

NORTHSIDE NEWS - Calendar of Events

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December 2022/January 2023

SPARK! PROGRAMS FOR THOSE WITH MEMORY LOSS

**First Friday of every month
10-11:30 am**

ARTS for ALL, 1709 Aberg Ave., Suite 1
SPARK! offers free programs for people with early- to mid-stage memory loss and care partners. Programs include creative experiences in artmaking, drama, movement/dance, music, poetry or storytelling. Register each month at artsforallwi.org/programs/spark.

MEDICINE WOMEN THRESHOLD SINGERS

**Wednesdays, December 7 and January 4
12:30-2 pm, Lakeview Library**

Women who love to sing and are fully COVID vaccinated are invited to join this new group and sing for people who are seriously ill, dying or grieving. The first rehearsal is Dec. 7; rehearsals will be held once a month on the first Wednesday. Contact Casper Soluna at caspersoluna@gmail.com or 608-417-0400.

"ART ON EMOTION" EXHIBITION

**Entire month of December
Lakeview Library**

Our Vibrant Community held a free creation series at Goodwill-North during November to promote positive emotional health through awareness, education and encouragement. Art from the series will be displayed at Lakeview Library during the entire month of December.

CHRISTMAS AT LAKEVIEW LUTHERAN CHURCH, 4001 MANDRAKE ROAD

Wednesday, December 7

7 pm, Advent Evening Prayer Service

Wednesday, December 14

7 pm, Advent Evening Prayer Service

Wednesday, December 21

7 pm, Blue Christmas Service*

Saturday, December 24

4 pm and 6 pm, Christmas Eve Service

Sunday, December 24

9 am, Christmas Day Service

*A worship service to acknowledge the pain that often rises at Christmastime, and to experience God's healing love.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

**23rd Annual Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair
9 am-3 pm, WPCRC**

Over 80 vendors will be selling their handmade goods just in time for the holiday gift giving season. Food and beverages will be available for purchase.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

Bird and Nature Adventure: Architecture of Trees

2:30 pm, Tenney Park

Tree shapes are much easier to see after leaves have fallen. Join Master Naturalist JoAnn Riecke for a free, family-friendly guided walk to find examples of deciduous trees and evergreen trees. Learn about their different shapes and branching patterns. See <http://tinyurl.com/MadisonFUNAdventures> for fun facts about trees. Meet at Tenney Park Beach. Contact: 608-698-0104

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

Bird and Nature Adventure: Winter Native Plant ID

**1:30-3 pm, Cherokee Marsh North Unit,
6098 N. Sherman Ave.**

Join Master Naturalist Eva Roos to look for native Wisconsin plants and learn how to identify them, even in winter. Contact: 608-698-0104

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6

**Senior Lunch and Euchre Tournament
11 am-2 pm, Lakeview Lutheran Church,
4001 Mandrake Road**

The theme for lunch is "Happy Holidays." The church will offer ham, hash brown casserole, green beans and rolls. Please bring your favorite Christmas cookie to share and a non-perishable food item for the food pantry. There is a free-will offering for lunch. To RSVP, contact the church office at 608-244-6181.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9

**Family Fun Night
5:30-8 pm, WPCRC**

WPCRC will be open for a night of bouncy houses, art and pottery projects, bingo, gym activities, movie screenings and more. The cost is \$5 per family.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13

**Lakeview Lutheran Church Blood Drive
12-5 pm, Lakeview Lutheran Church, 4001
Mandrake Road**

This blood drive is offered in partnership with the American Red Cross. For an appointment, call 1-800-733-2767, or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter Sponsor Code: LakeviewLutheran, or contact the church office at 608-244-6181.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13

**Wild Warner Monthly Meeting
6 pm, WPCRC**

The public is welcome. Join other Northside nature lovers to help support nature preservation, restoration, recreation and education in the wild side of Warner Park. See the Wild Warner Facebook page for updates and more information. Contact: 608-698-0104

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18

Bird and Nature Adventure: The Longest Night

1:30 pm, Warner Park Rainbow Shelter

Celebrate the Winter Solstice outdoors. Join Master Naturalist Robin Kling for a guided walk to learn about solstice traditions and the phenology of what's happening in nature at the cusp of the new solar year. See <http://tinyurl.com/MadisonFUNAdventures> for fun facts about the Winter Solstice. Contact: 608-698-0104

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21

**Senior Bird and Nature Adventure at
Warner Park: Gifts to the Wild
1:30 pm, WPCRC Meeting Room**

Join Master Naturalist Kathleen Wolf for a fun and educational hands-on nature craft activity. Create gifts to help wildlife survive the cold winter months, then share your creations with our furred and feathered neighbors. Contact: 608-698-0104

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21

**Friends of Cherokee Marsh board meeting
5:30-7 pm, WPCRC**

The public is welcome. Cherokeemarsh.org

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22

Friends of Hartmeyer Natural Area Monthly Meeting

5 pm, WPCRC or as posted

The public is welcome. Help preserve and restore Madison's newest conservation park behind the old Oscar Mayer plant. See facebook.com/hartmeyernaturalarea for updates. Contact: 608-698-0104

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1

Bird and Nature Adventure: My Nature Resolutions

**1:30-3 pm, Cherokee Marsh North Unit,
6098 N. Sherman Ave.**

Celebrate New Year's Day with a beautiful nature walk outdoors and make a nature resolution. Join Master Naturalist Sheila Leary for a free, family friendly guided walk. Contact: 608-698-0104

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5

**Senior Lunch and Euchre Tournament
11 am-2 pm, Lakeview Lutheran Church,
4001 Mandrake Road**

The theme for lunch is "Say Yes to Pizza." The church will provide various flavors of pizza, including a vegetarian option. There is a free-will offering for lunch. To RSVP, contact the church office at 608-244-6181. NOTE: 2023 senior lunches will be held the first Thursday of the month.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7

Bird and Nature Adventure: First of Year Birds

2:30 pm, Tenney Park

Join bird guide Paul Noeldner to look in the trees and on the water for brightly colored Wisconsin winter birds. See <http://tinyurl.com/MadisonFUNAdventures> for fun facts about birds, using eBird and iBird, and a Winter Bird Bingo Card. Meet at Tenney Park Beach. Contact: 608-698-0104

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 15

Bird and Nature Adventure: The Art of Winter

1:30 pm, Warner Park Rainbow Shelter

Join Wild Warner Naturalist Kathleen Wolf for a guided walk to enjoy contrasts in the snow and ice-covered landscape. See <http://tinyurl.com/MadisonFUNAdventures> for Fun Facts about winter and winter nature activities. Contact: 608-698-0104

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18

**Senior Bird and Nature Adventure at
Warner Park: Bird Memories**

1:30 pm, WPCRC Meeting Room

Join Master Naturalist Paul Noeldner for a fun and educational indoor presentation. Learn about our amazing and beautiful Wisconsin birds, and share stories and memories of special birds we love. If the weather permits, we may take a short walk to look for birds outdoors. Contact: 608-698-0104

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

**Coffee with a Cop
9 am, WPCRC**

Please come and enjoy free coffee, free cookies and great conversation with your officers on the Northside of Madison.

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

**Friends of Cherokee Marsh Annual Meeting
10 am-12 pm, WPCRC**

Nature is for everyone. Learn about activities and opportunities from local groups who are focused on making the outdoors welcoming for all. Cherokeemarsh.org

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

**Warner Park Candlelight Walk
6-8 pm, Rainbow Shelter**

Explore the lighted trails on your own, then warm up by a campfire. Restrooms are available onsite. The event will take place with or without snow cover. There is no charge, and no registration is required.

LL = Lakeview Library WPCRC = Warner Park Community Recreation Center



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