

NATURE NEWS

The mission of the Lake Erie Islands Nature & Wildlife Center is to promote conservation of and education about the flora, fauna, and lands of the Lake Erie

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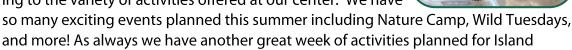
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NEW THIS SEASON!

We are so excited to start up the season and to show our visitors what's new! Opening day will be Saturday, May 4th and we can't wait for you to see what we have in store this season. Come see our NEW snake display with various snakes native to the islands. We'll also be updating our kids area, working on a new migratory bird display, and continue adding to the variety of activities offered at our center. We have



SPONSOR A DISPLAY

Did you know you can sponsor one of our interactive displays and get your name or logo on the home screen? It's a great way to support our education efforts while getting exposure for your business! Scan the code if you want to sponsor a display with your business membership!

Green Week. These events have been made possible due to our AMAZING supporters! If you would like to donate to help sustain operations at our center you can scan the QR code and donate through GiveButter! We are open weekends in May and Monday-Saturday starting in June and hope to see you there!

PUT-IN-BAY MONARCH FEST

We are thrilled to announce a fantastic new event that we hope will become an annual favorite - Put-in-Bay Monarch Festival!
This event will be a family-friendly celebration of the beautiful pollinators. It will build on our past Monarch tagging events and offer so much more for families who join us. We will have Monarch tagging with nets available for families to help us catch butterflies. The event will feature games, food, and mu-



sic, as well as hosting local vendors and educational presenters from organizations around the region. Monarch Fest will take place on Saturday September 14th at Duggan's field next to the South Bass Lighthouse from 11 am - 2 pm, and the Lighthouse will be open for tours that day as well! There will be butterfly races for the kids (wings available!) and butterfly face painting, as well as other fun games and prizes!

If you are interested in being a sponsor for this event, or want to have a vendor or educational table, contact the LEINWC at leinwc@gmail.com or 419-285-3037.

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UPDATES AT THE LEINWC

CALLING ALL CITIZEN SCIENTISTS: IN SEARCH OF DEER PICTURES

BY AMY B. ALFORD

Last summer, the LEINWC began a project to estimate the white-tailed deer population on South Bass Island. We hosted a summer research student from Stone Lab who estimated we had about 42 deer on the



entire island. This winter, we established a network of trail cameras on private land and PIB Township Parks & Preserves to better understand where the deer are located and improve our ability to count them. This summer, we will get the opportunity to host another Stone Lab student who will be using the over 6,000 images



captured this winter to provide a better estimate of the deer population size. But we are searching for additional images of deer across the island. If you have a trail camera or doorbell camera that captured images of deer in 2023 or 2024, your images would be a great contribution to the project. Feel free to reach out to Amy at leicommunityscience@gmail.com if you have pictures, questions about the project, or are interested in hosting one of our cameras on your property.

LAST CHANCE FOR PAPER NEWSLETTER

In our efforts to reduce waste, we will be removing the addresses from our paper mailing list of anyone who has not been actively involved through membership or contribution since 2018 nor have responded to our contact efforts. We have included an insert in this newsletter to return if you wish to continue to receive paper newsletters (or you can email us at leinwc@gmail.com or call 419-285-3037), If you have been active with the Nature & Wildlife Center in recent years, or if you have reached out with a request for either paper or digital newsletters, please disregard the insert. We appreciate your understanding and support of our efforts to be more environmentally friendly!

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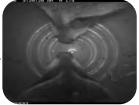
BY AMY B ALFORD

The Nature Center now has an iNaturalist Project! If you have an iNaturalist account and make an observation within the Lake Erie Islands ecosystem, your observation is automatically added to the project - scan the QR code to join! Check it out to see over 2,700 species of plant, animal, and fungi that call the Lake Erie Islands home and add your observations!



ZOONIVERSE

In 2022 & 2023 we received, on loan, an AHDRift camera trap setup from OHParc! This system was setup in the spring and taken down in the fall near the Lake Erie Watersnake hibernacula at Middle Bass



State Park. The pictures captured were uploaded onto Zooniverse, a popular platform for people-powered research where members of the public can identify the different animals captured by the camera! To view the results from the 2022 project or view the pictures captured in 2023 go to https://zooniverse.org/projects/leinwc/island-critter-cam

WELCOME LILLY!

Huge congratulations to director Renee Fultz and her husband, Lucas Guy, on the arrival of their beautiful daughter Lillian Belle Novella Guy! She was born on March 5th at 4:22 pm weighing 5 pounds 6 ounces. We know little Lilly Belle will be frequenting the Nature & Wildlife Center and we are excited to welcome another nature lover to our ranks!

NATURE CAMP

By Emily Beal

The Nature Camp mission is to encourage children's natural curiosity of the outdoors by engaging them in fun and educational activities.

Nature Camp focuses on new themed topics each year related to the Lake Erie Islands' ecology for fun hands-on experiences. Camps are split into appropriate age groups:

Intro to Nature Camp: age 4 My 1st Nature Camp: ages 5-6

Nature Camp: ages 7-8

Environmental Adventure Camp I: ages 9-10 **Environmental Adventure Camp II:** ages 11-14

The 2024 Nature Camp Theme is "Tracks and Traces"

Campers will enjoy learning about the different imprints left by wildlife from varied species and locations while enjoying activities such as orienteering, fishing, geocaching, and more! Older campers will go kayaking and camping, and ages 11-14 will camp out on North Bass Island! We are looking forward to another great year of camp and can't wait to learn with campers through a variety of hands-on activities to learn about the tracks and traces left by nature!

Middle Bass Nature Camp Dates & Times:

Intro to Nature Camp: June 17-21 OR June 24-28; 9-10 am My 1st Nature Camp: June 17-21 OR June 24-28; 10:30-11:30 am

Nature Camp: June 17-21 OR June 24-28; 12:30-2 pm **Environmental Adventure Camp I:** June 17-21 OR June 24-28; 2:30-4:30pm

Environmental Adventure Camp II: July 22-26, time TBA

Put-in-Bay Nature Camp Dates & Times:

Intro to Nature Camp: July 8-12, 11 am-12 pm My 1st Nature Camp: July 8-12, 12:30-1:30 pm OR 2-3 pm Nature Camp: July 15-19, 10-11:30 am OR 12:30-2 pm Environmental Adventure Camp I: July 15-19, 2:30-4:30 pm Environmental Adventure Camp II: July 22-26, time TBA







Registration Forms can be found on pages 10 & 11.

You can also access the forms on our Facebook page and our website:

LakeErieIslandsWildlife.com/nature-camp-2

Scholarships are available for those who express financial need, contact us at <u>leinwc@gmail.com</u> for more information

ROAD SCHOLAR

By Emily Beal

We're looking forward to another great year of Road Scholar! With all programs taking place on South Bass, we are expecting to bring over 100 participants to the island! We will be enjoying spring & fall bird migrations while also engaging in excursions to Gibraltar Island & Middle Bass Island, as well as visiting the bird banding station with Tom Bartlett. Spring 2024 registration is full; although registration is open for our fall 2024 programs and all 2025 programs!

Lake Erie: Birding the Islands & Shores (#12641)

2024 Programs:

Apr 28 - May 3

May 5 - 10

May 12 - 17

Sept. 8 - 13

Sept. 22 - 27

May 4 - 9 May 11 - 16 May 18 - 23

Sept. 7 - 12

Sept. 21 - 26



To learn more about our programs, read Road Scholar newsletters, or to research other programs, visit roadscholar.org















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2024 WILDLIFE CENTER EVENTS

LEINWC SPRING CLEAN UP

April 21 10am-2pm

Come help us get ready for the season with our annual Spring Cleanup day! A fun way to help out (& get Panther Pride hours if you need them!). Bring gloves if you have them, but we'll provide them.

EARTH WEEK ISLAND STYLE April 20-26 By Lisa Brohl

Erie MetroParks is holding an Earth Day Extravaganza at Osborn Park on Saturday, April 20 from 11-3 with lots of activities! The LEINWC, LEIC, and PIBTPD will share a table that day so stop by. We will

need volunteers for that day as well with our booth hosting an activity for visitors and getting the word out on our programs. On Monday April 22nd, we will host a fun walk at the Cooper's Woods Preserve. Start for 1 mile walk will be at 3:30pm and the start for the longer Trail Walk will be at 3:45pm, \$5 suggested donation. There will be water bottles and other prizes for participants as well as refreshments following the walk/run. Sign up ahead of time by emailing leiconservancy@gmail.com or 419

Earth Week Checklist

April 20-26, 2024



Send pictures by April 28 to <u>leiconservancy@gmail.com</u> or Lisa Brohl at 419-366-2087

Sunday April 21: Spring clean up at the Nature & Wildlife Center 10am-2pm, sign up ahead of time by emailing leinwc@gmail.com

Sponsored by the LEIC and LEINWC.

____Monday April 22: Fun Walk at the Cooper's Woods Preserve. Start for 1 mile walk will be at 3:30pm and the start for the longer Trail Walk will be at 3:45pm. \$5 suggested donation. There will be water bottles and other prizes for participants as well as refreshments following the walk. Sign up ahead of time by emailing leiconservancy@gmail.com or 419-366-2087.

_____ Friday, April 26: Arbor Day Celebration at the Village of Put-in-Bay Arbor Day Tree

Commission site at 4:00pm (beside Post office.) Help plant a Sugar Maple & Common Hackberry.

Pull 1 bag of Garlic Mustard

Tick up 1 bag of garbage

Pre-order from LEIC Native Plant Sale (optional)





-366-2087. We are also offering the Earth Day Challenge this year again for those individuals who want to get out and pick up litter or garlic mustard etc. on their own. The attached Challenge form can be turned in for a prize at the end of Earth Week April 20-26, 2024. Our islands always need a little extra loving to get cleaned up for the season-come on out and help us with either the Earth Week Challenge or the Trail Walk!



BACK TO THE WILD

May 8 | 3:15 pm

Back to the Wild will be giving a public program at the Putin-Bay Town Hall with critters from their Wildlife Rehabilitation Center. This program is sponsored by LEINWC, LEI Conservancy, & Miller Boat Line. Come learn about Ohio wildlife!

ISLAND WIDE GARAGE SALE

May 18 | 12 - 4 pm

Stop at the Nature & Wildlife Center during your island garage sale shopping to check out our gift shop sales! Maps will be available the week of the garage sale online or at the PIB Chamber of Commerce office.

GEOLOGY WALK AT COOPERS WOODS

June 8 | 1PM

Join us at Cooper's Woods for a walk through



time as we recount the fascinating 4.5 billion year story of Ohio's rich natural history. We'll explore Ohio's unique geology, and examine plant and animal fossils from our distant past.

2024 WILDLIFE CENTER EVENTS

FOUNDER'S DAY

June 15 | 11 am - 4 pm

Join us in DeRivera Park to celebrate the founding of Put-in-Bay. We will be one of many island vendors and will be offering a fun hands-on activity! Join us for food, drinks, & fun!

WATER QUALITY AT THE STATE PARK

June 20th, July 15th, & August 20th | 1-3 pm

Western Lake Erie has seen an increase in harmful algal bloom (HAB) intensity over the past decade. HABs are a major environmental problem having severe impacts on human health, aquatic ecosystems, and local economy. Take part in hands-on water quality testing and learn more about HABs and what you can do to prevent them.

WILD TUESDAYS June 11 - August 6 | 1-3 pm

| DATE | SPEAKER | TOPIC |
|---------|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| June 11 | Back to the Wild | Backyard Wildlife |
| June 18 | Paula Ziebarth | Birds |
| June 25 | Deb Nofzinger | Bats |
| July 2 | Erie Metroparks | Reptiles |
| July 9 | Ottawa Soil & Water | Water Quality |
| July 16 | Nature's Nursery | Backyard Wildlife |
| July 23 | Black Swamp Bird Observatory | Birds |
| July 30 | Stone Laboratory | Snakes |
| Aug. 6 | Danielle Squire, Alecia Gorski | Native Plants |

Wild Tuesdays are free weekly programs held in our parking lot or on the back porch that are designed to educate visitors on Ohio's Native Wildlife by providing up-close and hands-on interactive expe-



riences! We have a lot of great programs this year; join us on Tuesdays for a WILD good time! Thank you to Miller Boat Line for sponsoring these programs!

ATURDAY JULY 13, 2024 NOON TO 7 PM AND LE BESS MUSIC NORTH COAST GOATS TAIL PAUL AND THE DRAWL COLIN DUSANLT'S BLUES PROJECT THE DRY REES THE DRY REES ANT THY ANT THE TORY SHOUTH ANT THE TORY SHOUTH ANT THY A

MBI MUSIC FESTIVAL

July 13 | 12 - 7 pm

Come enjoy some amazing music while supporting a great cause! This exciting event is put on by the Lake Erie Island Conservancy at the Lonz Winery Pavilion on Middle Bass Island. Enjoy food, drinks, and local artists selling their wares! The

LEIC will be selling T-shirts and we'll have a LEINWC table! If you would like to volunteer or have a table at this event, contact the LEIC at leiconservancy@gmail.com.

BASH ON THE BAY PARKING

Aug. 21-22 | 1 - 8 pm

We are so excited to help out again with the parking for this year's Bash on the Bay! We will need lots of volunteers to collect money and direct cars/carts while listening to many incredible performers. We always have a great time at this fundraiser, and provide snacks and beverages to our volunteers!

BIRD WALK @ SCHEEFF EAST POINT NATURE PRESERVE

Sept. 7 | 9 am

Fall migration season is an exciting time for birding! We're headed to Scheeff East Point Nature Preserve to witness songbird migration. On this nature walk we'll ID bird species we encounter and incorporate the use of crowdsourcing apps such as iNaturalist, eBird, and Merlin Bird ID. These apps help us identify animals while generating data for science and conservation efforts.

MONARCH FEST

Sept. 14 | 11 am - 2 pm

Join us at the field next to the South Bass Lighthouse for our first ever Monarch Festival! As always we'll have monarch tagging, in addition to live music,

vendors, and games! For more information see the article on Page 1!



2024 GREEN WEEK: AUGUST 3-10

SATURDAY, AUG. 3RD

SCIENCE SATURDAYS

11 am - 1 pm, Kelleys Island

Cost: FREE. Science Saturdays is a partnership between Kelleys Island State Park, Kelleys Island Audubon Club, and the Kelleys Island Field Station. This weekly series of events throughout the summer features interactive exploration for families and learners of all ages. Complete Schedule of Science Saturdays at <u>kelleysislandfieldstation.org</u>

BAYFRONT PRESERVE DEDICATION

1 - 3:30 pm, Put-in-Bay

Cost - FREE. Put-in-Bay Township Park District and the LEI Conservancy will host a dedication for the Duff Homestead and Bayfront Preserve, home to native wildlife, forestland, pollinator habitats & a new birding trail. Light refreshments and a tour of their new Visitor Center and offices will follow. The Park District is working to purchase the adjacent Duff vineyard hosting several grape varieties. A guided walk through the vineyard will start at 2:30pm highlighting the Great Lakes' Fruit Belt and microclimates.



LEINWC 11am-5pm, Mon-Sat; Put-in-Bay

Cost: \$4 Adults, \$3 Children & Seniors, \$10 family. Check out the Nature & Wildlife Center with indoor

& outdoor ponds, snakes, turtles, wildlife viewing window, and so much more! A must do for every family!

SUNDAY, AUG. 4TH

HOTEL VICTORY LANTERN TOUR

7:30 pm, Put-in-Bay

Cost: FREE. South Bass Island State Park will host a Lantern Tour of the infamous Hotel Victory grounds. This family event starts with a beauti-

ful sunset and ends at the Hotel Victory Swimming Pool Pavilion. The tour will highlight various still-existing features of the Hotel Victory, a history of the grounds, and exciting facts about the Hotel. Tour by Naturalist and Island Resident Renee Market.



STARGAZING CRUISE

8 pm, Put-in-Bay
This event is not currently confirmed.

We will announce through our website, email, and Facebook when we have more information available.





TUESDAY AUG. 6TH

ARCHERY AT THE STATE PARK

10 am—12 pm, Put-in-Bay

Cost: FREE. Join ODNR's mobile archery unit at the South Bass Island State Park pavilion for this fun event. Equipment provided, anyone in line by noon will get to shoot. Open to all ages!

WILD TUESDAY AT LEINWC

1 - 3 pm, Put-in-Bay

Cost: FREE. For Green Week, we're excited to welcome Danielle Squire & Alecia Gorski! They'll be bringing their knowledge on native plants!

WEDNESDAY AUG. 7TH

12TH ANNUAL PIG ROAST

6 - 9 pm, Put-in-Bay



Cost: \$20 Pre-purchased, \$25 day of. Join us at the Goat Beer Garden for a delicious slow roasted pig along with

tasty sides donated by local restaurants. Live entertainment by Lucas Guy will set the mood with your favorite songs. Tickets available starting in June at the LEINWC.



2024 GREEN WEEK: AUGUST 3-10

THURSDAY, AUG. 8TH

GIBRALTAR ISLAND TOURS

10 am -12 pm & 1 - 3 pm, Gibraltar

Cost: \$10. Transportation to and from Gibraltar is paid separately via the Boardwalk water taxi. This is a wonderful experience for every member of the



family. An hour-long guided tour of Gibraltar Island, home to Jay Cooke's Castle, Commodore Perry's 1812 Lookout, Stone Lab's classrooms and more. For more information call 419-285-1800 or visit ohioseagrant.osu.edu/visit/gibraltar

LAKE ERIE AWARENESS DAY

10 am - 4 pm, Put-in-Bay

Cost – FREE. Lake Erie Awareness Day brings you the magic of Lake Erie's history, culture, and natural resources. Spend the day touring the island while learning about Ohio's greatest water treasure. Visit education stations and learn about island history, native plants and animals, the dangers of plastic pollution, and boating safety. Fun giveaways and a great day in nature awaits you. Go to all the stations and be entered to win a fabulous island themed prize. For station locations and more information visit *go.osu.edu/PlasticFreePIBDay*

FRIDAY, AUG. 9TH

LONZ WINERY TOUR 4:30 pm, Middle Bass Island

Cost: FREE. Tour the famous Lonz Winery Cellar and Grounds. This family event will start with a guided tour through Lonz Winery Cellar and end at the Island Grind

Press House with the option to purchase refreshments. The tour will highlight various stillexisting features of the Lonz



Compound, a history of the grounds and the winery, and exciting facts about life on Middle Bass Island. Tour provided by Naturalist & Island Resident Renee Market.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY AUG. 9TH-10TH

KELLEYS ISLAND HOMECOMING

Cost - FREE Homecoming is sponsored by the Kelleys Island Landowners Association and is a weekend for those who love this island to enjoy a fish fry on Friday, parade on Saturday (with marching band), craft & vendor market, food & beverages—fun for the whole family! All Homecoming events take place at the Kelleys Island Pavilion on Addison St. For more information visit <u>kelleysisland.com/events/homecoming-kila</u>

SATURDAY AUG. 10TH

POKER KAYAK DAY

12 pm, Middle Bass Island

Cost: \$20 preregistration \$25 on site. Kayakers start and finish at the Middle Bass Island State Park west beach (no starts later than 1pm). The paddle around the island



includes three more stops (State Park Marina, MBI East Point Preserve, & Kuehnle State Wildlife Area/Petersen Woods Preserve). A welcome packet outlines the course and has information about the stops. Stops are staffed with volunteers for safety and to distribute poker cards and snacks. Finish with a cook-out while 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners are decided. First place prize is Miller Ferry tickets; 2nd place is a MBI General Store gift card; 3rd place winner gets a bag of frozen shrimp from Costco! Proceeds from the event will benefit the Put-in-Bay Township Park District's newest preserves on Middle Bass Island. (Rain Date August 13) Deadline to register is Aug. 6th. Registration is available at: https://tinyurl.com/MBIpkd2024

LIGHTHOUSE TOUR 10 am - 4 pm, South Bass Island

Cost - FREE. Discover the area's history and pressing issues facing Lake Erie. Visitors can climb the stairs to take in a magnificent view of Put-in-Bay from the top of the tower, which is listed on the

listed on the National Register of Historic Places.



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Spend your Summer advocating for and preserving the scenic and natural areas at a unique Island area. This intern will receive a range of experiences that will give them a glimpse into operations and communications of a non profit, park district, and nature center open to the public by creating and running an educational program, handling live animals, invasive species control, publishing educational and marketing content, and more depending on the skill set and interests of the intern. "Preference to those with island housing, ferry pass may be provided.

- Location: Put-In-Bay, Ohio
 Positions Available: 1 Internship

- Pay Rate: \$600/week
 Benefits: \$1,459.26 education award, loan forbearance, access to our Member Assistance

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Questions? Contact accrecruiting@conservationlegacy.org



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Part-time workers: Join us this season to help greet visitors, run the reception desk, give educational tours, and help with social media, programs & events.

Nature Camp Counselors: Help with 1 or all 5 fun-filled Animal Care Internship weeks of Nature Camp on PIB and MBI in June & July. **Volunteers:** for Nature Camp, Social Media, Nature Cen-

ter, events/fundraisers, & more! Work as much or as little as you are able. Eligible for Panther Pride hours!

Internship opportunities:

Great opportunities to boost vour resume:

Research Internship





As a private 501c3 non-profit, we do not receive any tax or government funding. We rely solely on admissions & gift shop income, donations, fundraisers, & grants. There are lots of ways to support the LEINWC, choose what works best for you!

WISHLIST: Sponsor Expenses or Donate Needed Items

Trash Pickup (Lake Disposal): \$205

Utilities (electric, water): \$1800

Microsoft Software: \$100

OE Meyer Propane: \$700

Newsletter Printing: \$200-300 each

Spectrum (Phone, Internet): \$840

HOUSING for LEINWC employee

Picnic Tables

Epson ET3850 EcoTank Cartridges

High Quality Bird Seed & Suet

See our Amazon list or more ideas!

SQUARE METER

CONSIGNMENT SALES

Our consignment sales were a hit

last season! We are excited to con-

tinue with them this year to support local artisans and offer a bet-

ter variety of local products to our

visitors. If you are interested in selling in our gift shop, please con-

tact us at leinwc@gmail.com.

Receive a unique piece of LEINWC property for only \$50!

DONATION

Send a check or donate on our website! Donations of \$500 or more get your name on a scale of our Donor Fox Snake, Lifetime Membership, & adoption credit!



- Kroger Community Rewards Enroll/update your Community Rewards at Kroger.com
- ◆ Create a Facebook Fundraiser
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Lake Erie Islands Nature & Wildlife Center

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BECOME A MEMBER!

- ◆ Now is the perfect time to get your 2024 LEINWC Membership!
- ◆ Fill out donation form on the last page and send back!
- ◆ Makes a great gift for any nature lover!

| Membership | Price | Pass | Discounts | Other |
|-------------------------------------|-------|------------------|--|---|
| Black Squirrel Individual | \$20 | 2024 Season | | |
| Monarch Butterfly Family | \$30 | 2024 Season | 5% off Nature Camp | |
| Lake Erie Watersnake Business | \$100 | 2024 Season | 10% off Nature Camp | Ad in quarterly newsletter & on website, social media promos |
| Bald Eagle Lifetime | \$500 | Lifetime Pass | 25% off: Nature Camp, Stargazing Cruise, Pig Roast | Name on Donor Fox Snake, \$500 adoption credit |

ADOPT A LEINWC DISPLAY ANIMAL

- ◆ Your name will be displayed on a plaque with your adopted animal
- You get a LIFETIME membership to the Nature Center
- Your name on a scale of our Fox Snake on the back porch
- Great present for Christmas, Birthdays, etc.
- Adoptable animals are divided into three levels:

| LEVEL ONE | LEVEL TWO | LEVEL THREE |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| \$500 | \$1,000 | \$2,500 |
| 37 Animals from Musk | - 17 Animals from Red | 7 Animals from Grizzly |
| rat to Sandhill Crane | Fox to Opossums | Bear to White-tailed Doe |

For a full list of animals available for adoption, visit: lakeerieislandswildlife.com/how-to-help-2



Middle Bass Nature Camp Registration 2024 PLEASE PRINT Parent(s) Name(s)

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| Birth Date (Month/Day/Year - Must be | 1 st T | 1 st Time Camper? | | |
| Island Street Address During Camp _ | | | | |
| Home or Mailing Address | | | | |
| Island Phone | Cell Phone | | | |
| Email Address for Camp Communicati | ons | | | |
| Emergency Contact Name & Numbe | r | | | |
| (X) Camp Session Intro to Nature Camp (4yrs.)* | Dates: June 17-21 or June 24-28 | Time: 9 - 10 AM | Price: | Price after June 1: \$35 |
| My 1st Nature Camp (5-6yrs.)* | June 17-21 or June 24-28 | 10:30-11:30 AM | \$30 | \$35 |
| Nature Camp (7-8yrs.)* | June 17-21 or June 24-28 | 12:30 - 2 PM | \$30 | \$35 |
| Environmental Adventure Camp I (S CAMPOUT ON MIDDLE BA | 9-10yrs.)* June 17-21 or June 24-28 ASS ISLAND | 2:30-4:30 PM | \$50 | \$55 |
| Environmental Adventure Camp II (Maximum of 10 applications ac | 111-14yrs.) July 24 - 28 ccepted. CAMPOUT ON NORTH BASS IS | TBA L AND | \$55 | \$60 |
| For Age 9 and older: Describe the ch | ild's swimming ability | | | - |
| *****Maximum of 20 applications acce | pted in each session for ages 4-10 | | | |
| Donation to MB Nature Camp Fund LEINWC Sponsorship (All levels Black Squirrel - Individual (\$20): Monarch Butterfly - Family (\$30) Lake Erie Watersnake - Business Bald Eagle - Life (\$500): 25% C | include unlimited admission) No Camp Fee Discount S Camp Fee Discount (\$100): 10% Camp Fee Discount | + + | | |
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| Make checks to LEIN | WC. Mail to LEINWC Nature Camp Pro | oram P O Rox 87 | 1 PIR | — ОН 43456 |
| | or scholarships for those expressing financial | | | |
| | my child participating in Nature Camp. (Please chec Il be used with online photos of Nature Camp. | k those that you approve. | . Names w | ill ONLY be used in |
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| Please send me information about | Volunteer opportunities at the Nature & Wildlife Cen | nter (i.e. nature camp, eve | ents, etc.) | |
| Permission Form | | | | |
| may result in personal injury or harm to Nature Camp and I agree to indemnify a and/or representatives from any claim for | eational and educational activities associated with my child. I grant permission for my child to parti nd hold harmless the Lake Erie Islands Nature an r any injury or damage which may result from my edical treatment if none of the above-named emer- | cipate in the program a d Wildlife Center, its st child's attendance at a | nd activit aff, direct and partic | ies of the Middle Bass tors, employees, Agents ipation in the Middle B |
| Signature of Parent/Guardian | (| Date | | |
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Put-in-Bay Nature Camp Registration 2024 PLEASE PRINT

| Child's Name | Parent(s) Na | me(s) | | |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| Birth Date (Month/Day/Year - Must be of Age by Camp | Date) | | 1 st Time | Camper? |
| Island Street Address During Camp | | | | |
| Home or Mailing Address | | | | |
| Island Phone | | Cell Phone | | |
| Email Address for Camp Communication | | | | |
| Emergency Contact Name & Number | | | | |
| (X) Camp SessionIntro to Nature Camp (4yrs.)* | Dates: July 8 - 12 | Time: 11-12 AM | Price: | Price After July 1: \$55 |
| My Ist Nature Camp (5-6yrs.)* | July 8 - 12 | 12:30-1:30 PM | \$50 | \$55 |
| My Ist Nature Camp (5-6yrs,)* | | 2:00-3:00 PM | \$50 | \$55 |
| Nature Camp (7-8yrs.)* | July 15 - 19 | 10-11:30 AM | \$55 | \$60 |
| Nature Camp (7-8yrs.)* | | 12:30-2 PM | \$55 | \$60 |
| Environmental Adventure Camp I (9-10yrs.)* CAMPOUT ON SOUTH BASS ISLAND | July 15 - 19 | 2:30-4:30 PM | \$100 | \$105 |
| Environmental Adventure Camp II (11-14yrs.) Maximum of 10 applications accepted. CAMPO | A CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF TH | TBA BASS ISLAND | \$110 | \$115 |
| For Age 9 and older: Describe the child's swimming a | ability | | | |
| *****Maximum of 20 applications accepted in each session | on for ages 4-10 | | | |
| Registration Fee for Camp | | | \$ | |
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| *Confidential requests for scholarships fo | | | | |
| You have my permission to use photos of my child participatir the Put-in-Bay Gazette.) NO NAME will be used with onling Put-in-Bay Gazette LEINWC Website Please send me information about Volunteer opportuni | ng in Nature Camp. () ne photos of Nature C eLEINV | Please check those that y amp. | ou approve. | Names will ONLY be used in |
| Permission Form | an are timure be | Center (new Hatte | camp, eve | 221.5371/ |
| I fully understand that the nature of recreational and educa may result in personal injury or harm to my child. I grant p Bay, and I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Lake E representatives from any claim for any injury or damage whith Bay. I authorize emergency medical treatment if none of emergency. | ermission for my ch Trie Islands Nature a nich may result from | ld to participate in the nd Wildlife Center, its my child's attendance | program ar staff, direct at and part | nd activities of Nature Cam ors, employees, Agents and icipation in the Nature Can |
| Signature of Parent/Guardian | | D | ate | |



Our **Strategic Plan**is almost finished! If you
would like to be on the
list for giving community
input, email us at
leinwc@gmail.com

I WOULD LIKE TO DONATE TO:

\$ _____for LEINWC operating costs \$ _____for LEINWC wages & benefits Discretionary Fund \$ _____for outstanding needs Respect the Snake Fund \$ _____for snake displays & research Nature Camp Fund \$ _____for expenses and equipment. Wildlife Fund \$ _____for___ Animal Care or ____ Birdseed

2024 MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION

_BLACK SQUIRREL \$20 Individual Member: LEINWC Season Pass

_MONARCH BUTTERFLY \$30 Family Member: Season

Pass, 5% Nature Camp Discount

LAKE ERIE WATER SNAKE \$100 Business Member:

Season Pass, Ad in Newsletters, Website, Social Media Promotion, 10% Nature Camp Discount. **Sponsor a display for \$400** and get your logo on an interactive display!

BALD EAGLE \$500 Life Member: Lifetime Pass, 25%

Discount on sponsored events: Stargazing Cruise, Pig Roast, & Nature Camp, Name on a Scale of the Eastern Fox Snake on the back porch, \$500 Credit towards Animal Adoption

| Name: | | Mailing Address: | | | |
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| City, State, Zip |): | | | | |
| Геlephone: | | E-Mail: | | | |
| | Send me newsletter by E-Mail: | · · · | or I would like paper copy: | | |

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