



Outdoors

OTTAWA COUNTY PARKS

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER | SPRING 2022

Special events

Art for Parks

April 16, 5 pm | Hemlock Crossing

Visit the Nature Center to view art by regional artists! Works by painters, photographers, fiber artists, glass artists, ceramicists, jewelry makers, and more will be on display and available for purchase.

- Cash bar • live music by Bri Baron
- \$10 suggested donation at the door
- 10% of art sales benefit the Ottawa County Parks Foundation



news.miottawa.org/art-2022

Ottawa Sands BioBlitz

May 13 | Ottawa Sands

Join us to find and identify as many species as possible at Ottawa Sands! More info on page 4.

news.miottawa.org/bioblitz-os



Signs of Spring

Spring has arrived! Share your favorite spring moments with us on Facebook or Instagram! Thanks to Scott Schmidt for this fun Sandhill crane photo.



Contact us: ocparks@miOttawa.org
Nature Center: 616-786-4847



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We are hiring

Apply online: miottawa.org/apply

We are currently searching for candidates interested in working outside this summer. Joining our team is a great way for college students, retirees, graduating high school students and others who enjoy working outdoors to learn from industry experts and gain valuable work experience.

After conducting a wage survey this year, the Ottawa County Board of Commissioners supported an increase of starting hourly rates for many of these positions.

Open positions include:

- Grounds Attendant - \$13.00/hour
- Maintenance Crew Worker - \$14.50/hour
- Park Attendant - \$12.50/hour
- Parks Custodian - \$13.00/hour
- Reservation Specialist - \$12.75/hour
- Outdoor Educator - \$13.50/hour

It's time to Step it Up!

Step it Up! is a free, 8-week program designed to help you get active and visit new parks. Walks begin on April 11.

Sign up today: miOttawa.org/stepitup



GROUP WALKS

Weekly, guided group walks
Variety of location & times
No registration required



ADVENTURES

Guided adventures like kayaking and orienteering
Beginner friendly - families welcome



GOAL SETTING

Easy-to-use activity tracking online
Set goals & see your progress
Report weekly for a chance to win prizes

Look for these symbols for opportunities to Get to know your Greenways!



The Idema Explorers Trail connects parks along the Grand River Greenway.



The Macatawa River Greenway connects parks along the Macatawa River.

News & Updates

Motor Vehicle Permits

Lake Michigan Coastal Greenway

In an effort to shorten time spent waiting in line, as well as in response to a shortage of seasonal staff, the Parks & Recreation Commission will be implementing pay stations at all of the lakeshore parks and the Riverside Park boat launch over the next two years.

- Pay stations will be available this season (2022) at North Beach Park, Rosy Mound Natural Area, Olive Shores, and Riverside Park.
- Next season (2023), fee stations will also be implemented at Tunnel Park and Kirk Park.

Important changes:

- **Cash will no longer be accepted at parks with fee stations.**
- **Annual permits will not be available for purchase at the pay stations.**
- **Staff will be available at North Beach Park on the following days and times throughout the summer to process annual permit sales:**
 - *Wednesday-Thursday, 1-3 pm*
 - *Friday-Sunday, 12-4 pm*

Where can I purchase an annual permit?

1. Purchase your permit online through May 13, 2022 at miottawa.org/parks
2. Purchase your permit at one of the following locations:
 - **Kirk Park:** 9791 Lake Shore Dr, West Olive, MI 49460
 - **Tunnel Park:** 66 N, Lakeshore Ave, Holland, MI 49424
 - **Ottawa County Parks Nature Center** (T-Sat, 9 am-5 pm; Sun, 12-5 pm): 8115 West Olive Road, West Olive, MI 49460
 - **Ottawa County Fillmore Complex** (M-F, 8 am-5 pm): 12220 Fillmore Street, West Olive, MI 49460
 - **Ottawa County Treasurer's Office** (M-F, 8 am-5 pm): 414 Washington Ave, 1st Floor, Grand Haven, MI 49417



Motor Vehicle Fees & Boat Launch Fees

Ottawa County Parks collects parking fees from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day at the following parks:

Olive Shores	North Beach Park
Tunnel Park	Rosy Mound Natural Area
Kirk Park	Riverside Park (<i>boat launch only</i>)

Daily Motor Vehicle Fee	\$8 per vehicle
Annual Sticker	\$25 per vehicle

- Discounted to \$15 per vehicle for Ottawa County residents
- Discounted to \$9 per vehicle for Ottawa County resident seniors age 60+

Annual Hang Tag	\$20 transferrable
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- Available to Ottawa County residents only
- Discounted to \$12 for Ottawa County resident seniors age 60+

Other Discounted Permits

Residents of Michigan who hold a Bridge Card are eligible to receive one free annual motor vehicle permit per household. Bridge Card fee waivers must be completed in-person at the Nature Center or Treasurer's Office. Cardholder must present both their Bridge Card and ID.

Did you know...

If you purchase a daily permit, you can trade it in for an annual permit at one of the locations on the left! You will be required to pay the difference.

Under Construction



Grand River Greenway

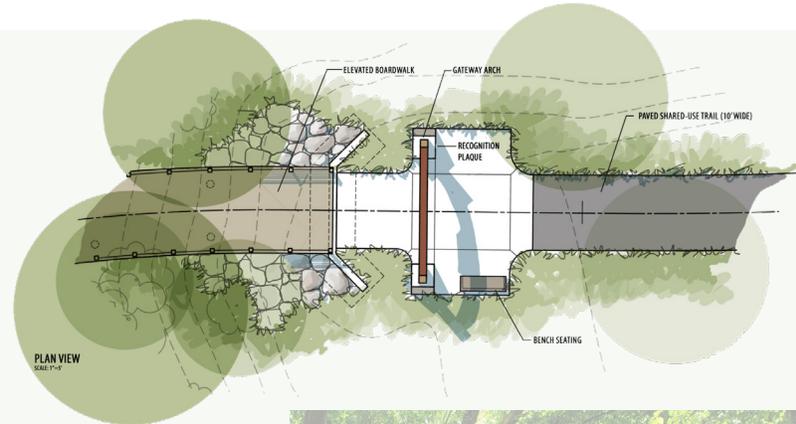
Significant progress on the Idema Explorers Trail is planned for this year that includes important connections in the Jenison area. One will connect Ottawa County trails to Kent County trails and honor the late Peter Secchia. The second will connect Grand River Park to Grand Ravines! For more detailed information about the trail, visit: news.miottawa.org/idema-explorers-trail

"Peter believed in making these connections to communities and opening access to our parks. I look forward to completing this section of trail and the arch. The arch represents things that meant a lot to Peter – connecting Grand Rapids closer to its neighbors, connecting people to Millennium Park, connecting people to nature and the outdoors."

Al Vanderberg, Kent County Administrator and member of the Grand River Greenway Campaign committee



Trail construction on the Jenison Mill segment



Art Exploration

The Ottawa County Parks & Hope College Humanities team continue to explore the intersection of art and parks through Community Conversations.

These focus groups are conducted in the Holland-area and are composed of a more diverse audience than you may typically see at a park. We continue to strive to make our outdoor spaces welcoming to all.

Thank you to our Community Conversation partners!

- Grand Rapids Community College - Lakeshore
- I Am Academy
- Cultureworks



ART IN THE PARKS
A COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
HOPE COLLEGE AND OTTAWA COUNTY PARKS



Watch an interview with Don Williams online:
news.miottawa.org/volunteer-dw



Volunteer Recognition

It is our honor to formally thank and recognize the extraordinary impact of one of our long-time volunteers and former Friends of Ottawa County Parks Board Member, Don Williams. He has volunteered over 2,000 hours (and counting), a milestone that only a few have achieved.

A resolution was passed by the Ottawa County Parks and Recreation Commission on March 2 to recognize and appreciate the innumerable contributions of Don Williams to the enhancement of Ottawa County Parks and Recreation.

Feeling inspired? Join us in caring for our public backyard during one of our upcoming Spring Volunteer Workdays! You can find the schedule on page 4.

Please also consider becoming a member of Friends! The Friends of Ottawa County Parks is a 501(c)3 organization that assists Ottawa County Parks with many different stewardship and nature education activities. Friends offers annual memberships on a calendar-year basis. Learn more: friendsofocp.org

Commemorative Park Benches

Are you looking for a special way to commemorate a milestone?

- A tribute in memory of a loved one
- A distinctive recognition of an individual or family
- An honor for making an achievement or special event
- Anniversary, birthday, retirement or any special occasion

Benches include a plaque with wording of your choice. The cost to sponsor a bench is \$2,500.

Your gift today will allow our beautiful park system to remain a place of refuge and recreation for everyone in your local community.

Learn more about this program:
ottawacountyparksfoundation.org



Thanks to your help we could have a little funeral of our own for our friend who had to miss his father's funeral. I just wanted to share how special that was to all of us.
-Anonymous

Education & Outreach

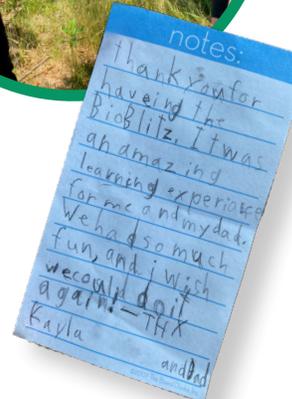
Ottawa Sands BioBlitz

Lake Michigan Greenway + Grand River Greenway

Join us for a BioBlitz at Ottawa Sands on May 13! This event will bring local scientists and conservation organizations together to work with community members to build an awareness of the biodiversity at Ottawa Sands while collecting monitoring data.

Last year we hosted our first-ever BioBlitz event at Riverside Park. Beginning before the crack of dawn, scientists and the public scoured the park to document as many species as possible in one day. Over 330 species of fish, turtles, macroinvertebrates, plants, frogs, fungus, mussels, birds, and mammals were reported by over 100 participants. The BioBlitz was made possible thanks to the support of a dozen partner organizations.

For more information about the programs and activities that we'll offer throughout the day, visit: news.miottawa.org/bioblitz-os



What's a BioBlitz?

A BioBlitz is an event that focuses on finding and identifying as many species as possible in a specific area over a short period of time.

At a BioBlitz, scientists, families, students, teachers, and other community members work together to get a snapshot of an area's biodiversity.

Stewardship Workdays

Here's what you should know about workdays:

- Registration is not required (unless otherwise noted)
- Bring work gloves (preferably leather), insect repellent, and appropriate attire for the outdoors.
- All tools, drinking water, and snacks will be provided.
- All ages welcome; 16 and under must be with an adult.
- Workdays are cancelled for rain/snow.

Questions? Contact us: (616) 994-4748

Beach Cleanup	Apr 2	10 am-12 pm	North Beach Park
Beach Cleanup	Apr 2	1-3 pm	Rosy Mound Natural Area
Beach Cleanup	Apr 16	10 am-12 pm	Olive Shores
Beach Cleanup	Apr 16	1-3 pm	Kirk Park
Sag Cleanup* <i>Registration required</i>	Apr 23	1-4 pm	Ottawa Sands
Beach Cleanup	Apr 30	10 am-12 pm	Tunnel Park
Beach Cleanup	Apr 30	1-3 pm	Historic Ottawa Beach Parks
Garlic Mustard Pull	May 7	9-11 am	Tunnel Park
Garlic Mustard Pull	May 7	12:30-2:30 pm	Pigeon Creek Park
Pigeon River Cleanup	May 14	1-3 pm	Sheldon Landing
Garlic Mustard Pull	May 21	9-11 am	Stearns Creek
Garlic Mustard Pull	May 21	12:30-2:30 pm	Eastmanville Bayou

Help us care for the parks you love!



Garlic mustard removal makes room for native plants that are patiently waiting in the seedbank!

LAKESHORE CLEANUP COALITION

Funding for the Beach Cleanups comes from an EPA Trash Free Waters grant that was awarded to the Macatawa Area Coordinating Council to support beach and river cleanups in Ottawa and Allegan Counties. Through this funding, the Lakeshore Clean Up Coalition and volunteers have spent hundreds of hours cleaning thousands of pounds of trash from public beaches and river access sites.

Get involved: the-macc.org/cleanup-events



Rethinking the American Lawn

Nothing is quite as ubiquitous as the American lawn – a vast, well-manicured plane of Bermuda or Kentucky bluegrass adorns the front of nearly every house in every subdivision of every city in the country. In fact, the US has nearly 50,000 square miles of turf grass¹, combined it would create a yard the size of Pennsylvania. Mowing these thousands of square miles requires over 800 million gallons of gas annually², with lawn mower emissions mixing with stagnant air to create harmful ozone and air pollutants. Each weekend, an estimated 54 million Americans mow their yards³ and next weekend they'll don their lawn sneakers, fire up the mower, and perform the ritual all over again.

While the well-manicured grass lawn has been a near-constant fixture in our communities over the past century, many are revisiting its wide-ranging impacts in the face of habitat degradation, climate change, water consumption, and environmental pollution, with many people desiring more sustainable green spaces – fruit and vegetable gardens, pollinator flower patches, native grass meadows.

Learn more about how grass lawns came to prominence, challenges associated with their widespread adoption, and opportunities to implement alternative landscapes, as well as view our citations: news.miottawa.org/rethinking-the-american-lawn

It's our hope that these items offer unique considerations on turf grass and ways to empower residents to create environmentally healthy green spaces that enhance the community's beauty.



Garden photo by Vicki Bonk, via Facebook Group: Native Plant Gardens in the Upper Midwest



Ottawa Conservation District Native Plant Workshop & Sale

The Ottawa Conservation District native plant sale offers a wide assortment of Michigan-grown native flowering plants, ferns, and grasses. Get started on your own native garden this spring!

Join us on the evening of April 25 at the Nature Center to hear Wesley Landon speak about creating and maintaining manageable native gardens. Wesley is a licensed landscape architect whose passion is creating resilient, innovative places which inspire as well as restore the native environmental fabric of the landscape. More details on page 6.

Registration will be required.

Visit the Conservation District online for the following:

- Native Plant Catalog
- Online Store
- Order Form and Price List
- Pickup Appointment Form
- Registration for Native Plant Workshop

We recommend pre-ordering plants. Orders are due on May 2, 2022

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AN ADVENTURE-BASED, WEEK-LONG, HALF-DAY BIKE CAMP

TEACHING YOUTH AGES 7-15 MOUNTAIN BIKE & URBAN BIKE SAFETY, SKILLS & CONFIDENCE THROUGH EDUCATION, FUN & ADVENTURES ON BIKES!

MOUNTAIN BIKE CAMP

JUNE 13-17

3 DAYS @ RILEY TRAILS
1 DAY @ UPPER MAC
1 DAY @ PIGEON CREEK

URBAN BIKE CAMP

JUNE 20-24

WINDOW ON THE WATERFRONT
DOWNTOWN HOLLAND
EXPLORATION

ADVANCED (AGES 10-15)

MOUNTAIN BIKE CAMP

JUNE 27-JULY 1

MOSQUITO CREEK
PIGEON CREEK
BASS RIVER

MOUNTAIN BIKE CAMP

AUGUST 8-12

3 DAYS @ RILEY TRAILS
1 DAY @ UPPER MAC
1 DAY @ PIGEON CREEK

We are once again partnering with Velo Kids to offer an adventure-based, week-long, half-day bike camp for youth ages 7-15! Sibling discounts available. Register online: velo-kids.com

More programs on pages 6-7



Explore their town and local trails on their bike and discover its excellent places.
Learn how to bike safely and bike smart around town with their friends.
Develop bike repair and maintenance skills - Know how to change a flat or adjust your brakes.
Learn and practice stewardship for our trails, parks and our community.
Meet new friends, be active, have FUN, and enjoy the great outdoors!

REQUIREMENTS:

- POSITIVE ATTITUDE
- ABLE TO COMFORTABLY RIDE 3-4 MILES (1ST-2ND GRADE) 5-6 MILES (3RD-4TH GRADE) & 7-8 MILES (5TH-6TH GRADE)
- A FUNCTIONING MOUNTAIN BIKE FOR MOUNTAIN BIKE CAMPS AND ANY TYPE OF BIKE FOR URBAN BIKE CAMP
- ADVANCED MOUNTAIN BIKE CAMP REQUIRES PRIOR MOUNTAIN BIKE CAMP EXPERIENCE IN 2021 OR 2022

COST: \$120/WEEK (MONDAY-FRIDAY 9-11:30 AM) • REGISTER AT [WWW.VELO-KIDS.COM](https://www.velo-kids.com)

Programs & Activities

Unless otherwise noted: Programs are recommended for ages 12+



Ottawa County Parks
Foundation Community
Engagement programs

Look for the monarch for
activities supported by the
Parks Foundation.



Nature programs

LIFE UNDER A LOG

Imagine a micro-world hiding in plain sight. Explore the life that is hidden under logs and the important role these microecosystems play in the larger forest.

Apr 2, 10-11 am - Pine Bend Park

POLLUTION SOLUTIONS SPEAKER SERIES



Guest speaker Erik Petrovskis, Director of Environmental Compliance and Sustainability at Meijer, will share how Meijer is diligently working to lessen their impact on the environment through increased recycling efforts.

Apr 7, 6:30-7:30 pm - Virtual via Zoom (register for link)

WILDLIFE ENCOUNTERS: WOOD FROGS

Amphibians of the odd and unusual sort are not reserved for just the tropics. The end of winter in nearby woodlands and wetlands reveals one of the most bewildering of all: the Wood Frog.

Apr 9, 3-4:30 pm - Hemlock Crossing

WILDFLOWER WORKSHOP

Registration required

Learn how to identify wildflowers using Newcomb's Wildflower guide. Guides are available to purchase when you register.

Apr 9, 10 am-12 pm - Spring Ephemerals - Grand Ravines

Jun 25, 10 am-12 pm - Prairie Wildflowers - Hemlock Crossing

WILDFLOWER WALK

Woodland flowers, called spring ephemerals, bloom before the trees leaf out. Join us to look for these spring beauties.

Apr 10, 2-3 pm - Grand Ravines (North)

Apr 16, 2-3 pm - Hager Park

Apr 30, 3-4 pm - Grose Park

May 1, 2-3 pm - Grand Ravines (North)

May 14, 2-3 pm - Rosy Mound Natural Area

May 22, 2-3 pm - Grand Ravines (North)

May 28, 2-3 pm - Grand River Park

FOUR SEASONS OF FISHING

Learn about some of the best fishing spots in the county and how to develop a fishing calendar to ensure you're in the right place at the right time to catch the big one!

Apr 14, 6:30-7:30 pm - Hemlock Crossing

GRAND RAVINES LODGE OPEN HOUSE



Take a look around the Grand Ravines Lodge!

Apr 17, 1-5 pm

Apr 24, 1-5 pm

May 8, 1-5 pm

BALD EAGLE WALK AT GRAND RAVINES



Registration required, \$5/person

Bald Eagles frequent areas along the Grand River and have nested at Grand Ravines (North) for a number of years. Join us on this hike to learn the story of the park's resident eagles and view their nesting activities.

Apr 24, 1-2:30 / 2-3:30 / 3-4:30 / 4-5:30

May 8, 1-2:30 / 2-3:30 / 3-4:30 / 4-5:30

NATIVE PLANT WORKSHOP

Registration required

Guest speaker Wesley Landon is a licensed landscape architect whose passion is creating resilient, innovative places which inspire as well as restore the native environmental fabric of the landscape. Learn more about starting your own native garden!

Apr 25, 6:30-7:30 pm - Hemlock Crossing



KAYAKING OPEN HOUSE AT HAWTHORN POND



Registration required

Try kayaking on Hawthorn Pond to gain confidence before you go out on a river trip. Learn some basic kayak handling skills and paddle around the pond during this open house style program.

May 21, 10 am-2 pm* - Hawthorn Pond

*Register for your preferred time

PIGEON RIVER KAYAKING TRIP

Registration required, \$10 (+\$20 for rental)

Enjoy the sights and sounds of the Pigeon River by kayak as you paddle through the park with a guide. Each trip includes a basic kayaking lesson - no experience needed.

May 29, 12-4 pm - Hemlock Crossing

Jun 4, 9:30 am-1:30 pm - Hemlock Crossing

LET'S GO...BUILD A CAMPFIRE!

Fire has captivated people from the beginning. Join a naturalist and other adults for this 60-minute campfire-style program.

Try your hand at three methods of fire-starting, explore the fire triangle, and warm up with a tasty fire-roasted snack.

Jun 4, 10-11 am - Pigeon Creek (Group Camp)

BEECHES ARE MORE THAN JUST SAND



Beech trees have captured the attention of people throughout the centuries in Europe and North America. What makes a Beech tree so special? Join this 60 minute walk to find out!

Jun 5, 10-11 am - Stearns Creek

EARTH ENCOUNTERS: MICHIGAN MINERALS

Michigan's mineral riches have provided the raw materials to drive industry in our state. You'll look at the most well known of these mineral resources and learn to recognize them using their physical properties.

Jun 11, 3-4:30 pm - Hemlock Crossing



Online registration:
miOttawa.org/OCPEvents

Contact Nature Center staff with questions:
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Visit our online learning page for more videos and programs: miOttawa.org/naturetoyou



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Look for these symbols for ways to *Get to know your Greenways!*



The Idema Explorers Trail connects parks along the Grand River Greenway.



The Macatawa River Greenway connects parks along the Macatawa River.

In the parks, after dark

WOODCOCK WALK

Registration required, \$5/person
Introduce yourself to this bird with a short presentation and then enjoy watching the sunset to the twitter of displaying Woodcocks!

Apr 1, 7:30-9 pm - Grand River Park 

TWILIGHT HIKE

Registration required, \$5/person
In spring, as light of day turns to dark of night, wildlife springs to life! Come experience a park in a whole new way as you explore by the light of the fading day.

Apr 29, 8:30-10 pm - Paw Paw Park (East) 

WHISTLE OF THE WHIP-POOR-WILL

Registration required, \$5/person
Learn about the unique natural history of this often misunderstood bird. Afterward, caravan to a local Whip-poor-will hotspot to experience this bird first-hand!

Jun 10, 9-10:30 pm - Hemlock Crossing

ASTRONOMY

Join the Shoreline Amateur Astronomical Association (SAAA) at Hemlock Crossing for programs and, later in the summer, stargazing.

Apr 9, 8-9 pm - Artemis Moon Mission
May 14, 7-8 pm - The Summer Sky
Jun 11, 9 pm-12 am - Public Stargazing

Kids & families

WILDLIFE ENCOUNTERS - KIDS!

The Wildlife Encounter - Kids! series introduces children to wildlife found in their yards, parks, and region; includes activities, walk, and craft. Program is geared for children ages 5-12 years. Children must be accompanied with an adult.

Apr 10, 3-4:30 pm - Bald Eagles - Hemlock Crossing
May 15, 3-4:30 pm - Bird Migration - Hemlock Crossing
Jun 12, 3-4:30 pm - Piping Plover - Hemlock Crossing

TWILIGHT HIKE FOR KIDS & FAMILIES!

Registration required
You'll experience the park as it turns from day to night! We'll listen to frog calls and search for all types of nocturnal creatures. Afterward we'll spend some time relaxing around a campfire.

May 13, 8:30-10 pm - Ottawa Sands 

STORYWALKS

Pages from these picture books will be posted on signs along the path for your family to read together - along with ideas for things to look for and do as you walk!

Apr 4-17, Hawthorn Pond - Bird Watch! 
Apr 18-24, Ottawa Sands - Thank You Earth 
Apr 18-May 1, Riley Trails - Be A Tree
May 2-15, Spring Grove Park - When Spring Comes
May 2-15, Paw Paw (East) - Lola Plants A Garden 
May 16-31, Tunnel Park - Senorita Mariposa
May 22-31, Grand Ravines (South) - Dogs Colorful Day 

Birding

BIRD WALKS

Immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of spring bird migration. *Geared toward beginners

Apr 6, 8-10 am - Crockery Creek Natural Area 
Apr 13, 8-10 am - Bend Area
Apr 20, 8-10 am - Pine Bend Park
Apr 27, 8-10 am - Upper Macatawa Natural Area (West) 
Apr 30, 10-11:30 am* - Hemlock Crossing
May 4, 8-10 am - Riverside Park
May 11, 8-10 am - Grand River Park 
May 15, 2-3:30 pm* - Grand Ravines (North)
May 18, 8-10 am - Hemlock Crossing 
May 25, 8-10 am - Paw Paw Park (West) 

LAKESHORE BIRDING

Part 1: Lake Watch - Join us for a stationary lake watch looking for migratory waterfowl, gulls and shorebirds.

May 7, 8-9:30 am - North Beach Park

Part 2: Shoreline Dunes - Join us to hike the dunes in search of migratory sparrows warblers and more.

May 7, 10 am-12 pm - Ottawa Sands 

BIG DAY BIRDING FIELD TRIP

Registration required, \$20/person
How many bird species can we find in Ottawa County in one day? We'll search several county parks, as well as other locations, for waterbirds, raptors, songbirds and more!

May 20, 7 am-4 pm - Various locations

GREENWAY BIRDING BLITZ

Celebrate migration by birding along the Macatawa Greenway! Join us at one or more locations through the day.

May 28, 7-9 am - Black Lake Boardwalk (East)
May 28, 10-11:30 am - Paw Paw Park (West)
May 28, 12-1:30 pm - Paw Paw Park (East)
May 28, 2-4 pm - Upper Macatawa Natural Area (West)

Summer fun For specific dates, themes, & to sign up, visit: miOttawa.org/ocpevents

EARLY SPROUTS - AGES 4-5 (w/caregiver)

\$6/session • 9:30-11 am • Hemlock Crossing

Activities in this camp will engage caregiver and child interactions in the outdoors. Caregivers will play an active role during camp.

NATURE BUDS - AGES 6-8

\$6/session • 9:30-11:30 am

Hemlock Crossing

Explore and engage with nature! Activities may include using dip nets in our wetland, scooping up butterflies in insect nets, and searching for salamanders.





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