and also highlights the globally rare oak savanna habitat the surrounds the Paul H. Douglas Center. The hike is less than a mile.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the Paul H. Douglas Center located on Lake Street in Miller.</li> </ol>
Biking and Birding - Gateway Park and the Green Link Trail	12:00 PM	2:00 PM	Gateway Park	<p>Join the National Park Service, Audubon Society, and Gary's Department of Environmental Affairs and Green Urbanism to explore the city with bird watching and a bike ride along the Green Link Trail. There will be interactive bird watching and a bike safety demonstration at Gateway Park.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts from Gateway Park located at the corner of U.S. Highway 20 and Broadway in Gary.</li> <li>2. You must wear a helmet to participate in this event.</li> </ol>

Paddling - Little Calumet River Water Trail	12:00 PM	4:30 PM	Keith Richard Walner Nature Preserve Parking Lot	<p>Please join us for the running of the Little Calumet River Water Trail. This trail is being maintained and improved by several groups including the Northwest Indiana Paddling Association and Save The Dunes. Concurrent to this effort has been the Shirley Heinze Land Trust's acquisition of several parcels of land along the river. The paddle will start from the Keith Richard Walner Nature Preserve. After dropping off your boats at the put-in, drive and park at the take-out at the Dunes Learning Center on Howe Road. Free transportation back to the put-in will be provided. Additional event-specific details will be emailed after registration. The free shuttle from the parking area will start at 12:00 pm. The last shuttle will leave at 2:00 pm. All paddlers must be off the water by 4:30 pm.</p> <p>Please bring your own boats and paddling equipment if you have it. Kayaks will be available to borrow. If you are going to borrow equipment, you must contact the Northwest Indiana Paddling Association in advance of the paddle to reserve equipment. Please use the following link to reserve a boat:</p> <p><a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/indiana-dunes-2019-outdoor-adventure-festival-paddling-event-tickets-73045680597">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/indiana-dunes-2019-outdoor-adventure-festival-paddling-event-tickets-73045680597</a></p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The put-in location is the Keith Richard Walner Nature Preserve located on Taylor Street in Chesterton (North of Indian Boundary Road and Calumet Avenue intersection past St. Patrick Catholic Church).</li> <li>2. The take-out and parking location the entrance to the Dunes Learning Center located at 700 North Howe Road in Porter.</li> <li>3. All paddlers must wear a personal flotation device (PFD).</li> <li>4. All paddlers must sign a waiver.</li> </ol>
History Hike - Bailly/Chellberg - Session 1	01:00 PM	03:00 PM	Chellberg Farm Parking Lot	<p>Join a national park ranger for a hike focusing on the lore of these historic homesteads. The hike features tours of the Chellberg Farm house and the Bailly Homestead grounds.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the main Bailly Chellberg parking lot off of Mineral Springs Road between U.S. Highway 12 and U.S. Highway 20.</li> </ol>
History Hunt - Chellberg Farm	01:00 PM	04:00 PM	Chellberg Farm Parking Lot	<p>The 5th annual history hunt will take place entirely within the Indiana Dunes National Park. Learn about historical sites within the national park, play games, and solve riddles. Walk, ride, or drive your way through dunes history. The hunt will cover about 4 miles and will cover some uneven terrain. Some areas are not accessible by car. Participants must begin the hunt by 3:00 pm.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the main Bailly Homestead / Chellberg Farm parking lot off of Mineral Springs Road between U.S. Highway 12 and U.S. Highway 20.</li> </ol>
Rollerblading with a Park Ranger - Oak Savannah Trail	01:30 PM	03:30 PM	Robinson Lake Park in Hobart	<p>Join National Park Ranger Anna Jones in exploring the Oak Savannah Trail with a ranger on roller blades. Bring your own skates, helmet, and protective equipment.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at Robinson Lake Park, 5227 South Liverpool Road in Hobart.</li> <li>2. A helmet must be worn while rollerblading.</li> </ol>
REI Outdoor School - Kayak Lake Michigan - A Beginners' Journey	01:30 PM	05:30 PM	Dunbar Beach Parking Lot	<p>Lake Michigan provides endless opportunities for kayak exploration and adventure. It rewards those who prepare well. This REI Outdoor School course will provide you with equipment knowledge, clothing selection, chart use, kayak maneuvers, and decision making tools that will help you prepare for paddling Lake Michigan. An introduction to kayak strokes, maneuvers, and rescues will be provided in a harbor setting. An interactive assessment of wind, waves, and weather will help determine where the rest of the journey takes us! Come prepared to get wet. Prerequisite: Learn to Kayak, or equivalent.</p> <p>Advance registration with REI and an additional \$99 fee for REI Members / \$119 for non-members is required. This is a class taught by professional instructors and includes most of the required equipment for the event. Please see the gear list during registration.</p> <p>Please register with REI at:  <a href="https://www.rei.com/events/67026/kayak-lake-michigan-level-1-beginners-journey/254717">https://www.rei.com/events/67026/kayak-lake-michigan-level-1-beginners-journey/254717</a></p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the Dunbar Beach parking lot on Lake Front Drive in Beverly Shores.</li> <li>2. You must register with REI using the above link, pay the programming fee, and sign the waiver in advance of the event.</li> </ol>
Photography - Trail 7 Hike - State Park	02:00 PM	03:30 PM	State Park - Nature Center	<p>Join dunes photographer, Edward Byrne, and a State Park Naturalist on this special hike along Trail 7 to learn the natural history and good spots and tips for photo composition. This trail was a favorite of the famous dunes landscape painter, Frank Dudley. The hike will follow Trail 7 from the Nature Center through the forested dunes to the shore of Lake Michigan and back. The total time and distance are 1.5 hours and 2.2 miles for this moderate difficulty hike. This program is being sponsored through an Arts in the Parks grant from the Indiana Art Commission and Indiana DNR.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In order to obtain free admission into the State Park for this festival event, you must either stop into the visitor center to receive a festival pass or print out your festival registration receipt to show at the state park's entrance station.</li> <li>2. This event starts at the Indiana Dunes State Park Nature Center located on State Road 49 in Chesterton.</li> </ol>

Horseback Riding on the Beach - West Beach - Session 2	02:00 PM	04:00 PM	West Beach Parking Lot	<p>Join fellow equestrians and national park ranger Penny Callahan for an extremely rare chance to ride on the beaches of Lake Michigan! There is an additional \$25 fee for this event to pay for cleanup and logistics.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at West Beach, located 376 North County Line Road in Portage.</li> <li>2. BYOH (bring your own horse). No horse rentals will be available.</li> <li>3. Additional event details will be emailed to those who register.</li> <li>4. There is a \$25 additional fee to pay for cleanup and logistics.</li> <li>5. For safety, no dogs will be allowed at this event.</li> <li>6. Please arrive between 1:00 pm and 1:30 pm to be able to start the ride at 2:00 pm. The beach will be open for riding from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. All horses must be off the beach by 4:00 pm.</li> <li>7. Due to the ever-changing conditions of Lake Michigan, the ride may need to be cancelled for safety reasons such as unsafe weather or riding conditions. Refunds will be given. We appreciate your understanding. An email will be sent out the day before if the event needs to be cancelled.</li> </ol>
Geocaching - Cache Us If You Can Limited Mobility Walk - Coffee Creek	03:00 PM	04:00 PM	Coffee Creek - Amphitheater	<p>Follow the route of GC6M86J which circles the front portion of the property on brick pavers and boardwalk. Special participants are Residences at Coffee Creek and the Duneland Senior group. This ADA-approved route is 1.2 miles long and takes approximately 45 minutes to complete. Answer questions about the property from information provided on the interpretative signing. Participants of any mobility are welcome...geocaching account not needed.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the Coffee Creek Preserve Amphitheater, located along State Road 49, just south of Sidewalk Road.</li> </ol>
Nature Hike - Keith Richard Walner Nature Preserve	03:00 PM	05:00 PM	Keith Richard Walner Nature Preserve Parking Lot	<p>Take a guided hike with Eric Bird of the Shirley Heinze Land Trust through the Keith Richard Walner Nature Preserve, which features upland forest, steep ravines, and nearly a half-mile of frontage along the East Arm of the Little Calumet River. The floodplain forest includes oxbows from the river's original course. Isolated by an Interstate highway, railroad tracks, and the river, the preserve has largely been protected from development and invasion by exotic species. Learn about the Shirley Hienze Land Trust's efforts to protect and restore natural areas in the region.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the Keith Richard Walner Nature Preserve located behind the Deer Run Apartment Complex on Taylor Street in Chesterton (North of the Indian Boundary Road and Calumet Avenue intersection past St. Patrick Catholic Church).</li> </ol>
Feed the Animals - Chellberg Farm	04:30 PM	05:00 PM	Chellberg Farm Parking Lot	<p>Help national park ranger Bill Smith feed the farm's cows, pigs, goats, chickens, and turkeys. This event is fun for everyone.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the main Chellberg Hay Barn. Parking is located just south of the farm off of Mineral Springs Road between U.S. Highway 12 and U.S. Highway 20.</li> </ol>
Photography - Off Trail - West Beach	04:30 PM	06:30 PM	West Beach Parking Lot	<p>Photograph West Beach like never before. Join national park ranger and photographer Rafi Wilkinson for a truly rare experience as we photograph areas of West Beach that are normally off limits. Bring your camera. Be prepared to hike in loose sand.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the West Beach parking lot located off of County Line Road north of U.S. Highway 12 in Portage.</li> </ol>
Sunset Stroll / Campfire - Kemil Beach	05:30 PM	06:45 PM	Kemil Beach Parking Lot	<p>Join a national park ranger for a campfire on Kemil Beach as we watch the sun set over beautiful Lake Michigan. Bring a chair or blanket to sit on and pack warm clothing. Local Musician Jim Nelson will be playing guitar and singing songs about the outdoors.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This event starts at the Kemil Beach parking lot located on East State Park Road in Beverly Shores.</li> <li>2. If you arrive late, please walk from the parking lot down to Kemil Beach.</li> </ol>
Owl Prowl - State Park	07:00 PM	08:00 PM	State Park - Nature Center	<p>For a hootin' good time, join State Park Naturalists for an easy walk as they try to call in native owls of the dunes. This is a long standing, popular program of the State Park that should not be missed!</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In order to obtain free admission into the State Park for this festival event, you must either stop into the visitor center to receive your festival pass or print out your festival registration receipt to show at the state park's entrance station.</li> <li>2. This event starts at the Indiana Dunes State Park Nature Center located on State Road 49 in Chesterton.</li> </ol>

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Event Name	Start Time	End Time	Starting Location	Full Description
Photography - Sunrise Hike - Mount Baldy	06:00 AM	08:00 AM	Mount Baldy Parking Lot	<p>Join national park ranger and photographer Rafi Wilkinson for an incredible opportunity to watch the sun rise over Mount Baldy. Bring your camera and tripod for instructional tips on how to capture a pleasing sunrise photograph. The total length of the hike is 1.5 miles. The hike does involve a steep climb in the sand up Mount Baldy.</p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the Mount Baldy parking lot located on U.S. Highway 12 in Michigan City.</p>
REI Outdoor School - Fall Colors Outdoor Photography	07:00 AM	09:00 AM	Cowles Bog Trail North Parking Lot	<p>Are you heading out this fall with friends and family? We want to help you capture great fall photos to remember that special person or landscape for years to come! Our REI Expert Outdoor School Instructor will help you unlock that great photo! This course is designed for customers with a basic understanding of how to use their camera. With special access to beautiful locations to inspire you, you will learn how to capture amazing fall color photography. In a fun atmosphere, we will teach you how to use settings on your camera to capture the best results even in wet conditions! This course is appropriate for beginners to intermediate photographers using any kind of camera.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Learn how to use settings on camera to get best results</li> <li>- Learn how to capture amazing color</li> <li>- Learn about great outdoor locations for photos in your region</li> <li>- Learn how to optimize your color in different light and weather conditions</li> <li>- Have fun learning tips for fall photography!</li> </ul> <p>Advance registration with REI and an additional \$69 fee for REI Members / \$89 for non-members is required. This is a class taught by professional instructors and includes most of the required equipment for the event. Please see the gear list during registration.</p> <p>Please register with REI at: <a href="https://www.rei.com/events/44656/fall-colors-outdoor-photography/246621">https://www.rei.com/events/44656/fall-colors-outdoor-photography/246621</a></p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the north Cowles Bog gravel parking lot on Mineral Springs Road, just south of the Dunes Acres guard shack. 2. You must register with REI using the above link, pay the programming fee, and sign the waiver in advance of the event.</p>
Birding Hike - State Park	07:30 AM	09:30 AM	State Park - Nature Center	<p>Join a State Park Naturalist for a morning birding hike. The State Park is one of the best spots in the whole region for birding. Please bring binoculars if you have them. Several pairs will be available to borrow.</p> <p>Notes: 1. In order to obtain free admission into the State Park for this festival event, you must either stop into the visitor center to receive your festival pass or print out your festival registration receipt to show at the state park's entrance station. 2. This event starts at the Indiana Dunes State Park Nature Center located on State Road 49 in Chesterton.</p>
Birding Hike - Meadowbrook Nature Preserve	08:00 AM	11:00 AM	Meadowbrook Nature Preserve	<p>Join Sarah Barnes of the Shirley Heinze Land Trust for a birding hike at Meadowbrook Nature Preserve, which features woods, wetlands, streams and pockets of prairie. Over 100 different species of birds have been spotted here. We will look for fall migrating birds. Beginners are welcome, limited equipment available to borrow.</p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the Meadowbrook Nature Preserve located at 109W 700N in Valparaiso.</p>
Bus Tour - National Park Locations - Session 1	09:00 AM	11:00 AM	Indiana Dunes Visitor Center	<p>Join national park ranger Penny Callahan for a two-hour tour of Indiana Dunes National Park in one of our heated buses. This is a great way to see a lot of the national park without a lot of walking.</p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the Indiana Dunes Visitor Center on State Road 49 in Porter.</p>
History Hike - Bailly/Chellberg - Session 2	09:00 AM	11:00 AM	Chellberg Farm Parking Lot	<p>Join a national park ranger for a hike focusing on the lore of these historic homesteads. The hike features tours of the Chellberg Farm house and the Bailly Homestead grounds.</p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the main Bailly Chellberg parking lot off of Mineral Springs Road between U.S. Highway 12 and U.S. Highway 20.</p>
Bike Ride - Geology of the Region	09:00 AM	01:00 PM	Calumet Dunes Trail (USGS Research Station) Parking Lot	<p>Join professor Dave Dolak for a unique bicycle-level perspective of the Indiana Dunes National Park. Dave is an avid cyclist and has studied the geology of the region for over 30 years. The highlights of the interpretive ride include views along the lake, visiting Mount Baldy, hiking into Pinhook Bog, and learning about the fascinating history that the land tells us about the ending of the last ice age and the formation of the Valparaiso Moraine and the ancient beach ridges of Lake Michigan. The ride is approximately 35 miles in length.</p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the U.S. Geological Survey parking lot located at the corner of U.S. Highway 12 and East State Park Road (Kemil Road / 300E). This is the site of the old visitor center. 2. Please bring water, lunch, snacks. 3. The ride includes a one-mile round-trip hike into Pinhook Bog. For the hike, it is recommended to bring walking shoes or sandals as the trail can be slightly wet. 4. The ride distance is approximately 35 miles. Most of the ride will be on lightly traveled, paved county roads with one brief section of well-graded unpaved surface. As with all road riding, bright visible clothing and/or reflectors and lights are recommended. 5. Please arrive at 8:30 am to be able to start the ride at 9:00 am. 6. A helmet is required to participate in the event. 7. Please make sure that you bike is in good working condition.</p>

Kids Scavenger Hunt - Paul H. Douglas Center	09:00 AM	04:00 PM	Paul H. Douglas Center for Environmental Education	<p>Bring your kids for a monarch butterfly-themed scavenger hike with a park ranger at the Paul H. Douglas Center for Environmental Education. Kids will enjoy the outdoor beauty of the Nature PlayZone.</p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the Paul H. Douglas Center located on Lake Street in Miller.</p>
Geocaching - Brincka-Cross Gardens	10:00 AM	11:00 AM	Brincka-Cross Gardens	<p>Approved by the Porter County Park Board, this new cache will publish at 10:00 am thru Geocaching.com via e-mail message. This quick 15-minute multi-cache will lead you to points of interest from four interpretative signs at the front of the property showcasing an artist's vision of a landscaped garden by Bill Brincka and Basil Cross in the 1960's. Solve for the special container located in the meditation garden. FTF (First To Find) prize of a \$25.00 gift card for lunch or dinner at Octave Grill in downtown Chesterton, compliments of Northwest Indiana Geocachers. Learn about the Outdoor Adventurer Octave Chanute while munching on a grass-fed burger! Large parking area located to the west of the property. Meet at the front of the Frank Lloyd Wright inspired home.</p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at Brincka-Cross Gardens located at 427 E Furness Road, Michigan City, IN 46360.</p>
Ecology Hike - Pannes and Oak Savanna - Miller Woods	10:00 AM	12:00 PM	Paul H. Douglas Center for Environmental Education	<p>Join Laura Brennan, a National Park Botanist and habitat expert, for a special tour of the pannes (ponds) and globally rare black oak savanna in Miller woods. Laura has been instrumental in the care and restoration of these incredible habitats. Please wear long pants and hiking boots to be able to walk off trail. The total trail length is approximately 3.0 miles and moderate in difficulty.</p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the Paul H. Douglas Center located on Lake Street in Miller.</p>
REI Outdoor School - Wilderness Survival - 10 Essential Tips	10:00 AM	02:00 PM	Glenwood Dunes Trail U.S. Highway 20 Parking Lot	<p>Do you know what to do if something goes awry on your next outdoor excursion? During this class you will learn practical tips and strategies that every outdoor traveler should know. We'll cover the 10 essentials and their practical applications. You'll also learn about emergency priorities, how to make an emergency shelter, how to locate and access drinking water, and how to start a fire. This class is designed for anyone who spends time outside and wants to build their confidence with outdoor skills.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Learn the 10 essentials and how to use them</li> <li>- Understand Survival Priorities</li> <li>- Practice building simple tarp shelters, filtering water, and starting a fire</li> <li>- Build confidence in your outdoor self-reliance skills</li> </ul> <p>Advance registration with REI and an additional \$69 fee for REI Members / \$89 for non-members is required. This is a class taught by professional instructors and includes most of the required equipment for the event. Please see the gear list during registration.</p> <p>Please register with REI at: <a href="https://www.rei.com/events/92185/wilderness-survival-10-essentials/254723">https://www.rei.com/events/92185/wilderness-survival-10-essentials/254723</a></p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the Glenwood Dunes Trail U.S. Highway 20 parking lot located at the intersection of U.S. Highway 20 and Brummitt Road. 2. You must register with REI using the above link, pay the programming fee, and sign the waiver in advance of the event.</p>
Open House - Pinhook Bog	10:00 AM	03:00 PM	Pinhook Bog Parking Lot	<p>Take a guided hike into the amazing Pinhook Bog! Rangers and volunteers stationed along the trail will help you understand this unique remnant of the last ice age that is filled with carnivorous insect-eating plants, orchids, and many other interesting plants. Allow one hour to walk the trail and tour the quaking bog. Please arrive before 2:00 pm to allow enough time to complete the tour.</p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the Pinhook Bog parking lot located at 920 North Wozniak Road in Michigan City.</p>
Geocaching - Portage Lakefront and Riverwalk	12:00 PM	01:00 PM	Portage Lakefront and Riverwalk Pavilion	<p>Join fellow geocacher and National Park Ranger, Steve Rossi, to complete the new "Save the Dunes" Adventure Lab cache. Learn about geocaching and the history of dune preservation on this 1-mile hike around Portage Lakefront and Riverwalk.</p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the Portage Lakefront and Riverwalk Pavilion located at 100 Riverwalk Drive in Portage.</p>
Hike for a Kid, By a Kid! - Coffee Creek	12:00 PM	01:00 PM	Coffee Creek - Pavilion	<p>Join Lottie, a local 6 year old nature-lover, who will lead (with the assistance of some grown-ups) an immersive nature experience for kids, by a kid. See Coffee Creek Watershed Preserve in a whole new light, through the eyes of a child. Be prepared to crouch down and get close to nature, so wear your play clothes! "Bring-your-own-picnic-lunch" to immediately follow the hike.</p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the Coffee Creek Pavilion, located at 178 East Sidewalk Road in Chesterton.</p>
Secrets of Succession Trail Hike - West Beach	12:00 PM	01:00 PM	West Beach Parking Lot	<p>Hike with national park rangers Rafi Wilkinson and JP Anderson on the Dunes Succession trail at West Beach. This short one mile trail offers spectacular views of Lake Michigan and Chicago and features over 250 stairs along the way. The trail really shows off the uniqueness of the varied habitats of the Indiana Dunes.</p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the West Beach parking lot located off of County Line Road north of U.S. Highway 12 in Portage.</p>
Bus Tour - National Park - Session 2	01:00 PM	03:00 PM	Indiana Dunes Visitor Center	<p>Join national park ranger Penny Callahan for a two-hour tour of Indiana Dunes National Park in one of our heated buses. This is a great way to see a lot of the national park without a lot of walking.</p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the Indiana Dunes Visitor Center on State Road 49 in Porter.</p>

Quidditch Tournament - Chellberg Farm	01:00 PM	03:00 PM	Chellberg Farm Parking Lot	<p>Yes, the Harry Potter craze has made its way into schools, playgrounds, and backyards across the country. And now, Chellberg Farm! Please come out and join in on the fun. The unique children's game is a cross between soccer, dodgeball, and tag. Kids and adults of all ages welcome. No experience necessary. Wear clothes to run in and get dirty.</p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the main Bailly Chellberg parking lot off of Mineral Springs Road between U.S. Highway 12 and U.S. Highway 20.</p>
REI Outdoor School - Fall Colors Cowles Bog Guided Hike	01:00 PM	5:00 PM	Cowles Bog Trail North Parking Lot	<p>Come join the REI Outdoor School on a trip to discover the yellow, red, orange, and gold colors of fall as you traverse some of the areas best trails. Enjoy the autumn leaves, crisp air, picturesque vistas, and information on the surrounding areas history and nature at a relaxed pace. Plus we'll share a few tips to help you stay comfortable on your own hikes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Meet other local hikers</li> <li>- Gain basic hiking skills</li> <li>- Learn natural history of the area</li> <li>- Learn tips and tools to make your hiking more comfortable and enjoyable</li> </ul> <p>Advance registration with REI and an additional \$49 fee for REI Members / \$69 for non-members is required. This is a class taught by professional instructors and includes most of the required equipment for the event. Please see the gear list during registration.</p> <p>Please register with REI at: <a href="https://www.rei.com/events/44908/fall-colors-hike/254301">https://www.rei.com/events/44908/fall-colors-hike/254301</a></p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the north Cowles Bog gravel parking lot on Mineral Springs Road, just south of the Dunes Acres guard shack. 2. You must register with REI using the above link, pay the programming fee, and sign the waiver in advance of the event.</p>
Featured Hike - Miller Woods	01:30 PM	03:30 PM	Paul H. Douglas Center for Environmental Education	<p>Join a national park ranger for a hike through the Indiana Dunes National Park's exceptional Miller Woods. The hike follows the Paul H. Douglas Trail and is spectacular in its varied habitats including globally rare black oak savanna, interdunal pannes, wetlands, and towering sand dunes that offer incredible views of Lake Michigan and Chicago.</p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the Paul H. Douglas Center on Lake Street in Miller.</p>
All-Abilities Hike - Portage Lakefront	02:00 PM	03:00 PM	Portage Lakefront and Riverwalk Pavilion	<p>Join a national park ranger for an all-abilities hike of the Portage Lakefront and Riverwalk. This area allows visitors to witness how a once-severely impaired industrial land can be restored to a beautiful park. This trail is paved and less than a mile in length and is wheelchair accessible.</p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the Portage Lakefront and Riverwalk Pavilion in Portage.</p>
Early Fall Colors Hike - Chellberg Farm	02:00 PM	03:00 PM	Chellberg Farm Parking Lot	<p>The open areas surrounding Chellberg Farm will allow breathtaking views of the maples in prime fall colors. Join a national park ranger to stroll the paths; the hike will be approximately 2.0 miles.</p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the main Bailly Chellberg parking lot off of Mineral Springs Road between U.S. Highway 12 and U.S. Highway 20.</p>
Geocaching - Glaciers and Dunes and Lakes, Oh My! - Kemil Beach	02:00 PM	03:00 PM	Kemil Beach Parking Lot	<p>Find the Geocache GC7PNTZ. Originally published in October 2018 by Earth Cache Master (Platinum Level) Shawn Gerbers. Shawn will lead a guided hike along the Dunes Ridge Trail. Learn about the glaciers that formed the dunes as we know them today. Trail is terrain rated 3 or Moderately Strenuous in parts.</p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the Kemil Beach parking lot located on East State Park Road in Beverly Shores.</p>
Feed the Animals - Chellberg Farm	04:30 PM	05:00 PM	Chellberg Farm Parking Lot	<p>Help national park ranger Bill Smith feed the farm's cows, pigs, goats, chickens, and turkeys. This event is fun for everyone.</p> <p>Notes: 1. This event starts at the main Chellberg Hay Barn. Parking is located just south of the farm off of Mineral Springs Road between U.S. Highway 12 and U.S. Highway 20.</p>