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WONDERBUG DISCOVERIES (AGES 18 MONTHS- 3 YEARS WITH PARENT) (ACY) JUNE 6-JULY 17, JULY 18-AUGUST 21

This parent-child nature discovery program is highly sensory-based involving themed storybooks, songs, hands-on time, and outdoor time with exploratory walks through the Purdy Nature Preserve. Each week will focus on a different theme or topic in nature. A portion of each class will be held outdoors, weather permitting, so dress accordingly! Class will not be held on July 6th.

OUTRAGEOUS OUTDOORS (AGES 3-5 YEARS) (ACY) JUNE 6-JULY 17, JULY 18-AUGUST 21

This exciting class gives your child a chance to learn all about the beauty and wonder of the natural world through hands-on activities, games, stories and crafts related to the nature theme of the week, as well as time outdoors exploring nature. Please have your child dressed for the weather as a portion of each class will be held outdoors, weather permitting. Class will not be held on July 5th.

POND ADVENTURES (AGES 5-9 YEARS) (ACY) JUNE 6-JULY 17

Learn about frogs, tadpoles, turtles, aquatic insects and more in this hands-on class. Dress to get your feet wet and muddy! Class includes outdoor activities as well as crafts, games, and stories. No class July 4th.

LET'S TAKE A HIKE (AGES 5-9 YEARS) (ACY) JULY 18-AUGUST 21

Join us for short hikes on the Purdy preserve while we learn each week about different animals that call the preserve their home, including deer, chipmunks, and songbirds. There will be time to explore both on and off the trail and for games and other activities as well! No class July 4th.

ARCHERY 101 (AGES 8-14) (ACY) JUNE 6-AUGUST 21

Learn the basics of archery including the "11 steps to becoming a successful archer." Class follows National Archery in Schools Program (NASP) guidelines. All equipment is provided, but experienced students may bring their own equipment if it meets the instructor's standards. Class will be held outdoors. No class July 4th.

ADULT AND FAMILY PROGRAMMING

SUMMER SOLSTICE PLANT WALK WITH AN HERBALIST (Recommended Ages: Adults and children 10+)- Tuesday, June 21, 5:30-7:30 PM

Enjoy the longest daylight hours of the year with a guided hike in the Bruce B. Purdy Nature Preserve at the Apple Creek YMCA. Learn about wild plant identification and their herbal and edible uses. Walk led by Robin Ahrens, herbalist and owner of Barberry Herbal Resource Center in Appleton. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Participants should be prepared with proper dress for the weather and footwear for hiking. It is highly recommended to bring a water bottle and bug spray. Please note that hilly terrain at the Purdy Preserve may be difficult for some hikers.

Class name	YMCA	Age	Day	Start	End	Y Member	General Public
Wonderbug Discoveries June 6-July 17	ACY	18months- 3 years	W	9:30 AM	10:30 AM	\$23	\$41
Wonderbug Discoveries July 18-Aug 21	ACY	18 months- 3 years	W	9:30 AM	10:30 AM	\$23	\$41
Outrageous Outdoors June 6-July 17	ACY	3-5 years	T	10:00 AM	11:30 AM	\$34	\$52
Outrageous Outdoors July 18-Aug 21	ACY	3-5 years	T	10:00 AM	11:30 AM	\$34	\$52
Pond Adventures June 6-July 17	ACY	5-9 years	M	9:30 AM	11:00 AM	\$34	\$52
Let's Take a Hike July 18-Aug 21	ACY	5-9 years	M	9:30 AM	11:00 AM	\$34	\$52
Archery 101- June 6-Aug 21	ACY	8-14 years	M	4:30 PM	5:15 PM	\$40	\$60
Summer Solstice Plant Walk- June 21	ACY	10+	T	5:30 PM	7:30 PM	FREE	\$6/ person

SCHOOL PROGRAMMING

The Apple Creek YMCA and Bruce B. Purdy Nature Preserve is now accepting field trip registrations for the 2021-2022 school year for grades K-12. Local schools may book trips on a variety of different topics including plants, animals, forestry, pond study and much more. Programs will be tailored to each school's curriculum needs and will be led by YMCA naturalists. Call 733.9622 or email the Environmental Education Director at svondracek@ymcafoxcities.org for a complete list of programming options.

LEADERS FOR GIRL, BOY AND CUB SCOUTS OR OTHER YOUTH GROUPS

Scouts of all ages may schedule time with a YMCA Naturalist to fulfill requirements for outdoor related try-its, achievements or badges they are working on. Cost for a 1-2 hour session is \$3 per child. Programs can be held at your normal meeting location or at the Y.

BECOME A PRESERVE VOLUNTEER

Volunteers are needed for many outdoor related tasks such as mowing, tree trimming, trail maintenance and more. Call 733.9622 for more details on how you can help shape the Bruce B. Purdy Nature Preserve.