Celebrating the Natural Beauty of the Door Peninsula
Partners in Conservation

Once again, these conversation organizations have come together to bring you the Door County Festival of Nature. Though the missions of our partnering organizations overlap, each brings a particular strength and focus to the goals of preservation and environmental stewardship.

Open Door Bird Sanctuary

Come enjoy the unique experience of birds of prey in a natural environment! Be awed and inspired by close encounters with raptors during a 1-hour program, talk with educators, see and touch artifacts and visit birds on display. With 34 acres of serene landscape, 3 different scenic hikes and a picnic area, make it an afternoon to remember! Open to the public Saturdays June 22-August 31; Friday 7/5 and Sunday 9/1. Program at 1 pm, guided trail hike 2:30 pm - open 12-4 pm. (Private tours are available at any time by appointment.)

Greater Escarpment Organization of Door County

The mission of the Greater Escarpment Organization of Door County is to cultivate knowledge and stewardship of the Niagara Escarpment and its geological, ecological, and cultural wonders through raising awareness in people of all ages and from all walks of life. Further information about us can be found at our website and Facebook: www.geo-dc.org and Facebook.com/geo.doorcounty

The Nature Conservancy

The Nature Conservancy is an international organization with chapters all over the United States and conservation partners worldwide. The Conservancy’s decisions are based on scientific research and focused on protecting the diversity of life on earth. The staff of The Conservancy’s Door Peninsula Project concentrate on the preservation of ecologically significant lands and waters in Door County.

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

In keeping with its mission, the Wisconsin DNR is dedicated to working with the citizens and businesses of Wisconsin while preserving and enhancing the natural resources of Wisconsin – our air, land and water, our wildlife, fish and forests and the ecosystems that sustain all life. In partnership with individuals and organizations, DNR staff promote a healthy, sustainable environment and a full range of outdoor opportunities.

Wisconsin Wetlands Association

Wisconsin Wetlands Association is a statewide, non-partisan, and science-based organization dedicated to the protection, restoration, and enjoyment of wetlands and associated ecosystems through science-based programs, education, and advocacy. We envision a state where wetlands are healthy and plentiful and support ecological and societal needs and where citizens care for, appreciate, and interact with these natural resources. We are celebrating 50 years of wetlands conservation during our Golden Anniversary in 2019, so watch for special field trips and events this year. For more information, visit wisconsinwetlands.org.
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Registration
The 2019 Festival of Nature offers a full slate of field trips, classes and activities throughout Door County, and registration opens March 18 at 10 am CST. There is a maximum number of participants allowed for each field trip or program, so registering early is the best way to ensure you get to participate in the activities you want. Registration is easy – go to www.RidgesSanctuary.org or call 920-839-2802. We’ll confirm your registration by email.

Walk-in Registration & Field Trip Packet Pick-Up
May 23, 24 & 25, 9 AM - 5 PM
The Cook-Albert Fuller Center, 8166 Hwy 57 (Hwy 57 & Ridges Road), Baileys Harbor, Wisconsin
Walk-in registration* and packet pick-up will be held at The Ridges Cook-Albert Fuller Nature Center during business hours as noted above. Field trip packets contain your name tag, itinerary, a map of field trip locations and other informative supplemental material.

*Many field trips fill quickly, so walk-in registrants may have a limited number of activities from which to choose.

Cancellation & Refund Policy
The Door County Festival of Nature reserves the right to cancel an activity or field trip when necessary. If a trip is canceled, you will be notified as soon as possible so that you may select an alternate trip or receive a full refund.

You can cancel your registration by email or phone. Cancellations made on or before Saturday, May 11 will be refunded in full minus a $10 processing fee. Cancellations from May 12 through 20 will be refunded at 50% of the total fees. Refunds will not be issued for cancellations made on May 21 or later.

Planning Your Trip
Transportation: Transportation for field trips is NOT provided unless indicated in the trip description. Those trips will carpool from a designated meeting location.

Field Trip Tips: We recommend arriving 15 minutes early to check in with your trip leader. We also suggest that you bring insect repellent, sunscreen, water and appropriate footwear and clothing.

Weather: Lake breezes moderate the local temperatures, and spring weather in Door County is often cool and/or rainy. Field trips will run rain or shine, so prepare for variable weather!

Meals: Meals are not included in the registration fees.

Where to Stay: Lodging in Door County on Memorial Day weekend can be limited. We suggest that you make reservations well in advance. For more information on lodging options, contact:
- Door County Visitor Bureau 920-743-4456 or 800-527-3529 www.doorcounty.com
- Door County Lodging www.doorcountylodging.com

Kayak Rental: If needed, full or half-day kayak rentals are available from Bay Shore Outfitters in Sister Bay at 920.854.7598. Mention the Festival of Nature for discounted rates.
MIX & MINGLE
Thursday, May 23: 4:00 - 7:00 PM
Location: The Ridges Cook-Albert Fuller Nature Center
8166 Hwy 57 (Hwy 57 & Ridges Road, Baileys Harbor)
Stop by to register or pick up your field trip packet. Stay and enjoy a delightful assortment of snacks while mingling with Festival Field Trip Leaders and fellow participants. Free.

FESTIVAL DINNER & KEYNOTE PRESENTATION
Friday, May 25
Location: About Thyme Farm 8425 Cty. F, Baileys Harbor
After a day exploring the natural splendor of Door County, spend a relaxing evening in the picturesque setting of About Thyme Farm, an organic farm on the outskirts of Baileys Harbor. The Farm’s beautifully restored, rustic barn is the setting for both our dinner and keynote presentation this year. Casual, layered attire is recommended since weather can be cool in May. Most field trip attire will be appropriate for the casual ambience of the farm.

Like many of the properties featured on our Festival field trips, About Thyme Farm is privately owned and is not open to the public. We know you’ll enjoy this special opportunity to experience this lovely property and ask that you respect the privacy of those who live and work on the Farm by coming only during the times specified for Festival activities.

Reception & Beverage Service: 4:30 PM
Dinner: 5:00 PM
Enjoy a delectable buffet style dinner with dessert prepared by About Thyme Catering.
$30/person  Register by May 11  Limit: 150

Welcome & General Announcements: 6:15 PM
Keynote Presentation: 6:30 PM
Jordan Karsten, Assistant Professor at UW Oshkosh
Jordan Karsten is a biological anthropologist with research interests in human osteology, bioarchaeology, forensic anthropology, and paleoanthropology. One major focus of Dr. Karsten’s research has been investigating the biological and behavioral consequences of the transition to agriculture in prehistory. This research has allowed Dr. Karsten to travel internationally where his research has been focused on analyzing human skeletons that he’s excavated from Vertebra Cave, Ukraine. Locally, Dr. Karsten works with local law enforcement to analyze and identify human bone recovered from potential crime scenes and other death investigations.

Bird City Wisconsin - Door County
The same natural features that draw millions of visitors to Door County each year also attract multitudes of birds, making Door County a birder’s paradise for both nesting and migratory species. In total, over 300 species – one-third of North America’s native bird population – have been spotted along the peninsula and outlying islands. For this reason, the entire county was designated a Bird City Wisconsin community on July 28th, 2014.

This year Door County’s Migratory Bird Day, May 11, will be celebrated as part of the Door County Festival of Nature through a series of birding field trips.
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Karl & Tonda welcome you!
## Festival Activities at a Glance

Fast, easy registration is available at www.RidgesSanctuary.org or call 920.839.2802 No fee for children under 18

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**Friday, May 24  Morning**

1. Early Birds at Baileys Harbor Boreal Forest and Wetlands SNA  
   6:00 – 8:00 AM  
   $25 10

2. Birding Door County's Natural Areas on Washington Island  
   7:00 AM – 4:30 PM  
   $90 22

3. Birding by Ear for Beginners  
   8:00 – 11:00 AM  
   $25 10

4. Lighthouse Bike Tour – NEW  
   8:00 – 11:30 AM  
   $25 12

5. Segway Ridges Road – NEW  
   9:00 – 11:00 AM  
   $50 8

6. Fossil Hike  
   9:00 – 11:30 AM  
   $25 16

7. Forest Mindfulness Immersion  
   9:00 – 11:30 AM  
   $25 12

8. Peil Creek Headwaters Hike  
   9:00 – 11:30 AM  
   $25 15

9. Shipwreck Paddle Tour  
   9:00 – 11:00 AM  
   $25 10*

10. Ellison Bay Bluff Exploration  
    9:00 – 11:30 AM  
    $25 20

11. Paddling the Forestville Mill Pond on the Ahnapee River  
    9:00 – 11:30 AM  
    $25 10*

12. Flower Form and Function – NEW  
    9:00 – 11:30 AM  
    $25 16

13. Miller Conservation Easement  
    9:00 – 11:30 AM  
    $25 16

14. Clark Lake Pontoon  
    10:00 – 11:30 AM  
    $25 15

15. Lakeside Coastal Tour  
    10:00 AM – 12:00 PM  
    $45 20

**Friday, May 24  Afternoon**

16. Plum and Pilot Islands Tour  
    12:15 – 4:30 PM  
    $45 14

17. Fossil Hike  
    1:30 – 4:00 PM  
    $25 16

18. Brey Cycle Demo Farm Tour  
    1:30 – 4:00 PM  
    $25 20

19. Shipwreck Paddle Tour  
    1:30 – 3:30 PM  
    $25 10*

20. Cozy up to Conifers  
    1:30 – 4:00 PM  
    $25 16

21. Behind the Scenes at Open Door Bird Sanctuary  
    1:30 – 3:30 PM  
    $25 15

22. Segway Cave Point – NEW  
    1:30 – 3:30 PM  
    $50 8

23. Traditional Uses of Native Plants by Indigenous People – NEW  
    1:30 – 4:00 PM  
    $25 15

24. Botany and Geology of The Clearing – NEW  
    1:30 – 4:00 PM  
    $25 15

25. Europe Lake Exploration  
    1:30 – 4:00 PM  
    $25 20

    1:30 – 4:00 PM  
    $25 18

27. Niagara Escarpment Underground – NEW  
    1:30 – 4:00 PM  
    $25 12

28. Clark Lake Pontoon Tour  
    2:00 – 3:30 PM  
    $25 20

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Friday, May 24 – Morning

1. Early Birds at Baileys Harbor Boreal Forest and Wetlands SNA
   Friday, May 24, 6:00 – 8:00 am
   Leader: Mike Grimm
   Fee: $25
   Catch the birds as they sing their morning chorus. This walk will emphasize migratory and resident birds that rely on the coastal forests of Door County. Easy hike - bring binoculars and wear good walking shoes.
   CENTRAL. Meet: Baileys Harbor Boreal Forest & Wetlands SNA. Limit: 10

2. Birding Door County’s Natural Areas on Washington Island
   Friday, May 24, 7:00 am – 4:30 pm
   Leaders: Terrie Cooper & Paul Regnier
   Fee: $90
   An all-day birding and natural areas tour led by Naturalist Paul Regnier, Door County Land Trust’s Director of Land Programs, Terrie Cooper and Washington Island birders. Tour the Island’s well known and lessor known State Natural Areas in search of migrating warblers and neotropical songbirds, plus shorebirds and waterfowl. Leave the driving to us, and ride in comfort on a minibus to birding and natural area hotspots. Explore the Island’s varied habitats of shorelines, maple-beech hardwood forests, ephemeral wetlands and open fields. All levels of birders and hikers welcome. Short walks, multiple birding sites, walk-on boarding, and a comfortable ride! Bring sack lunch and drink. Cooler provided. Dress for weather. Trip fee includes minibus transportation and ferry fees. Easy walking. CENTRAL. Meet: Baileys Harbor Town Hall. Limit: 22

3. Birding by Ear for Beginners
   Friday, May 24, 8:00 – 11:00 am
   Leader: Jan Wrede
   Fee: $25
   For beginning birders! Want to expand your ability to find and identify birds? This is the “listen and then look” approach that everyone can use and enjoy. Jan is a longtime summer resident of Door County, environmental educator and author of “Attracting Birds in the Texas Hill Country: A Guide to Land Stewardship” Join her for a power point presentation filled with pictures and bird song plus limited outdoor birding time. Participants are encouraged to practice their new skills on one of the Saturday morning birding programs.
   NORTH/CENTRAL. Meet: The Cabins at The Ridges. Limit: 10

4. Lighthouse Bike Tour – NEW
   Friday, May 24, 8:00 – 11:30 am
   Leaders: Bill Wolff
   Fee: $25
   Celebrating their 150th anniversaries this year, The Baileys Harbor Range Lights and Cana Island Lighthouse will be on full display during this bike ride. This bike ride includes a beautiful ride down County Q and tours of both the Lighthouse and Range Lights. Bring your own bike and shoes that you don’t mind hiking in. Total biking distance is approximately 12 miles round-trip with stops and breaks along the way.
   CENTRAL. Meet: The Cabins at The Ridges. Limit: 12

5. Segway Ridges Road – NEW
   Friday, May 24, 9:00 am – 11:00 am
   Leader: Segway the Door Tours
   Fee: $50
   Guided Segway tour amongst the nature of Tolt Point and to the entrance of Tolt Nature Preserve. We will go down a gravel road where unique wildlife and vegetation have found their niche. A spy view of the Birdcage Lighthouse and great views of the water are also included in this glide. Instruction on Segway operation included.
   CENTRAL. Meet: Baileys Harbor Town Hall. Limit: 8

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6. **Fossil Hike**  
Friday, May 24, 9:00 – 11:30 am  
**Leader:** Dave Bultman  
**Fee:** $25

Hundreds of millions of years ago, Door County was covered by a shallow sea that was teeming with life. Evidence of these prehistoric creatures remain as fossils in the exposed rock beds. Join Dave Bultman, local fossil hunter and expert, as we identify various prehistoric critters and unearth local fossils. The program will start with a brief lecture and then we will carpool to Appel’s Bluff, just north of Baileys Harbor. Light hiking is involved and no digging is required!  
**CENTRAL. Meet:** Cook-Albert Fuller Nature Center  
**Limit:** 16

7. **Forest Mindfulness Immersion**  
Friday, May 24, 9:00 – 11:30 am  
**Leaders:** Sarah Evenson & Bob Bultman  
**Fee:** $25

Do you feel good when you are in the woods? Of course you do. Medical experts have confirmed several important mental and physical health benefits from being in the forest. Within the verdant forests of the Ridges Sanctuary, we will explore and experience these benefits beginning with an introduction to forest bathing and the Japanese practice called Shinrin Yoku, followed by a delicious forest mindfulness immersion, and ending with wild crafted teas fresh from the woods as we share our discoveries of and gratitudes for Nature’s abundant nurture. There will be gentle hiking and sitting on the forest floor. Barefoot or light comfortable footwear along with a journal is encouraged.  
**NORTH. Meet:** At The Ridges Cabins  
**Limit:** 12

8. **Peil Creek Headwaters Hike**  
Friday, May 24, 9:00 – 11:30 am  
**Leader:** Mike Grimm  
**Fee:** $25

Conservation Ecologist Mike Grimm will lead this hike in The Nature Conservancy’s Judy Albert Meissner preserve. He will discuss the ecology and hydrology of the alkaline headwater wetlands of Peil Creek, which flows south to Kangaroo Lake. Topics will include fish and wildlife habitat, Hine’s emerald dragonfly research, and wetland restoration. Bring binoculars, wear hiking boots, and dress for the weather. Moderate hiking, about one mile.  
**CENTRAL. Meet:** TNC Meissner Preserve, Fish Creek  
**Limit:** 15

9. **Shipwreck Paddle Tour**  
Friday, May 24, 9:00 – 11:00 am  
**Leader:** Lakeshore Adventures  
**Fee:** $25

A fully guided and narrated clear-bottom kayak tour through the shallow shipwreck filled waters of Baileys Harbor. With over a dozen wrecks in less than 15’ of water it’s sure to be an exciting and memorable trip for everyone. We will circumnavigate the small island with the historic Bird Cage Lighthouse and travel to the outer reef system and over several 1800’s shipwrecks. Join us and explore the rich maritime history above and below the water’s surface. Kayaks, paddles and the life jackets are provided. Please plan to arrive at least 15 minutes early to fitted for life jackets.  
**CENTRAL. Meet:** Lakeshore Adventures, Baileys Harbor  
**Limit:** 10 registered kayaks

10. **Ellison Bay Bluff Exploration**  
Friday, May 24, 9:00 – 11:30 am  
**Leader:** Coggin Heeringa  
**Fee:** $25

This county park is known for its spectacular scenery. The tour will start with geologic history, but once on the trails, the group will examine with a plethora of spring wildflowers to make this an unforgettable spring trip. Moderate hiking.  
**NORTH. Meet:** Ellison Bluff County Park, Ellison Bay  
**Limit:** 20

11. **Paddling the Forestville Mill Pond on the Ahnapee River**  
Friday, May 24, 9:00 – 11:30 am  
**Leader:** Brian Forest  
**Fee:** $25

The Forestville Millpond is a 94-acre impoundment that was created in 1877 when a portion of the Ahnapee River was dammed to accommodate a grist mill for the booming town of Forestville. Fed by a network of cedar-dominated wetlands and tributaries draining a diverse landscape, this resource has provided a rich history of prosperous industry and natural diversity but has shown evidence of impairment in recent years. Join Brian Forest, on a paddling trip up the Ahnapee River and learn about the cultural and natural history of the area, as well ongoing conservation efforts. Bring your camera and binoculars, as the area provides tremendous opportunities for viewing migrating waterfowl, raptors, songbirds, amphibians and a variety of aquatic life. An easy paddle, bring your own canoe/kayak, paddles and PFDs.  
**SOUTH. Meet:** Forestville Dam County Park  
**Limit:** 10 registered kayaks
12. Flower Form and Function – NEW
   Friday, May 24, 9:00 – 11:30 am
   Leader: Donna Danielson
   Fee: $25
   There is amazing diversity among flowers, but they generally share the same basic parts. Spend a morning studying flower anatomy and learn how flowers function. You will never look at flowers the same again. We will study at least three different plant families. This program is perfect for plant enthusiasts and artists alike. Level: No experience necessary.
   CENTRAL. Meet: Cook-Albert Fuller Nature Center. Limit: 16

13. Miller Conservation Easement
   Friday, May 24, 9:00 – 11:30 am
   Leaders: Ed & Sandy Miller
   Fee: $25
   Here’s an opportunity to visit a privately owned property not usually open to the public! The Miller property, a Door County Land Trust Conversation Easement contains a variety of habitats and landscapes including dense cedar swamp, wetlands, and fields with scattered shrubs and young trees. As you hike the property, you’ll learn about its history, the ecology of the North Bay/Mud Lake area, its inclusion as a Ramsar property in 2015, and the Miller’s sustainable lifestyle. The Millers will also discuss the operation of a photovoltaic system installed in 2009. The terrain is relatively flat and hiking is easy to moderate, but some areas may be wet and muddy. Waterproof footwear may be needed. CENTRAL. Meet: Miller Property, Baileys Harbor. Limit: 16

14. Clark Lake Pontoon Tour
   Friday, May 24, 10:00 – 11:30 am
   Leader: Lawrie Kull
   Fee: $25
   Clark Lake is the second largest lake in Door County and home to many diverse habitats for flora and fauna. Join us on a leisurely motor around the lake as we stop at key points and describe some of its natural and cultural history, threats to these habitats and the current and future conservation work aimed at protecting them. Many opportunities for viewing sensitive plants and bountiful waterfowl. Bring binoculars.
   SOUTH. Meet: Clark Lake Boat Launch, Jacksonport. Limit: 20

15. Lakeside Coastal Tour
   Friday, May 24, 10:00 – 12:00 am
   Leader: Shoreline Boat Tours
   Fee: $45
   Head out into the sparkling waters of Lake Michigan on the retired US Navy boat, the “Water Taxi”. The boat got its name from its years of residence in Chicago, ferrying passengers along the Chicago River. The crew of “Water Taxi” will navigate the rustic shoreline of Lake Michigan. Passengers will experience the unique landscape of the region teeming with rich history and view historic lighthouses that aided the Lake Michigan shipping industry.
   CENTRAL. Meet: Baileys Harbor Marina. Limit: 20

Friday, May 24 – Afternoon

16. Plum and Pilot Island Tour
   Friday, May 24, 12:15 – 4:30 pm
   Leader: Friends of Plum and Pilot Island
   Fee: $45
   Representatives of the Friends of Plum & Pilot Islands and the US Fish & Wildlife Service are your guides for this tour. Visit Plum Island and view the natural beauty of this part of the Green Bay National Wildlife Refuge. The hiking tour, along established trails, will focus on the natural and maritime history aspects of the island and its plant and animal communities, including a bald eagle nest site,
a small wetland complex, and a multitude of migratory birds. The hike will be about 1 mile in length. Transportation by boat (Shoreline Charters) from Gills Rock is included in cost of trip.

NORTH. Meet: Shoreline Charters, Gills Rock. Limit: 14

17. **Fossil Hike**
   - **Friday, May 24, 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm**
   - **Leader:** Dave Bultman
   - **Fee:** $25
   - **Repeat.** See #6 for Program Description
   - CENTRAL. Meet: Cook-Albert Fuller Nature Center. Limit: 16

18. **Brey Cycle Demo Farm Tour**
   - **Friday, May 24, 1:30 – 4:00 pm**
   - **Leaders:** Brey Cycle Farm & NRCS
   - **Fee:** $25
   - See where milk comes from and how sustainability is behind every decision on this fourth-generation family farm. Learn about modern dairy farming and how milk is sustainably produced, from the crops to the cows. Get up close with the animals as you learn about the life of a calf through becoming a member of the milking herd. We’ll also show you some of the land we use to grow crops to feed our animals and talk about the conservation practices used. Cycle Farm is part of the Door-Kewaunee Demonstration Farm network, testing various innovative practices to help increase organic matter, improve soil health and reduce soil erosion and nutrient loss.
   - SOUTH. Meet: Brey Cycle Farm LLC, Sturgeon Bay. Limit: 20

19. **Shipwreck Paddle Tour**
   - **Friday, May 24, 1:30 – 3:30 pm**
   - **Leader:** Lakeshore Adventures
   - **Fee:** $25
   - **Repeat.** See #9 for program description.

20. **Cozy up to Conifers**
   - **Friday, May 24, 1:30 – 4:00 pm**
   - **Leaders:** Jane Whitney & Julie Knox
   - **Fee:** $25
   - Do you have trouble telling one conifer from another? Here’s a chance to learn 11 (and maybe 12) different conifer trees. At the end of this session, you’ll be able to distinguish white from black spruce, hemlock from balsam, red from white pine, fir from spruce and more. We’ll start with a short overview of conifers before heading out to find and ID various conifer species on the trails of the Ridges Sanctuary. Bring a hand lens if you have one or use one of ours. Dress for the weather including footwear.
   - CENTRAL. Meet: The Cabins at The Ridges. Limit: 16

21. **Behind the Scenes at Open Door Bird Sanctuary**
   - **Friday, May 24, 1:30 – 3:30 pm**
   - **Leader:** Open Door Bird Sanctuary
   - **Fee:** $25
   - Take a look behind the scenes at Open Door Bird Sanctuary – the only facility of its kind in Door County! Besides the rare opportunity to see the ODBS raptors up close and personal in their sanctuary mews, this tour will also feature actual feeding of the raptors, a photo op with one of the sanctuary birds, and a guided trail hike highlighting the sanctuary’s various ecosystems. Be among the first visitors of 2019 to see two new resident raptors. ODBS is a nature center devoted to raptor and environmental education.
   - SOUTH. Meet: Open Door Bird Sanctuary, Jacksonport. Limit: 15

22. **Segway Cave Point – NEW**
   - **Friday, May 24, 1:30 – 3:30 pm**
   - **Leader:** Segway the Door
   - **Fee:** $50
   - Guided Segway Tour to Cave Point, Whitefish Dunes, and Clark Lake. This glide takes you to sink holes in Cave Point County Park, quiet Clark Lake and the sand dunes of Whitefish Dunes State Park. You will see trees grasping the edge of the cliffs, experience majestic overlooks, and hear the soothing sounds of the surf. You will be immersed in nature as you enjoy this area and its views. Instruction on Segway operation included.
   - SOUTH. Meet: Cave Point County Park, Jacksonport. Limit: 8

23. **Traditional Uses of Native Plants by Indigenous People – NEW**
   - **Friday, May 24, 1:30 – 4:00 pm**
   - **Leader:** Lee Olsen
   - **Fee:** $25
   - Ethnobotany (EB) of the Upper Midwest is the study of uses and views of plants by 12 native Indian tribes. Follow Lee Olsen who will reveal plants used for medicines, food, fiber, & dyes. See demos with Grandmother & Grandfather trees, fibers (for weaving), roots (for sewing canoes), & barks (for utensils & tobacco). See ash baskets & birch bark art. Plants on the trail will include Ottawa “Beaver’s ears” (also the Potawatomi tribal flower), Menominee “Deer’s Ear” (root for tattooing), Hocank “Dog’s medicine”, & Ojibwa roots to lure deer and revive persons.
   - CENTRAL. Meet: Cook-Albert Fuller Nature Center. Limit: 15
24. **Botany & Geology of The Clearing – NEW**  
Friday, May 24, 1:30 – 4:00 pm  
**Leaders:** Mike Schneider & Roger Kuhns  
**Fee:** $25  
Join the GEO-DC and The Clearing for an afternoon walk along the edge of the Niagara Escarpment on The Clearing property in Ellison Bay. Mike Schneider and Roger Kuhns will introduce you to the unique ecosystems on and above the Niagara Escarpment. All levels of naturalists are welcome, and the hike is along established Clearing trails. Explore the upland forests growing on ancient glacial lake shorelines, watch for the variety of birds, especially woodpeckers, that inhabit the property. Details of the botany of the property will be explored, including the amazing life and age of the Escarpment’s cedar forest. The story of the ancient seas, curious marine organisms, and the story of the formation of the land around The Clearing is featured.  
**NORTH. Meet:** The Clearing, Ellison Bay.  
**Limit:** 15

25. **Europe Lake Exploration**  
Friday, May 24, 1:30 – 4:00 pm  
**Leader:** Coggin Heeringa  
**Fee:** $25  
Take a hike through the dunes to Europe Lake and the rocky headlands of Newport State Park in search of wildflowers and birds. You'll also learn about the geology of this unique and fragile area. Some hills. Bring binoculars.  
**NORTH. Meet:** Hotz Memorial Town Park, Ellison Bay.  
**Limit:** 20

26. **Lautenbach Woods Nature Preserve – NEW**  
Friday, May 24, 1:30 – 4:00 pm  
**Leader:** Brian Forest  
**Fee:** $25  
The surface water is long gone from this Door County Land Trust preserve, but this beautiful area provides evidence of ancient glacial drainage paths for the Plum Bottom area south of Egg Harbor. Caves and enlarged rock crevices, coupled with springs that outlet below the escarpment, provide a good example of a classic sinkhole/spring complex. Descend the Niagara Escarpment and enjoy Door County’s seasonal wildflowers as well as intriguing discussion on glacial geology, karst features and challenges of protecting water quality in sensitive areas. Hiking boots are recommended, as we will face a stretch of moderately rocky terrain on the trip. Moderate hiking.  
**CENTRAL. Meet:** Lautenbach Woods Nature Preserve, Carlsville.  
**Limit:** 18

27. **Niagara Escarpment Underground – NEW**  
Friday, May 24, 1:30 – 4:00 pm  
**Leaders:** Bob Bultman & Erin Tauscher  
**Fee:** $25  
The Niagara Escarpment holds many mysteries above and below the surface. We’ll discuss the Escarpment’s importance as habitat for numerous specialized plants and animals, and then go underground to explore the entrance section of Horseshoe Bay Cave, the largest known natural hibernation site for bats in Wisconsin. While Horseshoe Bay Cave is the second longest mapped cave in the state of Wisconsin, it’s ceiling is generally low with limited places to stand. Hands and knees crawling required - prepare to get muddy! The cave remains humid and just below 50 F/10 C year-round.  
**CENTRAL. Meet:** Murphy Park, Egg Harbor.  
**Limit:** 12

28. **Clark Lake Pontoon Tour**  
Friday, May 24, 2:00 – 3:30 pm  
**Leader:** Lawrie Kull  
**Fee:** $25  
Repeat. See #14 for program description.  
**SOUTH. Meet:** Clark Lake Boat Launch, Jacksonport.  
**Limit:** 20

29. **Spring Voices of the Night**  
Friday, May 24, 8:00 – 10:30 pm  
**Leader:** Paul Regnier  
**Fee:** $35  
Travel on the Birdie Bus to select natural areas and roadside venues to capture the sounds of spring in the evening air. Dress for weather. Trip fee includes minibus transportation. Easy walking.  
**CENTRAL. Meet:** Baileys Harbor Town Hall.  
**Limit:** 22
Saturday, May 25 – Morning

30. Early Birds at Shivering Sands Preserve
   **Saturday, May 25, 6:00 - 8:00 am**
   **Leader:** Mike Grimm
   **Fee:** $25
   Catch the birds as they sing their morning chorus. This walk will emphasize migratory and resident birds that rely on the coastal forests of Door County. Easy hike - bring binoculars and wear good walking shoes.
   **SOUTH. Meet:** Shivering Sands Preserve Trailhead. **Limit:** 10

31. Baileys Harbor Bird City Tour
   **Saturday, May 25, 6:30 - 10:30 am**
   **Leader:** George Cobb
   **Fee:** $25
   An early morning walk exploring The Ridges Sanctuary, Cana Island area, Bues Point, Bedrock Beach and North Bay. Expect to see Warblers, Shorebirds and Waterfowl in this scenic trip along the shoreline of several State Natural Areas. Beginners welcomed.
   **CENTRAL. Meet:** Baileys Harbor Town Hall. **Limit:** 12

32. The Birdy Bus
   **Saturday, May 25, 6:30 - 11:30 am**
   **Leader:** Paul Regnier
   **Fee:** $45
   Leave the driving to us, and ride in comfort on a minibus for birders! We’ll visit birding hotspots like Lake Michigan’s beautiful shorelines, hardwood forests, open fields, and wetlands teeming with waterfowl. Themes for this tour include birding by habitats and bird song identification. All levels of birders welcome, short walks, multiple birding sites, walk-on boarding, and a comfortable ride! Trip fee includes transportation, birding guides, instruction, and use of spotting scopes. Easy walking.
   **SOUTH. Meet:** Baileys Harbor Town Hall. **Limit:** 22

33. Mud Lake Paddle
   **Saturday, May 25, 8:00 - 10:00 am**
   **Leader:** Bay Shore Outfitters
   **Fee:** $25
   Riebolts Creek is the outlet for Mud Lake and flows nearly two miles as it meanders its way to Lake Michigan. Rich aquatic diversity abounds and will be on display on this great opportunity for paddlers to experience one of Door County’s gems nestled within the Mud Lake State Natural Area. We will enjoy a relaxing paddle up the creek and into Mud Lake. You’ll glide through diverse beds of aquatic plants, including bur-reed, coontail and wild rice and maybe catch a glimpse of the trout that use this stream as a spawning run. Bring your binoculars, this site is excellent for viewing migrating waterfowl and songbirds, alike. Easy paddle, bring your own canoe/kayak, paddles and PFDs. **CENTRAL Meet:** at Riebolts Creek crossing on County Q. **Limit:** 10 registered kayaks.

34. Intro to the Breeding Bird Atlas at Logan Creek SNA
   **Saturday, May 25, 8:00 - 10:30 am**
   **Leader:** Tom Prestby
   **Fee:** $25
   Join birding expert and Wisconsin Breeding Bird Atlas II training coordinator Tom Prestby for a hike at one of Door County’s gems, Logan Creek State Natural Area. Tom will lead a birding hike for participants of all experience levels as the group looks for spring migrants as well as species that have begun breeding. Tom will teach those interested how to participate in one of the biggest citizen-monitoring projects in the state’s history, the Wisconsin Breeding Bird Atlas II. We will walk on maintained trails and roadside on level terrain.
   **NORTH. Meet:** Logan Creek Trailhead, Jacksonport. **Limit:** 16

35. Waseda Farms Exploratory Wagon Ride
   **Saturday, May 25, 9:00 - 10:30 am**
   **Leader:** Jeff Lutsey
   **Fee:** $25
   Explore the historic organic farm on an exploratory tractor & wagon ride. Formerly farmed by the catholic Priests of the Sacred Heart, Waseda Farms is home to cattle grazing on more than 500 acres of beautiful perennial grass pastures in Baileys Harbor. The Certified Organic farm raises cattle, pigs and chickens and grows fruits, vegetables and herbs in their 2 acre garden. Waseda Farms was the first in Wisconsin to implement a cattle handling system developed by world renowned animal behavior expert Temple Grandin. Through improved farming practices that are better for people, animals, and the earth, Waseda Farms works to inspire better eating and better living.
   **CENTRAL. Meet:** Waseda Farms, Baileys Harbor. **Limit:** 20
36. **Nature Play at The Ridges – NEW**  
   Saturday, May 25, 9:00 - 11:30 am  
   **Leader:** Sheryl Honig  
   **Fee:** $25; under 12 free.  
   Is it time to be out in nature yet? At The Ridges, it’s ALWAYS time to be out in nature. And right now, birds are singing, balsam poplars are fragrant, the swales are glowing with marsh marigolds, and pine trees are wearing pollen cones!!!! This family-friendly event, geared towards kids under 12, includes an hour-long child-friendly hike through the Ridges, followed by light snack, and guided nature activities designed with children in mind.  
   **CENTRAL. Meet:** Cook-Albert Fuller Nature Center. **Limit:** 16

37. **Mushroom Hunting**  
   Saturday, May 25, 9:00 - 11:30 am  
   **Leader:** Shannon Pump  
   **Fee:** $25  
   Spring is a great time to get your hunting gear on and search for mushrooms. Come learn tips and tricks for finding mushrooms in the forest from a master mushroom hunter. You will learn collection practices, preparation techniques, and proper storage techniques. Mesh bags will be provided for hunting on site. Moderate hiking.  
   **CENTRAL. Meet:** Cook-Albert Fuller Nature Center. **Limit:** 20

38. **Explore Solitude Natural Area – NEW**  
   Saturday, May 25, 9:00 - 11:30 am  
   **Leaders:** Ed & Sandy Miller  
   **Fee:** $25  
   The Door County Land Trust’s Solitude Natural Area is part of an important ecological corridor that provides habitat for a host of migratory and nesting birds, amphibians and waterfowl. Solitude is graced with beautiful hardwood forests, vernal ponds, sand dunes and old successional fields. We’ll focus on geology, natural history and a bit of mystery. Participants may wish to bring binoculars, a hot and water bottle. Moderate hiking.  
   **CENTRAL. Meet:** Baileys Harbor Town Hill. **Limit:** 16

39. **Kayak Nature, Discovery Tour of North Bay – NEW**  
   Saturday, May 25, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm  
   **Leader:** Terry Cooper  
   **Fee:** $25  
   With thousands of acres protected by the Door County Land Trust and The Nature Conservancy, North Bay State Natural Area is one of Door County’s ecological gems. Paddle along with us and we’ll explore it all from the water! Along the way we’ll visit the mouth of Three Springs creek where it empties into North Bay and land to take a short hike into the towering White Pines and sea caves of the Door County Land Trust’s Walt’s Woods Natural Area. North Bay’s stretch of largely undeveloped Lake Michigan shoreline is home a host of bird species including; bald eagles, osprey, goldeneye ducks, sandhill cranes and Caspian Terns and its streams and bay are critical spawning areas northern pike, white suckers and whitefish. All participants must provide their own kayak with a spray skirt and have previous open water kayaking experience, in small 1 foot waves and light winds, you can rent kayaks from Bayshore Outdoor Store in Sister Bay.  
   **CENTRAL. Meet:** North Bay Public Boat Launch, Gills Rock. **Limit:** 10 registered kayaks.
40. Behind the Scenes at Open Door Bird Sanctuary
Saturday, May 25, 9:30 - 11:30 am
Leaders: Open Door Bird Sanctuary
Fee: $25
Repeat. See #21 for program description.
SOUTH. Meet: Open Door Bird Sanctuary, Jacksonport. Limit: 15

41. Explore The Ridges Sanctuary
Saturday, May 25, 10:00 - 11:30 am
Leader: Steve Leonard
Fee: $25
Steve Leonard, Ridges Executive Director, will lead a hike along the Ridges accessible boardwalk for those individuals who have not traditionally been able to access and enjoy the sanctuary. Using universally designed interpretive experiences, participants with limitations in mobility, vision or hearing will be able to learn about The Ridges cultural and natural history. Sensory-rich activities will highlight local geology, Ridges flora and fauna, and our research initiatives.
CENTRAL. Meet: Cook-Albert Fuller Nature Center. Limit: 16

42. Lakeside Coastal Tour
Saturday, May 25, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Leaders: Shoreline Boat Tours
Fee: $45
Repeat. See #15 for program description.
CENTRAL. Meet: Baileys Harbor Marina. Limit: 20

Saturday, May 25 – Afternoon

43. Plum & Pilot Islands Tour
Saturday, May 25, 12:15 - 4:30 pm
Leaders: Friends of Plum and Pilot Island
Fee: $45
Repeat. See #16 for program description.
NORTH. Meet: Shoreline Charters, Gills Rock. Limit: 14

44. Behind the Scenes at Open Door Bird Sanctuary
Saturday, May 25, 1:30 - 3:30 pm
Leaders: Open Door Bird Sanctuary
Fee: $25
Repeat. See #21 for program description.
CENTRAL. Meet: Open Door Bird Sanctuary. Limit: 15

45. Stories of a Prehistoric Settlement
Saturday, May 25, 1:30 - 4:00 pm
Leader: Jordan Karsten
Fee: $25
Jordan Karsten, biological anthropologist from UW-Oshkosh, will be leading a hike at Whitefish Dunes State Park to discuss prehistoric settlement in Door County. Attendees will learn about Native American settlement and daily life while hiking along the reconstructed wigwams at the park.
CENTRAL. Meet: Cave Point County Park, Jacksonport. Limit: 16

46. Bushwhacking Adventure
Saturday, May 25, 1:30 - 4:00 pm
Leader: Jane Whitney & Julie Knox
Fee: $25
Join us as we hike off trail for a STRENUEOUS bushwhacking adventure. Expect to climb over and crawl under logs, wade in water (could be knee-deep or more), and push through underbrush. Expect to get wet, dirty, and buggy. No whining!! Good endurance, knees, and balance are required. Location will be determined depending on conditions.
CENTRAL. Meet: Baileys Harbor Town Hall. Limit: 12

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47. Explore the Mink River Estuary  
Saturday, May 25, 1:30 - 4:00 pm  
Leaders: Coggin Heeringa  
Fee: $25  
This gentle trail travels through a series of habitats, offering a variety of wildflowers and birds. The destination is the Mink River, an productive estuary often good for birding.  
NORTH. Meet: Schoenbrunn Trailhead, Ellison Bay. Limit: 20

48. Ramsar Wetlands of the Door Peninsula – NEW  
Saturday, May 25, 1:30 - 4:00 pm  
Leader: Tracy Hames  
Fee: $25  
Join us in exploring areas designated as Wetlands of International Importance by the Ramsar Convention of Wetlands. We will visit wetlands in Moonlight Bay, Bailey’s Harbor Boreal Forest, and North Bay. You’ll learn about the beauty and diversity of the wetlands of the Door Peninsula and why their protection and care is vital to the health of our water, wildlife, and communities.  
CENTRAL. Meet: Baileys Harbor Town Hall. Limit: 20

49. The Colors of Nature – NEW  
Saturday, May 25, 1:30 - 4:00 pm  
Leader: Dan Meinhardt  
Fee: $25  
Ever wonder why forests are so green? Or why butterfly wings shimmer? For this trip we’ll start by reviewing some of the basic biology and physics of color production and vision, then head out to look for examples of the startling array of colors in nature.  
CENTRAL. Meet: Cabins at the Ridges Sanctuary. Limit: 15

50. Niagara Escarpment Geology-Ecology Tour – NEW  
Saturday, May 25, 1:30 - 4:00 pm  
Leaders: Paul Regnier & Roger Kuhns  
Fee: $45  
Join Geologist Roger Kuhns and Professional Naturalist Paul Regnier on a minibus tour celebrating the Niagara Escarpment. Highlights include stops and short hikes. We’ll explore the linkages between the ecosystems of today with those ancient ecosystems that were present as the Niagara Escarpment formed. We’ll look for fossil indicators of life and climate in the rocks and put them in context of the natural history of today. We’ll also discuss sustainable practices that can be applied to protect the Escarpment. Comfortable and sturdy footwear recommended. Tour fee includes transportation. Easy hiking.  
CENTRAL. Meet: Baileys Harbor Town Hall. Limit: 22

51. Terrestrial Invertebrates of Door County – NEW  
Saturday, May 25, 1:30 - 4:00 pm  
Leader: Mike Draney  
Fee: $25  
UW-Green Bay entomologist Mike Draney discusses the importance of rapid assessment protocols in conserving terrestrial arthropods, the most diverse group of multicellular organisms. Together, the group will go through the sampling protocols that Draney and colleagues have developed and used in temperate and tropical habitats around the world, and we will see some rarely observed and collected Door County animals.  
CENTRAL. Meet: Family Discovery Trail at The Ridges. Limit: 16

52. Explore Toft Point  
Saturday, May 25, 1:30 - 4:00 pm  
Leader: Charlotte Lukes  
Fee: $25  
Over two miles of rocky Lake Michigan shoreline, 440 species of vascular plants, and 17 species of nesting warblers – these are only some of the features that make Toft Point one of Wisconsin’s most outstanding natural areas. Plant communities found here include boreal and mesic forests, sedge meadow, and tamarack swamp. This area is also known for its diversity on non-flowering plants such as mosses and ferns. Moderate hiking, possibly with some wet spots.  
CENTRAL. Meet: Baileys Harbor Town Hall. Limit: 16

53. Native Landscaping for Wildlife Habitat – NEW  
Saturday, May 25, 1:30 - 4:00 pm  
Leader: Jim Weikel  
Fee: $25  
Walk with veteran horticulturists/naturalists on an evolving homestead property that is ideal for illustrating the concepts, design elements and structural components needed to create diverse and functional wildlife habitat around your home. This large tract of private, improved property is naturalized, diverse in habitat and an ideal "laboratory" for illustrating the process and components required to attract, maintain and observe wild nature.  
SOUTH. Meet: Meadowland Property, Baileys Harbor. Limit: 20

54. Daytime Solar Observation – NEW  
Saturday, May 25, 1:30 - 3:30 pm  
Leaders: UW-Madison Astronomy Team  
Fee: $25  
Let’s stare at the sun! Using the proper safety equipment, the UW-Madison Astronomy Team will lead the group in viewing the surface of the sun in search of sun spots, solar flares, and prominence eruptions. Who said star gazing was only for nighttime?  
CENTRAL. Meet: Baileys Harbor Town Hall. Limit: 20
56. **Journey into the Dark Sky – NEW**  
**Saturday, May 26, 8:00 - 10:30 pm**  
**Leaders:** Beth Bartoli and UW-Madison Astronomy Team  
**Fee:** $25

Have you ever seen the milky way? Here is your chance. Join Eric Wilcots, Professor of Astronomy at UW-Madison, and Beth Bartoli, Naturalist at Newport State Park for an evening dedicated to the dark sky and star gazing. Newport State Park was designated as a Dark Sky Park in 2017, by the International Dark-Sky Association. Every day, Newport advocates for the protection of the night sky and empowers the public with the tools and resources to help bring back the night.  
**NORTH. Meet:** Newport State Park. **Limit:** 35

60. **Wetlands of the Bayshore Blufflands – NEW**  
**Sunday, May 26, 9:00 - 11:30 am**  
**Leader:** Tracy Hames  
**Fee:** $25

On this tour we’ll learn about some of the diverse wetlands of the Door Peninsula and how private landowners can come together to protect and restore these incredible resources. We’ll visit sites above and below the escarpment and discuss karst geology, how water moves through a karst landscape, and what effect it has on wetland ecology. We’ll witness the incredible results of wetland restoration and care, and maybe even pick up a tip or two about how we can care for the wetlands in our communities.  
**CENTRAL. Meet:** Baileys Harbor Town Hall. **Limit:** 20

61. **Geology and Natural History of The Ridges Sanctuary**  
**Sunday, May 26, 9:00 - 11:30 am**  
**Leader:** Roger Kuhns  
**Fee:** $25

Join Dr. Roger Kuhns, geologist, on a morning walk the unique habitats and geology of the Ridges Sanctuary. Explore the unique ecosystems formed as a result of a dynamic geologic story of ancient seas, tectonics, ice ages, and the birth of the Great Lakes. All levels of naturalists are welcome, and the walking is along established boardwalks and sandy trails.  
**CENTRAL. Meet:** Baileys Harbor Town Hall. **Limit:** 22

62. **Rambling on the Fen’s Edge**  
**Sunday, May 26, 9:30 - 11:30 am**  
**Leaders:** Carol and Pete Schuster  
**Fee:** $25

Explore a part of Door County that is truly ‘off the beaten path’. At this Door County Land Trust property we’ll see Royal ferns, Labrador Tea, LOTS of lycopodium, and Wood sorrel, etc. In order to protect the larvae of the federally endangered Hine’s Emerald dragonfly that live here, we won’t venture out on the Kellner fen mat, but we will hike to the edge of this fascinating piece of nature. This is an adventure hike – no trails. Plan to get wet to your ankles. (Bring extra dry socks for later.) We’ll explore various aspects of wetlands (swales/poor fens) and ridges. A unique habitat with lots of interesting plants and even eagles! Not for the faint of heart. Moderate to difficult hiking.  
**SOUTH. Meet:** 2912 Lake Forest Park Rd. **Limit:** 10

63. **Clark Lake Bike Tour**  
**Sunday, May 26, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm**  
**Leader:** Matt Peter  
**Fee:** $25

Come explore Door County’s second largest lake while biking around its beautiful surroundings. Start at Logan Creek to view a brilliant display of spring wildflowers, learn about the geological features of Clark Lark and explore the limestone cliffs of Cave Point. Bring your own bike and shoes that you don’t mind hiking in. Total biking distance is approximately 10 miles with stops and breaks along the way.  
**SOUTH. Meet:** Logan Creek Trail Head, 5724 Loritz Rd. **Limit:** 12

64. **Lakeside Coastal Tour**  
**Sunday, May 26, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm**  
**Leader:** Shoreline Boat Tours  
**Fee:** $45

Repeat. See #15 for program description.  
**CENTRAL. Meet:** Baileys Harbor Marina, 8132 Hwy 57. **Limit:** 20
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John Burroughs