

Current Happenings

April 13, 2022

Native Plant Sale

Our Native Plant Sale online store opens **Wednesday, April 20 at 9:00 am!** Once the store is live, make sure to sign up for a time to pick up your plants at checkout. Plant order pick-up will be at the Wise Nature Center on **Friday, May 6** and **Saturday, May 7**.

Plants sell out fast, so we recommend preparing your list ahead of time and making sure you are signed into your member account to receive your discount. Check out this year's list of native plants [HERE](#).

We will be selling some plants in-person on May 6 & 7 during order pick-up, but if you're looking to buy specific plants, we recommend purchasing them online. We can not guarantee there will be enough plants leftover for the in-person sale. Most will be sold online.

BCR members will receive a 10% discount if they're signed in to their member account. Aren't a member? [Become one today!](#) Don't have your account set up? [Create one now!](#)



[Learn More](#)

Upcoming Programs & Events

Auroras

Date: Saturday, April 16

Time: 8:00 pm

Cost: FREE

Location: Hobbs Observatory



Join Chippewa Valley Astronomical Society members for this 45-60 min presentation at Hobbs Observatory. This month's topic: Auroras. This program is appropriate for all ages. Observing follows the program if skies are clear. **No Registration Necessary.**

Sustainable Living for Dummies

Date: Monday, April 18

Time: 1:00-2:00 pm

Cost: FREE

**This is a virtual program.*



Ever wonder what ways you can help the earth and live more sustainably around the house... but have no idea where to begin?

Earth Week Challenge- April 16-24



Team up and go green! Sign up for this year's Earth Week Challenge. Learn how to be more sustainable, all while earning points to win sweet prizes! **Registration is NOW OPEN!**

1. Choose a team
2. Complete tasks for points
3. Win prizes (up to \$100 in gift cards!)

Once tasks are completed, groups will be entered into drawings for fun, local prizes!

[Learn more.](#)

See this year's prizes [HERE!](#)

Challenge tasks will be released this **Friday, April 15**. Stay updated on our website for more information!

This beginner's online program for sustainable living will go through the ins and outs of switching to a more eco-friendly lifestyle. We will dive into various small scale changes around the house to large scale lifestyle changes such as homesteading. A program link will be sent to the registrant's email address prior to the start of the program. **Register by Sunday, April 17. [Register now!](#)**

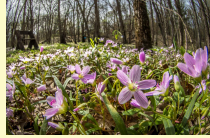
Adult Phenology Hike

Date: Wednesday, April 20

Time: 9:30-11:00 am

Cost: Friends- Free,
Nonmembers- \$5

Location: Wise Nature Center



Join Naturalist Jim Schwiebert for a hike to document the seasonal changes and flowers blooming along the Reserve's trails. The hikes will last an hour to an hour and a half. **This program is geared for adults 50 and older.** Hikers should expect about a mile long hike with uneven terrain and stairs to negotiate. Come join the fun! **Register by Tuesday, April 19. [Register now!](#)**

Invaders in 15: Eurasian Water Milfoil

Date: Wednesday, April 20

Time: 10:00-10:15 am

Cost: FREE

**This is a virtual program.*



Join us for this flash webinar series on invasive species! The Invaders in 15 webinars will spotlight one local invasive species in a flash presentation that includes the history, biology, and ecological impact of the featured species. **Register by Tuesday, April 19. [Register now!](#)**

Scales to Feathers: A Captivating Evolutionary Story

Date: Friday, April 22

Time: 9:00 am

Cost: FREE

**This is a virtual program.*



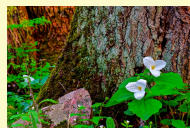
A part of the "Feather Friday" series, come learn all about the latest theories about how feathers went from scales on the dinosaurs to their current state today. **Register by Wednesday, April 20. [Register now!](#)**

Spring Thrift Sale

Date: Saturday, April 23

Time: 8:30-1:00 pm

Location: Wise Nature Center



National Volunteer Week- April 17-23

This next week is National Volunteer Week! We are so thankful for our volunteers here at Beaver Creek Reserve. Whether it's working in our Butterfly House, checking in visitors at the Nature Center, maintaining our trails & gardens, helping with special events, etc. we couldn't do what we do without YOU! Thank you for keeping Beaver Creek Reserve a place we all love and enjoy.



We Need Seed!

We're looking for donations of black oil sunflower seeds & suet for our bird feeders! This helps keep the feeders full for our birds, bird banding research, and visitors' enjoyment. Donations can be dropped off at the Wise Nature Center during our open hours. Our birds thank you!



Intern Housing Donations

We are looking for donations for our new intern housing, the Eagle's Roost! See below for what we are still in need of-

- 2 Bedside Lamps
- 2 Dressers
- Pizza Cutter
- Electric Tea Kettle
- Floor Rugs

Support our bird banders and education department while shopping this nature-themed thrift sale! Shop new or gently used items! All items are nature-themed. You may find jewelry, decorations, books, recreation equipment, artwork, clothing, and more! **No registration required.**

Pollinator Run/Walk

Date: Saturday, April 23

Time: 2:00 pm

Cost: Friends- \$10,

Nonmembers- \$15

Location: Wise Nature Center



Come walk our trails as we highlight the importance of pollinators and understand the positive effects they have on our environment. Participants will plant & spread native plant seeds around the Reserve as a way to increase diversity and pollinator habitats at Beaver Creek. This is not a competitive run, more so a great way to get outside and help our insect friends!

[Register now!](#)

Restorative Yoga Flow

Date: Sunday, April 24

Time: 3:00-4:00 PM

Cost: \$10 per person

Location: Wise Nature Center



Restorative Flow Yoga is a gentle, slow, still style of yoga that involves long, passive holds in a series of 4-6 restful poses. This type of meditative yoga class is the ideal complement to any intense activity, and a great recovery tool for those overcoming illness or injury. All levels are welcome to join. **Registration by Friday, April 22. [Register now!](#)**

2022 Program Calendar

- Bowls
- Vacuum
- Blender
- Cookware (pots & frying pans)
- Ice Cube Trays
- Toaster
- Mixer
- Trivet

Donations can be dropped off at the Wise Nature Center during our open hours. No need to call ahead.

Volunteer Opportunity

Caterpillar Lab Training

Tuesday, June 7 at 6:30 pm

Help take care of our monarch caterpillars by replenishing milkweed, sanitizing enclosures, and recording the number of eggs & caterpillars we have in the lab.

Butterfly House Guide Training

Tuesday, June 28 at 6:30 pm

Guide visitors around the Butterfly House, and answer questions about native plants & butterflies!

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- Assist with sale purchases
- Organize items
- Setting up and taking down

Contact our Outreach & Development Coordinator, [Kristen](#), for more information or to sign up. Please let us know if you plan on attending the Butterfly House or Lab trainings!



Membership Update

Members get sweet discounts on our special events, programs, and store purchases (like our plant sale)! **Make sure you are signed into your member account to receive your discount on registrations.** Our Native Plant Sale online store opens on **Wednesday, April 20**. Members should try to log in to their account before then to ensure you can access your member account. Please contact [Beaver Creek Reserve](#) before April 20 if you need help logging into your account.

Renew your membership now to continue your membership benefits!

Our most popular member benefits:

- Free daily admission on 9 miles of hiking trails
- Reduced fees for programs and camps
- Free and reduced rates for equipment rentals (like cross-country skis & snowshoes)
- 10% discount in the Nature Store
- Keep up to date with our Current Happenings biweekly email
- ANCA reciprocal membership



[Learn More](#)

In Your Backyard



Give Back to Our Planet This Earth Day!

Unsure of what to do this Earth Day? Beaver Creek Reserve has got you covered with many springtime activities coming up including our annual Earth Week Challenge. The Earth Week Challenge is completely FREE to register and runs from April...

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