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Celebrate Volunteers!

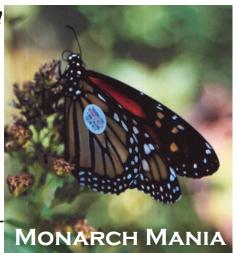
Our Volunteers are the BEST! Each year we stop and try to let them know how much we appreciate them at a celebration where they don't have to help!

At the LakeSide room at Bjorklunden from 5-7 PM on August 21

- Wine and punch
- Substantial hors d'oeuvres from the Cornerstone
- Music by Bruce and Beth
- Many thanks from the Staff and Board

The Amazing Migration of the Monarch Butterfly August 26 & 27 10 AM-Noon

Learn about the life and times of this marathon flier. Then capture, tag, & release some before they start their journey to a warmer climate. Program is the same both days.



Pre-registration is required (Limit 20). Call the The Ridges: 839-2802 A No Family Left Inside program. \$10/family

RECYCLING **EXTRAVAGANZA**

Donate your gently used items to The Ridges' Flea Market. (no clothes, used electronics, furniture, or fleas). **Set Up a Booth.** \$25 for a 10'x20' space.

All proceeds are yours! Call to reserve. Come and Look! You're sure to find some great deals on books, Christmas décor, gas grills, and more!

Behind the Sandpiper Restaurant.





Coming Up!

Aug 21 • CELEBRATE Volunteers who keep The Ridges running! Bjorklunden

Aug 26 & 27 · Monarch Mania

Learn about these marathon fliers and then out to the field to tag some for scientific study. 10 AM

Sept 8 • WI Naturalist Progrām starts at Gibraltar School. 10 week course. 6 PM

Sept 10 • Phragmites Work Day at Clark Lake. Refreshments. 8:30 AM—???

Sept 16 • A Hike in the **Night** A family program at the Marshall cabin. 6-7:30 PM

Sept 17 • Flea Market Lots of great bargains! Behind the Sandpiper. 8 AM—2 PM

Sept 21 • Member Cookout *Members & volunteers are* invited to join the staff for a cookout. 11:30 AM—1 PM

Sept 30 • Logan Creek **Hike** Hike our Old Growth forest on Loritz Rd. 1:00 PM

Oct 1 • Logan Creek Hike Hike our Old Growth forest on Loritz Rd.1:00 PM

Oct 1 • Volunteer Work Day at The Ridges 8:30-Noon. Chili Lunch!

Oct 8 • Early Birders Meet**ing** Migration at Crossroads at Big Creek. 10-Noon

Oct 14 • Creatures of the **Night** A family program at the Marshall cabin. 6-7:30

Nov 12 • Early Birders *Winter Feeders & Christmas* counting. 10—Noon

Dec 10 • Natural Christmas Luminarias, a campfire, crafts, wreathmaking—all the elements of an old-fashioned Christmas event. 3-6 PM

For more information call The Ridges or visit our website http://RidgesSanctuary.org

We Wish ...

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\$\$ for clean cedar wood chips Digital cameras (used is fine) Heavy Metal Shelving units Black sunflower seeds for the birds Donations for the Flea Market

Wishes Do Come True! For a list of our many wonderful benefactors, go to the "Donors" link at http://RidgesSanctuary.org.

Call: (920) 839-2802 • or visit our website for more information: http://RidgesSanctuary.org



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Join the Celebration!

Discover the beauty of the night!

A Hike in the Night
Friday September 16
6:30—8 PM

Meet the critters who roam the dark!

Creatures of the Night

Friday October 14

6:30—8 PM

Pre-registration required for both programs: Call the Northern Door YMCA: 868-3660 or The Ridges: 839-2802 A No Family Left Inside program. \$10/family



RESTORE

the Range Light

Lower Range Light Renovations! Since The Ridges Sanctuary's beginning in 1937, the Lower Range Light has served as an icon of the unique area of biodiversity that surrounds it. It is in need of restoration to preserve the historic structure. Because of the historic nature of the Range Lights, there are restrictions on how the work must be done. Volunteers will be doing much of the work—especially our awesome Wednesday Crew aided by Board Member Bob Ryan. Please consider helping with this much needed project. Anyone donating \$50 or more will receive a special Phil Austin Range Lights print. (The print was originally produced to raise funds for the 1994 renovation of the Range Lights.)

Trail Talk at The Ridges

• Welcome New Board Members Four new board members were voted in at the Annual Meeting. Welcome to Jim Jauquet, Jeanne Majeski, Ed Miller, and Roy Thilly. Thank you to these special people for accepting the challenge and thank you to those who gave us their time and are leaving the Board, Alan Kimbell, Jean Leavitt, and Betsy Rogers.

- Grape Job! Congratulations to our summer naturalist, Erica Brock, who won the Grape Stompin' Contest at Carlsville Days! Along with the impressive traveling trophy, Erica won \$500 worth of wine for The Ridges Sanctuary.
- Great Chili! Come and help spruce up the Sanctuary after the busy summer season. We'll have tasks for all sizes and abilities. Free wheelbarrow rides by request only. Come for an hour or come for two—come for the great chili lunch at Noon! October 1 from 8:30-Noon.
- *Crisp Fall Days* are a perfect time to spend a couple of hours at The Ridges Sanctuary. If you can spare a little time to staff our nature center—we promise you will enjoy meeting nature-oriented people who walk the trails—and you will certainly enjoy the great feeling of helping support this pristine Sanctuary! Call Pam Gregory at 839-2802.
- A Picture is Worth a 1,000 Words and to those who donated used digital camera we give a thousand thanks. We now have eight simple digital cameras and one SLR camera for our kids' camera program. Just two more and we'll be ready for our Fall class at the schools! It will be a great way to get kids interested in nature! We have been using them already in summer workshops and Early Birders in September.
- *Next year is SPECIAL!* We are already planning celebratory events like a July Art Show at the Door Community Auditorium, publication of the Memories book, and a big birthday bash! We will be celebrating the vision of our founders, the milestones we've passed, and the direction we're going! Got some ideas for how to celebrate? Let us know.



Mike Madden leads participants in a FunDay Monday workshop building a wigwam like the Native Americans did.

Learn more on any of these items at http://RidgesSanctuary.org

Check your mailing label for an expiration date for <u>your</u> membership and support the oldest member-based nature preserve in Wisconsin. Or consider a donation to support The Ridges. *Please let us know if you wish to remain anonymous*.

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