Ongoing Events

Ongoing Registration for the 11th Streamwood Stride Registration
Streamwood: 630-483-3025 streamwoodparkdistrict.org
On Sat., June 13th. Mile Fun Run & Kiddie Races, 10K & 5K run registration has begun. Breakfast & t-shirt are included with the race. Sign up for your spot right away – all are welcome!

Ongoing
Radio Disney Road Crew Appearances
Throughout Chicagoland: www.radiodisney.com/chicago
Radio Disney Road Crew appearance with music, dancing, prizes & fun! See our ad on page 55.
6/6: 11-12pm Museum of Science & Industry, Chicago
6/13: 3-4:30pm The Promenade Bolingbrook, Bolingbrook, "Join us and find out how you could win a pair of tickets to see Jonas Brothers, live in concert!"
6/21: 1-2pm Naper Days at the Naper Settlement, Naperville
6/27: 12-1pm City of Elgin, 'The Centre' in Elgin
6/27: 11-12pm Illinois Tollway Authority Child Safety Check event with Radio Disney & the Monroe Shocks Car Clinic, location TBD
6/28: 1-3pm Taste of Joliet
7/4: 5-6pm City of Bensenville
7/4: 5:30-7pm Family Stage at Taste of Chicago
7/5: Jordan Pruitt and Mitchel Musso concert at Taste of Chicago
8/2: 2:30-4:30pm City of Elgin's FoxFire Fest
8/29: 11:30-12:30pm Backlot Bash, Skokie

Wed.'s & Sat.'s, May 23-Sept. 6
Shoreline Sightseeing Fireworks Cruises
Chicago: shorelinesightseeing.com
Navy Pier Dock St. Cost: $12-$24. Choose Shoreline for relaxing views of the summer fireworks, warm breezes, summer moonlight & great memories on Lake Michigan. 30-minute skyline tours, one-hour architecture cruises, water taxis for up to 60 passengers & four private charters vessels for 50-250 passengers from April-Nov. 9:45pm Sat, 9pm Wed.!

Wed.'s & Sat's, May 23-Sept. 6, Navy Pier Fireworks
Chicago: navpier.com
600 E. Grand Ave. Free, spectacular fireworks all summer long! 9:30pm Wed., 10:15pm Sat.

May 15-Oct. 1
Mercury, Chicago's Skyline Cruiseline 74th Season
Chicago: 312-332-1353 mercuryskylinecruiseline.com
From fun, family-friendly lakefront cruises & crowd-pleasing fireworks cruises to late night supernatural cruises & cruises just for dogs, the Mercury family adds value on the water! NEW THIS YEAR- The Wacky Pirate Cruise w/games & goodies for the kids, 10:30am, Fri-Sat, 6/19-8/15 PLUS ticket holder discounts to see the Real Pirates exhibition at The Field Museum. Departs from Riverside Gardens dock at the lower level & SE corner of the Michigan Ave. bridge & Wacker Drive.

Now through-Oct. 1
Wendella Sightseeing Boats
Chicago: 312-337-1446 chicagowatertaxi.com or wendellaboats.com
400 N. Michigan Ave., at the Wrigley Building. NW corner of the Michigan Ave. Bridge. From fireworks cruises, to special interest tours, Wendella offers a front row seat to many of exciting & beloved city events. These include the Independence Day Fireworks (for some unknown reason celebrated on July 3rd!) to Venetian Night.$5 off parking available at STATE KINZIE WABASH SELF PARK, 401 N. State St. Ask for a "chaser" coupon from our ticket office at the time purchase.

Fri.'s, Now through Dec. 18, 6-9pm
Vernon Hills Park District Table Tennis Club
Vernon Hills: 847-996-6800
Sullivan Center, 635 Aspen Dr. Grab your ping pong paddle! We have partnered with Engelbert Solis, 2001 Illinois State Table Tennis Champion, to bring a table tennis club to the Vernon Hills community. We welcome all ages & abilities. No membership is required; only a $5 drop-in fee per visit.

Ongoing Mon.-Fri., 10am-noon
Mom & Tots
Northbrook: 847-480-2323 pinstripes.com
South Barrington: 847-844-9300
Pinstripes. All Kids bowling $5 & Moms Bowl Free! Complimentary yogurt & fresh fruit buffet for the kids, & coffee station for moms & dads.

Ongoing, Mon.-Fri., 3-5pm
Afternoon "Recess"
Northbrook: 847-480-2323 pinstripes.com
South Barrington: 847-844-9300
Pinstripes. All kids bowling $7 & Moms Bowl Free! Complimentary snacks & juice.

Daily, June 18-Aug. 14, 10am
Summer Open Dress-up
Algonquin: 815-354-2773
My Secret Garden, 402 S. Main St. Girls can come & enjoy dress-up, glamour make-up, hair up-do's and a garden tea party! Let your little girl be treated like a princess for the day! We are located in a completely renovated 1882 Victorian home in downtown A lgonquin.

June Events

Ongoing June 1-Sept. 1
Get Out There!
Highland Park: 847-433-6901 pdhp.org
Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd. Check in at the front desk to purchase your outdoor play packet, then hit the trails & have fun. Each month's packet is a different, self-guided adventure. No pre-registration required.$4/per play packet.

Ongoing, times offered may vary daily
Apple Holler Family Farm
Racine County, WI: 800-238-3629 appleholler.com
5006 S. Sylvania Ave. Ongoing-Every Day Apple Holler Gem Stone Mining Family Activity. Check website for special weekend events, outdoor children's activities.

Every Tue. , June 16-Aug. 18, 10am-noon
Cinemark's Summer Movie Club House
Woodridge: 630-663-8892 cinemark.com
Seven Bridges, 6500 Rt. 53. Fun films for kids & families every week during summer. Cost is only $1/person or series punch card $5/10 shows (one card per person). All movies are rated G or PG.

Wed.-Thur.'s, June 17-18, 24-25, July 8-9, 15-16, 22-23, 29-30, Aug. 5-6, 12-13, 10am-noon
Kid's Rule Summer Series
Addison, 1555 West Lake St.: 630-932-4572
Chicago Heights, 1301 Hilltop Ave.: 708-747-0800
Elgin, 111 S. Randall Rd.: 847-622-1000
Gurnee, 6144 Grand Ave.: 847-855-9940
Orland Park, 16350 S. LaGrange Rd.: 708-873-1900
Marcus Cinema Theatres. Don't miss our Kid's Rule Summer Series of family-friendly movies at a great price this summer! **All seats are only $3;includes a free bag of popcorn!**

June 1- June 30
Community Days
Springfield: 800-610-2094 PresidentLincoln.org
Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library & Museum, 212 N. 6th St. During the 2009 Lincoln Bicentennial summer, the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library & Museumis offering residents of select Illinois counties half off adult admission! Show your drivers license at the ticket counter to receive your discount. The 2009 Community Days schedule for Chicagoland counties: May: Lake County, June: Will County, July:Cook & DuPage Counties, August 2009: Kankakee County.

Ongoing Mon.-Sun., June 1-Aug. 21, 10am-3pm
Farmer For A Day Summer Program
Glenview: 847-657-1506 glenviewparks/wagnerfarm
Historic Wagner Farm, 1510 Wagner Rd. Participate in the hands-on experience of a working 1920's dairy farm. Immerse yourself in the daily chores, including domestic chores, milking a cow, collecting eggs in the chicken coop, feeding the animals & more. Free & open to the public, reservations not required. S

Mon., June 1
Annual Rhubarb Fest
Rockton: 815-629-2210
Rockton Township Historical Society Museum, Rt. 75 & Green St. Annual fundraiser, selling homemade rubarb items including pies, cakes, breads, cookies & jam.

Ongoing June 1-28, 11am-4pm M-F, 11am-6pm Sat-Sun
Strawberry Festival
Racine County, WI: 800-238-3629 appleholler.com
Apple Holler, 5006 S. Sylvania Ave. Fresh-picked strawberries. Weekend outdoor cookout featuring applewood-smoked ribs, brats & chicken. Live music. Wagon & pony rides, pedal carts, Kit's Korral play area with Cool Cow maze, & more. Festival is free. Tickets required for some activities.

Mon.'s, June 1-Aug. 31, 10-11am
Children's Story Hour
West Chicago: 630-876-5900 dupageforest.com
Kline Creek Farm, 1N600 County Farm Rd. Spread a blanket on the ground & enjoy a reading of popular children's stories of the 1890s. Then, explore summer at this living-history farm. Free admission & no reservations are required.

Mon's & Thur's, June 1-Aug. 31, 1:30, 2:30, 3:30pm
Chores!
West Chicago: 630-876-5900 dupageforest.com
Kline Creek Farm, 1N600 County Farm Rd. Join us all summer long to experience some of chores sids on an 1890s farm had to do. . Mon.'s : chores to help mom & on Thur.'s: We help dad. Reservations are not required. Free.

Tue., June 2
Father's Day at Thrown Elements Pottery
Arlington Heights: 847-818-1313
thrownelementspottery.com
260 N Evergreen Ave Dads pay no studio fees for paint-your-own-pottery all day!

Tue., June 2, 10am-noon
Parent Connection Welcome Coffee
Crystal Lake: 815-425-3766 big-tent.com/groups/connection
Woodscreek Park, 1416 Willow Tree Dr. Open to anyone interested in learning more about the group. Children welcome! Contact us for alternate rain location. A fun social & support network connecting families with young children. Free.

Tue., June 2, 9-11am & June 4-1-3pm
Home-Schoolers Nature Hike
Hanover Park: 630-942-6200 dupageforest.com
Hawk Hollow Forest Perserve. Learn about natural & cultural history while exploring different forest preserves during these special sessions. Reservations required. $5/family

Tue.'s, June 2-30,10-11am
Story Time at Fullersburg Woods
Oak Brook: 630-850-8110 dupageforest.com
Fullersburg Woods Nature Education Center, 3609 Spring Rd. Take a naturalist-led hike to look for flowers, insects & other surprises. Then, listen to nature stories & sing songs. Reservations not required. Dress to be outside. Free. Ages 1-6.

Wed., June 3, 7-8pm
The Voyages of Dr. Doolittle
Bolingbrook: 630-759-2102 fountaindale.lib.il.us
Bolingbrook Performing Arts Center, 375 W. Briarcliff Rd.

Wed., June 3, 6:30-8pm
Be the Artist
Elmhurst: 630-993-8901 elmhurstartmuseum.org
Elmhurst Art Museum,150 Cottage Hill Ave. Get up-close & personal at Marc Sijan's Ultra-Realistic Sculpture exhibition of human figures. Learn how to draw the human body using correct proportion & perspective. Grades 5-8. $8/member, $10/non-members. .

First & third Wed.'s of June, July & Aug., 5:30 & 6:30pm
Dancin' Sprouts
Glencoe: 847- 835-5440 chicagobotanic.org
Chicago Botanic Garden, 1000 Lake Cook Rd. Free musical entertainment evenings. Picnicking will be allowed during this event on the Esplanade only. Admission is free. Parking/$20.

Wed.-Sun., June 3-7
Taste of Wheaton
Wheaton: 630-665-4710 www.wheatonparkdistrict.com
Fun for the Whole Family! Memorial Park in Downtown Wheaton. Multiple Day Festival with entertainment and activities, carnival rides, business expo booths, art & crafts fair and an exciting line-up of entertainers. Featuring a 5/10K Run for the Animals benefiting Cosley Zoo. Check our web-site for details and event updates.

Wed. & Fri. & Sat, June 3-Aug. 29, 1-4 pm Wed & Fri, 12-3pm Sat.
Open Skate
Lombard: 630-953-2400 lombardrollerrink.com
Lombard Roller Rink, 201 W. 22nd St. Enjoy our bright sunny rink. Safe, good exercise & fun, fun, fun! Skates extra. Closed July 1-12 & Sun.'s in summer. $6, skates extra.

Wed.'s, June 3, 10, 17, 24, July 15, 22, 29 & Aug. 5,12, 19, 26, 6:30-8:30pm
Family Pizza Skate
Lombard: 630-953-2400 lombardrollerrink.com
Lombard Roller Rink, 201 W. 22nd St. Family of four, including one adult, will receive whole cheese pizza, pitcher of soda & regular skate rental. All for ONLY $30. Individual skater $6, skates extra.

Every Wed. in June, 7-9pm
Nature Night
Oak Brook: 630-850-8110 dupageforest.com
Fullersburg Woods Nature Education Center, 3609 Spring Rd. Learn all about nature, & enjoy a campfire complete with marshmallows. Enjoy a short hike to the fireside. Dress to be outside. Reservations required. $3/person, $10 /family of four or more.

Wed.'s & Sun.'s, June -Aug., 10:30am Wed, 1pm Sun
The Tempel Lipizzans Summer Performances
Old Mill Creek: 847-244-5330 tempelfarms.com
Tempel Farms, 17000 Wadsworth Rd. Let the Tempel Lipizzan horses enchant you with their graceful dances, strength & spirit. Performances modeled after the Spanish Riding School & set to music. Open Rain or Shine. $18/adult, $15/senior, $10/children.

Ongoing June 3-Sept. 7
Cirque Shanghai:Bright Spirit
Chicago: ticketmaster.com/shanghai
Cirque Shanghai returns to the Pepsi Skyline Stage with an all-new acrobatic spectacle. This jaw-dropping, eye-popping, heart-stopping & breathtaking beautiful show is fun for all ages.

Wed.-Thur., June 3-4, 1-2pm Wed, 10-11am Thur
Fantastic Family Fun: Wadin', Dippin' & Scoopin'
Wheaton: 630-871-2810 lincolnmarsh.org
Lincoln Marsh Natural Area, Harrison Ave & Pierce Ave. Wade in the Lincoln Marsh equipped with nets, to catch & learn about the fascinating wildlife! Bring an extra pair of shoes & a towel for clean-up. $6/person/res.; $9/person/non-res.

Wed.'s & Weekends in June
Hayrides at Danada Equestrian Center
Wheaton: 630-668-6012 danada.info
3 S. 507 Naperville Rd. 5-7:15pm Wed. Noon-3:45pm Sat-Sun. $5/adult, $2/ages 5-12, free/under age 5.

Thur.-Sun., June 4-7
Carol Stream Summer Fest
Carol Stream: 630-665-7050 carolstream.org/09events.pdf
Carol Stream, Ferraro Town Center. Three stages of entertainment, a full carnival, walk around characters, the 4th Annual Teen Music Festival on Sat. at 4pm, Cash Bingo on Sat & Sun. from 1-5pm, Home Depot Kid's Wood Workshop on Sat. from Noon-4pm. 6-10pm Thur, 6-11pm Fri, noon-11pm Sat, noon-10pm Sun.

Every Thur. & Sat. in June, 11am
Guided Nature Walks
Chicago: naturemuseum.org
Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, 2430 N. Cannon Dr. Discover the hidden treasures of nature in these guided strolls through our many urban habitats. Topics include birds, monarchs, dragonflies, and more! (Weather permitting). Free with Museum admission.

Tue.'s, June 4 & 18, July 2 &16, & Aug. 6 & 20, 1-1:45pm
Into the Wild
Lisle: 630-968-0074 mortonarb.org
The Morton Arboretum, 4100 IL-53. Take a trek with us beyond the Children's Garden gates during this drop-in activity. Explore the natural habitats that surround the garden, while singing songs, playing games & pretending to be animals. All ages. $11/adult, ($7 on Wed.), ages 18-64. $10/senior, ($6 on Wed.), ages 65 and over, $8/child ($5 on Wed.), ages 2-17. Under age 2 is free. Parking is free.

Thur., June 4, dusk
Drive In Movie
Oak Brook: 630-645-9590 obparks.org
Oak Brook Family Rec. Center, 1450 Forest Gate Rd. Bring the whole family to the parking lot of the Family Recreation Center & watch Honey, I Shrunk the Kids on the big screen. FREE to all.

Thur., June 4, 8:30am
Palatine Hills Golf Classic
Palatine: 847-392-2848 nwsra.org
Palatine Hills Golf Course, 512 W. Northwest Hwy. Special Olympics athletes from the NW suburbs showcase their golfing talents along with supporters of the Special Leisure Services Foundation. 18 holes of foursome scramble golf, gifts, continental breakfast, lunch, dinner & more! All proceeds from this event will benefit Special Olympics Illinois Area 18. $125/person.

Ongoing Thur. & Sun.'s, June 4-Oct. 15, 1-4pm
History is Alive!
St. Charles: 630-377-6424 ppfv.org
Durant House Museum, Dean St. Our dynamic approach is designed to breathe new life into history & highlight the unique charms of 1840's life by presenting visitors with a truly unforgettable experience. Donations requested; $2/adult, $1/child

Fri.-Sun., June 5-7
Taste of Des Plaines
Des Plaines: 847-391-5300 desplaines.org
Downtown, Ellinwood St. The Taste combines the best of the finest local restaurants, free entertainment, the Chamber of Commerce & Industry's Consumer Expo, an art show by the Des Plaines Art Guild, a Chase to the Taste Fun Walk/Run & more! Tours of the historic home are available at the History Center, 781 Pearson St. 6-11pm Fri, 11am-11pm Sat, 11am-7pm Sun

Fridays starting June 5, 2-6pm
Bartlett Farmers Market
Bartlett: 630-837-0800
The 2009 Bartlett Farmers Market runs from Friday, June 5th to Friday, Sept. 11th (no market on Friday, July 3rd). Families are encouraged to attend as the Village provides a kids activity at each market. Parking for the market is available in the Village Hall parking lot as well as behind the Town Center commercial building. For more information or questions about becoming a vendor, please contact Steven Bosco at 630-837-0800.

Fri., June 5, 7-8:30pm & Sat., June 6, 1-2:30pm
Free Seminar: Protect & Grow your money in this economy.
Des Plaines: 847-337-8321 billeon.net
1111 E. Touhy Ave. You work hard for your money. Learn how to make your money work hard for you! Learn the power in life insurance, the choices for college funding, and the newest and safe way to save for retirement. **Knowledge + Action = Financial Piece of Mind.** Kids, family and friends welcome. There will be NO SELLING, just good honest advice so you can protect and grow your money! Please RSVP to TyLim@Billeon.net.

Fri., June 5, 5-10pm
Junior Girl Scout Outdoor Badge Bonanza
Elgin: 847-741-6655
Hawthorne Hill Nature Center. Complete Finding Your Way, Outdoor Cook, Outdoor Fun, & Sky Search badge requirements. Our staff will take you outdoors for hiking, stargazing & cooking out. Dress for the weather. We'll provide supper. $20 per scout

Fri.-Sun., June 5-7, 9am-6pm
NHRA
Joliet: 815-727-RACE chicagolandspeedway.com
Route 66 Raceway, 500 Speedway Blvd. National Hot Rod Association annual race at the Chicagoland Speedway.

Fri.-Sat., June 5-6
Bloomin' Days
Kenosha: 262-654-7307 KenoshaBloominDays.com
Downtown, 6th Ave. & 54th St. & throughout Downtown. Join Kenosha's Downtown & Harborside neighborhood in celebrating summer with live music, food, bicycle parade, and kids games.

Fri.-Sun. ,June 5-7
Garden Fair
Rockford: 815-965-8146 klehm.org
Klehm Arboretum & Botanic Garden, 2715 s. Main St. As the Midwest's Premier Gardening & Outdoor Living Marketplace, Garden Fair 2009 will be bigger and better than ever before!

Fri.-Sun., June 5-7
Rose Festival
Roselle: 630-671-2801 roselle.il.us
Roselle Commuter Train Station Lot, 540 E. Irving Park Rd. Enjoy a family friendly weekend of music, food & fun. From carnival rides to an array of food vendors to ice cold beverages, this year's festival is sure to please all. Free.

Sat., June 6, 8am-2pm
Glen Ellyn: 630-790-1721 www.stpetschurch.org
420 Glenwood Ave. Huge 1-Day Only Parish Rummage Sale! Furniture, children's items, electronics, yard & sporting goods, tools, household & holiday items, clothing and accessories. Proceeds will support various community outreach programs. For more information call Kim at 630-790-1721.

Fri., June 5, 7-9:30pm
Treasure Hunt Pool Adventure
Schaumburg: 847- 985-2143 parkfun.com
Bock Pool, 1223 W. Sharon Lane. Schaumburg Park District pool events for District 54 & parochial school students entering fourth, fifth or sixth grades in Aug. 2009. Games, music, prizes & more are all part of the fun. $15. No day-of registration.

Fri.'s, June 5, July 8, & Aug.12, 6:30pm
Wild About Reading at Henson Robinson Zoo
Springfield: 217-753-6217 hensonrobinsonzoo.org
Henson Robinson Zoo,1100 East Lake Dr. Jump into a good book & learn about some of the animals that reside at the Zoo. Stories followed by an animal program & craft. .

Fri.'s, June 5- Aug. 29, dusk
Movies in the Park
Yorkville: 630-553-4357 yorkville.il.us
Various Locations. Bring your popcorn, a blanket, & some friends & meet us for outdoor movies on a huge screen all summer long on Friday nights in Yorkville! Free. Visit online for more information and movie listings and locations. Free!

Ongoing June 5-14
Illinois' Largest Used Book Sale
Skokie: LittleCityBooksSale.com
Westfield Old Orchard. The Little City Foundation Used Book Sale typically draws more than 50,000 shoppers with its more than 200,000 used books in 70 subject categories. Free admission except on 6/5, when a $10 donation is charged.

Sat., June 6, 7-10pm
Saturday date night at Thrown Elements Pottery
Arlington Heights: 847-818-1313
thrownelementspottery.com
260 N Evergreen Ave . 1/2 off paint-your-own-pottery studio fees, free appetizers, BYOB. Call for reservations.

Sat., June 6, noon-5pm
Grand Opening Celebration
Carol Stream: 630-784-6100 csparks.org
Coral Cove Water Park, 849 Lies Rd. Coral Cove Water Park is kicking off the summer with a day of family fun. Join mascot Sammy Starfish for games, prizes & giveaways every hour! $5/res., $9/non-res.

Sat., June 6, 9am–noon
Optimist Club Fishing Derby
Des Plaines: 847-391-5700 desplainesparks.org
Optimist Picnic Shelter at Lake Opeka, Lee St. btwn Howard & Touhy Ave.'s You provide you own rod & reel. We provide the bait & help with finding the fish. Don't miss this chance to land one of those mysterious Denizens of the Deep. Age 16 & younger.

Sat., June 6, 8am
Chase to the Taste 5K Run/Walk
Des Plaines: 847-391-5700 desplainesparks.org
Pearson Street at Ellinwood. CARA registered, USATF certified course through residential streets. Register at www.active.com. Registration form & full info at www.desplainesparks.org. Benefits the Park District Scholarship Fund. $20/adult, $15/16 & younger , before June 6

Sat., June 6, 9:15am
Kid's Dash: 50 yard run
Des Plaines: 847-391-5700 desplainesparks.org
Pearson Street at Ellinwood. Registration form & full info online. Proceeds benefit the Park District Scholarship Fund. Separate heats for girls & boys. Ages 3-5 yrs & Ages 6-9 yrs. Registration: $7

Sat., June 6, noon-2pm
Bubblefest
Elgin: 847-741-6655 elginpublicmuseum.org
Elgin Public Museum, 225 Grand Blvd. Make a bubble blower, stand in a bubble tube, shake hands through a bubble & make your own bubble art! Take a copy of the recipe & learn how to make some of your own bubbles at home. Outdoor, Drop-in event. $2

Sat., June 6, 2pm
Stone Hunt
Elmhurst: 630-833-1616
Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art, 220 Cottage Hill. Ages 5-adult, will search for gemstones & mineral specimens among more common rocks & minerals. Each rock or mineral found is identified & can be taken home. $4/person , Reservations recommended.

Sat., June 6, 1-2pm
Beautiful Blooms
Hinsdale: 630-789-2600 hinsdalehistory.org
Hinsdale History Museum, 15 S. Clay St. Join us for a tour of the Victorian Garden! Learn about the plants in our historic Kitchen Garden behind our 1874 house museum. $4/member, $6/non-member.

Sat., June 6, 9am-3pm
Community Fishing Derby
Hoffman Estates: 847-781-9100 hechamber.com
S. Ridge Lake, Freeman & Mumford Rds.Grab your fishing gear! Scores of tagged fish worth $25-$100 sponsored by local businesses will be put into the lake for you to snag. Door prizes, goody bags & tee shirt give-aways. No age or residency restrictions & no fishing license necessary. Pre-registration:$3. At event/$5.

Sat.-Wed., June 6-10
8th Annual Heritage Tractor Adventure
Joliet: 866-6TRACTOR heritagetractoradventure.com
Will & LaSalle Counties, 339 W. Jefferson. A parade of antique tractors travelling along the I &M Canal & cities in the Heritage Corridor. They stop for meals, parade through downtowns & have entertainment at night.

Sat.-Sun., June 6-7, 10am-5pm each day
An Outta Sight Kite Flight
Kenosha, WI: 414-305-3145 KenoshaEvents.com
Kennedy Park in Kenosha, 4051 5th Ave. Professionals, & the general public, fly kites at Kenosha's lakefront. Free. .

Sat.'s & Sun.'s, June 6-7, 13-14, 20-21 & 27-28, 5:30pm start
Theatre-Hikes
Lisle: 630-725-2066 mortonarb.org
The Morton Arboretum, 4100 IL-53., Thornhill Shelter. Hike outside from scene to scene of various plays & musicals. The audience hikes to each spot to see a new scene. All ages. $10-$25, are available at mortonarb.org or 630-725-2066. Parking is free.

Sat., June 6, 8-11am
Kids Annual Fishing Derby
McHenry: 815-363-2160
Whispering Oaks Park, 4300 Front Royal Ave. Bring your own fishing pole & tackle & we will provide the worms. Prizes awarded. Registration taken day of event at Whispering Oaks. Adults may assist childen but are not allowed to fish. FREE.

Sat., June 6-7, 10am-4pm
Frontier Park Kite Festival
Naperville: 630-848-5000 napervilleparks.org
Frontier Park, 3380 Cedar Glade Dr. Featuring 40-60' kites, exciting demonstrations & stunts.

Sat., June 6, 10-11:30am
Get Hooked on Fishing
Oakbrook Terrace: 630- 941-8747 obtpd.org/lvnc
Lake View Nature Center, 17 W 063 Hodges Rd. Learn basic fishing techniques, fishing ethics, safety issues, & rules/regulations for fishing. Receive instruction on baiting a hook, tying a knot, casting, & how to handle & return fish to the water. $12 R/$17 NR.

Sat., June 6, 10:30am-1pm
Family Fest
Schaumburg: 847-392-2848 nwsra.org
Schaumburg Sport Complex, 1141 W. Irving Park Rd. The Schaumburg Professional Firefighters Association hosts this Special Olympics victory event. Special Olympics athletes, their families & NWSRA program participants will enjoy a day of games, crafts, music & dancing & a lunch. Free.

Sat.-Sun., June 6-7, 10am-8pm
Old State Capitol Civil War Encampment
Springfield: 217-785-7960
illinoishistory.gov/hs/old_capitol.htm
Old State Capital Plaza. Medical Displays, U.S. Sanitation Commission Displays, as well as Civilian & Military areas. Kids will enjoy our scavenger hunt with prizes! Free..

Sat.-Sun., June 6-7 & Aug. 1-2
Kane County Flea Market
St. Charles: 630-377-2252
Kane County Fairgrounds, Main St. & Randall Rd. The Best in the Midwest Anywhere. Up to 1000 dealers display & sell antiques, collectibles & Fancy Junque. Admission charged.

Sat., June 6, 9am start
Kid's Fishing Day
Vernon Hills: 847-996-6800 vhparkdistrict.org
Century Park's Big Bear Lake, 1001 Lakeview Pkwy. Start the day with instructions & demonstrations then head to the shore. Bait provided for all, limited number of poles available. R/NR Fee: $5/6. Ages 5+.

Sat.-Sun., June 6-7, 1:30-3:30pm
Udder to Butter
West Chicago: 630-876-5900 dupageforest.com
Kline Creek Farm, 1N600 County Farm Rd. Come learn about dairy farming in the 1890s. Help us churn butter and much more while you visit our 1890s living history farm. Free.

Sat., June 6, 6am registration, 8am race
Walter Payton 5K & 8K Sweetness Run/Walk
Yorkville: 847-605-0034 yorkville.il.us
Yorkville High School, 797 Game Farm. Join the Payton family for the 4th annual Kendall County Sweetness Run. All proceeds benefit the Walter and Connie Payton Foundation. Fee: $34.

Sun., June 7, 2:30-3:45pm
Mom and Me-Father's Day Surprise
Arlington Heights: 847-255-1225 ahpd.org
Arlington Heights Historical Museum, 110 W. Fremont St. Mom & child work together to make a surprise for Father's Day. An adult must accompany each child. Register in child's name only for the class. Ages 4-7 years. Fee is $15/$18.

Sun., June 7, 9am-2pm
Mid-American Canoe & Kayak Race
Aurora: 630-966-4527 foxvalleyparkdistrict.org
Fox River, 150 W. Illinois Ave. For competitive racers & fun-seeking families alike, offering 14 diff. divisions for paddlers of all ages & abilities. The race travels down the Fox River, ending at McCullough Park in Aurora. A tailgate-style "Party in the Park" for all race participants & spectators at the finish line. $15/$25/$50

Sun., June 7, 7pm
Outer Planets of the Solar System
Deerfield: 847-945-3311 deerfieldlibrary.org
Deerfield Public Library, 920 Waukegan Rd. Bring the entire family as Jim Kovac, a NASA Ambassador, presents a multi-media program adventure from the Sun to the realm of the giant planets: Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus & Neptune.Please register in advance. FREE.

Sun., June 7, 8-10am
9th Annnual Commit To Be Fit 5K/10K
Downers Grove: 630-968-8400 indianboundaryymca.org
Indian BoundaryYMCA, 711 59th St. Annual IBY 5K/10K race & walk. All will have a special "Kiddie Dash", too! $22/person pre-registration; $25 day of event; $10 children 6-12 years; $10 one mile fun run/walk; children 5 & under are free.

Sun., June 7, 10am-3:30pm
The Art of the Human Body
Elmhurst: 630-834-0202 x116 elmhurstartmuseum.org
Elmhurst Art Museum, 150 Cottage Hill Ave. The basics of figure drawing will be covered including proportion, form, and perspective. Catered lunch. $60/member, $75/non-member. Register by 5/29.

First & Third Sun.'s, June 7-Oct. 4 (except Aug. 16), 11am-4pm
Malott Japanese Garden Family Sundays
Glencoe: 847-835-5440 chicagobotanic.org
Chicago Botanic Garden, 1000 Lake Cook Rd. Hands-on activities related to Japanese gardens & culture. Diff. take-home projects, including raking miniature dry gardens, trying chopsticks & practicing calligraphy. Admission is free. Parking/$20.

Sun., June 7, 1-6pm
Children's Chautaugua in the Park
Gurnee: 847-362-8766 crocodilepie.com
Viking Park. Crocodile Pie Children's Books will be selling books. Children's musicians, authors & illustrators, celebrity read-a-loud & more. Admission is FREE.

Sun., June 7, 10:30am and 2:30pm
Artistic Gymnastic Show
Highland Park: 847-432-4790 pdhp.org
Recreation Center of Highland Park, 1207 Park Ave. West. Come watch while our gymnasts showcase their talents.

Sun., June 7, noon-3pm
See A Live Raptor
Lisle: 630-968-0074 mortonarb.org
The Morton Arboretum, 4100 IL-53. The Children's Garden. See a live raptor; a meat-eating bird, & marvel at its sharp talons & beak. Experts from The Little Red Schoolhouse of Cook County will share their knowledge about birds of prey. (weather permitting) $11/adult, ($7 on Wed.), ages 18-64, $10/senior, ($6 on Wed.), ages 65 +, $8/child ($5 on Wed.), ages 2-17, under age 2 is free. Parking is free.

Sun., June 7, 2pm
The Voyages of Dr. Dolittle
Morton Grove: 847 929-5102 webrary.org
Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave. Learn to talk to the animals in this fun musical based on the famous story. Nine year old Tommy meets Dr. Dolittle & all of his animal friends.Free.

Sun., June 7, noon-4pm
Ethnic Heritage Museum 19th Annual International Music Festival
Rockford: 815-962-7402 ethnicheritagemuseum.org
Lithuanian Club, 716 Indiana Ave. Featuring Six Ethnic Groups' Entertainment: African American, Hispanic, Irish, Italian, Lithuanian, & Polish. $8/entertainment & food. Raffle & gift drawings. Tickets will be available to purchase at the door.

Sun., June 7, 2pm
Rose Parade
Roselle: rosellechamber.com
Annual parade departing Turner Park, S. on Roselle Rd. to Granville, E. to Prospect, S. to Irving Park, E. to Lawrence Ave. Free.

Sun., June 7, 7am, Check-in/race-day registration is 5:45-6:45am
Run to Alexian Field 5K
Schaumburg: 847-490-7020 parkfun.com
Alexian Field Stadium, 1999 S Springinsguth Rd. Pre-registration ends at 5pm on 6/1. Awards also given to top two finishers in each age category for men & women. All runners receive a T-shirt. $19 pre-reg/$23 day of fee

Second Mon. of each month, 9:30am, June 8-Sept. 14
Moms4Moms Monthly Meeting
Lake Villa: 847-265-4324
Lake Villa Library, 1001 E. Grand Ave. A support & social group for moms living in Lindenhurst, Lake Villa, Antioch, Fox Lake & Ingleside who choose to focus on raising their children. Free

Mon.'s, June 8-Aug. 17, 3pm
Marvy Mondays
Lombard: 630-627-6127 lombardparks.com
Paradise Bay Water Park, 433 E. St. Charles Rd. There's a new surprise at Paradise Bay every Mon.at 3pm when the Park District hosts spontaneous special events. Join us for games, concession specials & other surprises.

Weekdays, June 8-Aug. 14, 8am-4:30pm
CompassQuest Summer Camp
Naperville: 630-983-9190
The Compass School, 1128 Compass Ct. Our campers will enjoy a week-by-week journey around the world! Each weekly theme will offer a unique exploration, with arts &crafts, food, games, field trips, & weekly visits to the swimming pool! $230/per week. Ages 6-12.

Tue & Fri., June 9-July 17, 10:30-11am
Open Storytime
Mount Prospect: 847-253-5675 mppl.org
Mount Prospect Public Library, 10 s. Emerson. For ages 6 & under & their families to attend these sessions that feature stories & songs. An adult must accompany children under the age of three. No registration required; just join us at the appointed time! FREE.

Tue., June 9, 12-12:45pm
Lunch-Hour Entertainment
Naperville: 630-848.5000 napervilleparks.org
Pack a lunch & join the fun. You'll be treated to an exciting performance geared to the young and young at heart. Visit us at napervilleparks.org for more information. Free.

Tue., June 9, 10am-1:30pm
Monart Drawing Studio Trip
Palatine: 847-359.2400 buehlerymca.org
Buehler YMCA/Monart Drawing Studio, 1400 W. NW Hwy. We'll take you to Monart Drawing Studio for a fun lesson. Notable Kids will transform your artwork into a package of professional greeting cards. Includes: drawing lesson, art supplies, pkg. of 20 greeting cards, & transportation. Register by 5/31.

Tue.'s, beginning June 9, 6-9pm
Every Tuesday Night is Pizza Night at Orbit Skate
Palatine: 847-394-9199 orbitskate.net
Orbit Skate Center, 615 S Consumers Ave All You Can Eat Pizza & skating for 3 hours! Pizza Buffet 6-7pm only, skating until 9pm. Skate rental is extra. Cost:$7.50/person or $25 Family of 4. Skating only 7-9pm $5.50 each or $16 Family of 4.

Tue., June 9, 10-11am
Near to Nature
Rutland: 847-741-8350
Rutland Forest Preserve , Big Timber Rd., N. of Rt. 72. Ages 3-6 & their caregivers are invited to explore the woods & fields with naturalists. Includes a nature hike, games & fun activities. $5/child.

Wed., June 10, 6:30-8pm
Vegetable Gardening
Carol Stream: 630-784-6100 csparks.org
Aldrin Community Center, 391 IlliniDr. Learn the tricks to managing an abundant garden! The basics of gardening including the preparation of soil, choosing the right location, & the selection of plants will be covered. $10/res., $15/non-res.

Wed., June 10, 11:15am-10pm
Middle Schoolers Trip to Great America
Deerfield: 847-945-0650 deerfieldparkdistrict.org
Buses depart from Shepard & Caruso Middle Schools & return to Jewett Park Commty. Center, 836 Jewett Park Dr. Ticket/bus transportation:$60; season pass-holders are welcome, & pay $30/transportation. Registration deadline is 6/5, 5pm. Ages 12-16.

Wed.'s, June 10, 17, 24, July 1,8,15, 22, 29 & Aug. 5,12,19, 1-3pm
Afternoon Adventures: Drop In Programs
Des Plaines: 847-391-5399 desplaineshistory.org
Des Plaines History Center, 781 Pearson St. A different activity and craft each session. $1/child non-members, members free. Ages 5-12. 6/17: Wisconsin Butter Churning, 7/8: California Gold Rush, 8/19: Alaska, Northern Lights.

Wed., Fri., & Sun, June 10-July 24, 1-4pm
Paper Mobiles: Drop-In Activities for Kids
Elmhurst: 630-834-0202 elmhurstartmuseum.org
Elmhurst Art Museum, 150 Cottage Hill Ave. Be inspired by Chicago artist Stacza Lipinski's painted paper installation. Create your own unique paper sculpture mobile to take home with you. Cost of this program is FREE with the price of Museum admission. Ages 10-13.

Wed., June 10, 6:30-7:30pm
Curator Tour
Elmhurst: 630-834-0202 elmhurstartmuseum.org
Elmhurst Art Museum, 150 Cottage Hill Ave. Tour current exhibitions, Ultra-Realistic Sculpture by Marc Sijan. FREE with Admission. Ages 15+.

Wed., June 10, 5:30pm open play, 6:30pm concert
Music at the Museum: The Lincoln Trio
Glenview: 847-832-6600 kohlchildrensmuseum.org
Kohl Children's Museum, 2100 Patriot Blvd. The Lincoln Trio is acclaimed for their clarity of sound, honesty of expression & captivating stage presence. The evening begins at 5:30 with a full hour of open-ended play in the Museum. $5/person ($4 for members).

Wed., June 10, 6-8pm
School's Out Canoe Crazy
Highland Park: 847-433.6901 pdhp.org
Skokie Lagoons. A fun-filled evening paddle for the whole family. Heller's Certified Staff will provide canoes, paddles, instruction, games & everything else needed. Max. of four family members per canoe. $25/40 (per person or $75/100 per canoe with family).

Wed.'s. June 10, 17, 24, July 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29, 9am-4pm
Wednesday Adventures
Naperville: 630-848.5000 napervilleparks.org
Cowlishaw School, 1212 Sanctuary Lane. How does a new summer adventure each Wed. sound? Adventure seekers will travel by school bus with Camp Quest campers. Admission, transportation & supervision are included.For ages 6-12. Registration required. $34-$51.

Wild Wednesdays
Oakbrook Terrace: 630-941-8747 obtpd.org
Lake View Nature Center, 17W063 Hodges Rd. We will share a story, send you on a hike, introduce you to an animal, & refresh you with old-fashioned lemonade. Borrow a fishing pole, rent a paddleboat, start your Passport to Adventure & enjoy the many nature center exhibits. No admission charge for individuals. Groups: $2/person. Must register 1 week prior. .

Wed., June 10, 8:30pm or dusk
Movies in the Park
Oswego: 630-554-3618 oswegoil.org
Village Green Park, 47 Monroe St. Shrek the Third. Rated PG. Free

Wed.'s, beginning June 10, 6:30-9pm
Wednesday Night Recession Special at Orbit Skate
Palatine: 847-394-9199 orbitskate.net
Orbit Skate Center, 615 S Consumers Ave $2.50 Admission or Bring the item listed on our website for free admission. Skate rental extra. Check the website for details.

Wed.'s, June 10, 17, 24 & July 1,8, noon-1pm
Noonie Times
Schaumburg: 847-490-7020 parkfun.com
Community Recreation Center, Outdoor Stage, 505 N Springinsguth Rd. Free entertainment. Bring a picnic blanket & lunch. Lunch will also be available for an additional fee. FREE.

Wed.,June 10, 10am-11am
Near to Nature
St. Charles: 847-741-8350
LeRoy Oakes Forest Preserve, Dean St., W. of Randall Rd. Children ages 3-6 & their caregivers are invited to explore the woods & fields with District naturalists. $5/child

Wed.'s, June 10 & 24, 6-8pm
Jumpstart Canoeing
Wheaton: 630- 871-2810 lincolnmarsh.org
Northside Park Canoe Shed, 1300 N. West St.Learn the basics of canoeing in one quick and easy lesson! Wear appropriate clothing.$9/person/res; $14/person/non-res.

Thur., June 11, 10-11am
Near to Nature
Batavia: 847-741-8350
Glenwood Forest Preserve , Rt. 25 S. of Wilson St. Get up close & personal with nature this summer! Children ages 3-6 & their caregivers are invited to explore the woods & fields with District naturalist. Nature hike, games & fun activities. $5/child

Thur., June 11, 6:30-8:30pm
Toddler Campfire
Carol Stream: 630-784-6100 csparks.org
Armstrong Park, 391 Illini Dr. Enjoy a fire, roast marshmallows, visit nature related activity stations & listen to stories. Geared toward the toddler s, but older children are welcome. Parents required to stay. $5/R family, $9/non-res. family.

Pals Around the Pond
Chicago: 773-755-5111, Ext. 6 naturemuseum.org
Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, 2430 N. Cannon Dr. For children ages 3-6. Leave the classroom behind & discover the exceptional elements that make the North Pond a unique treasure in the city. Per class: $7/member or $9/non-member. Ages 3-6.

Thur.'s, June 11, July 23, Aug. 6, 10-11 am
Big Bug LIttle Bug: Flower Fun
Downers Grove: 630-963-1300 dgparks.org
Lyman Woods, 901 31st St. Diff. topic each session. Bring your favorite Little Bug out for a nature adventure to learn about animals & plants in the forest. An adult & two siblings will enjoy a story, craft & hike together. Pre-registration required. $10/sibling pair, per session. Ages 5+.

Thur.'s, June 11, 18, 25, July 2, 9,16, 23, 30 & Aug. 6, 13, 2-4pm
Kids' Thursdays
Geneva: 630-377-6424 ppfv.org
Fabyan Villa Museum, Fabyan Forest Preserve, 1511 S. Batavia Ave. Award-winning, hands-on children's programs. Visitors encounter an opportunity to behold history as it flourishes before their eyes.The Fabyan Villa Museum is also open on Wed,'s from 1-4, & Sat/Sun from 1-4:30 for guided tours. $2/ person

Thur., June 11, 7pm
Historic Batavia Ave. Walking Tour
Geneva: 630-232-4951 genevahistorycenter.org
Cole Pope House, Kane County Government Center, 719 S. Batavia Ave. An exclusive guided walking tour of Batavia Ave. Features 11 homes of interest along the historic ave. Admission is $10.

Thur., June 11, 1-3pm
June Sneak Peak
Oak Brook: 630-645-9590 obparks.org
Oak Brook Family Rec Center, 1450 Forest Gate Rd. Take a Sneak Peak at some of our programs & events free of charge! Some of the activities are: free aerobics classes, fun water games in the Aquatic Center, Guitar Hero Tournament, Tae Kwon Do demonstration, Messy Mon.s Camp kids participation demonstration & more! Free.

Thur., June 11, 11-3pm
Illinois State Museum Free Family Event
Springfield: 217-782-7386 museum.state.il.us
Illinois State Museum, 502 S. Spring. Hats Off to Agriculture! Learn about agriculture from its beginnings in Native American culture, during Lincoln's time, & today. This program is in conjunction with the Lincoln's Illinois, Changes, & The Leaf & The Page exhibits. This event will include a beekeeping display, storytelling, & much more. Free.

Thur., June 11, 10am-2pm
After School Programs Fair
Wheeling 847-229-0400 nibblesplaycafe.com
Nibbles' Play Cafe, 13 Huntingon Lane. For kids entering kindergarten and elementary school, Nibbles will be having several representatives from after school enrichment programs providing information and sampling their programs!.

Picnic In The Park
Arlington Heights: ahpd.org
North School Park, Eastman St. & Arlington Heights Rd. All activities are free! Bring your own picnic or buy lunch from a food vendor. Moonwalks & inflatable slide, balloon sculptures, face painting, Park District information booth & free giveaways.

Fri., June 12, 7pm - ???
Girls' Night Out – Paint til you Faint!
Arlington Heights: 847-818-1313
thrownelementspottery.com
260 N Evergreen Ave Painting, food, music & fun! 1/2 off paint-your-own-pottery studio fees, free appetizers, BYOB. Call for reservations.

Fri., June 12, 7:30-9:30pm
Froggin' Under the Stars
Bartlett: 630-850-8110 dupageforest.com
James"Pate" Philip State Park, 2054 W. Stearns Rd. Take an outdoor hike to identify local frogs by their calls while learning about the spring stars and constellations. Dress to be outside. Reservations required and accepted beginning May 29. Free. Ages 5+

Fri., June 12, noon-5pm
Splash into Summer Open House
Cary: 847-639-6100 carypark.com
Community Center Pool, 255 Briargate Rd. Start your summer off with a big splash! Bring your family and friends to the Cary Park District's Community Pool and enjoy free afternoon admission.

Fri., June 12, 10am
Stroller Strut
Chicago: naturemuseum.org
Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, 2430 N. Cannon Dr. Guides Hikes geared toward caregivers & their wee ones who'd like to explore our parks & learn something new about natural areas right here in the city. Free with general admission for children 3 and under.

Fri., June 12, 3:30pm
Cookie Mouse Storytime
Deerfield: 847-945-3311 deerfieldlibrary.org
Deerfield Public Library, 920 Waukegan Rd. The star of If You Give A Mouse A Cookie by Laura Numeroff will visit the Library! Includes a brief storytime followed by a meet-&-greet with the costumed character & worksheets or crafts to do here or take home. Register in advance. FREE.

Fri.-Sat., June 12-13, 5:30pm-9am
SEASPAR Walk and Roll-A-Thon
Downers Grove: 630-960-7600 SEASPAR.org
Ebersold Park, 4500 Belmont Rd. Play miniature golf, picnic, & enjoy outdoor games including Frisbee, kickball, & more! Then, we'll move indoors for an evening of movies. A great opportunity for your child's first overnight experience. Breakfast is served on Sat. Ages 5-10. $84.

Fri., June 12 & 26, 6-9pm
Safari Club
Oakbrook Terrace: 630- 941-8747 obtpd.org/lvnc
Lake View Nature Center, 17 W 063 Hodges Rd. Investigate the world of nature. We will use activities, crafts, & stories & learn about the plants & animals all around us. A snack is provided. Must pre-register. $22 R/ $27 NR. Ages 4-10.

Whirlyball and a Movie
Palatine: 847-359-2400 buehlerymca.org
Buehler YMCA, 1400 W. Northwest Hwy. Combines lacrosse, hockey, & basketball with bumber cars. You'll use handheld scoops to propel wiffel balls at your score target while in bumber cars! All this excitement will be followed by a movie. Register by 6/5. $48 Member/$63 Non-Member. Ages 11-15.

Fri., June 12, 8pm
Family Movie Night - The Tale of Desperaux
Palatine: 847-991-0333
Fred P. Hall Amphitheater, 262 E. Palatine Rd. Desperaux's love for a princess leads him on adventures with an unhappy rat who schemes to leave his dungeon and a bumbling servant girl. Free.

Fri., June 12, 7-9pm
Family Campfire
Park Ridge: 847-692-5127 prparks.org
Wildwood Nature Center, 529 Forestview. Enjoy the peaceful night air while sitting around a warm fire listening to stories, singing songs, & making everyones favorite - S'mores! Pre-registration is required. $15 /families.

Fri.-Sun., June 12-14
Chicago Health Freedom Expo
Schaumburg: 888-658-3976 HealthFreedomExpo.com
Renaissance Schaumburg Hotel & Conv. Ctr., 1551 Thoreau Dr. Natural health event featuring outstanding speakers that will be discussing cutting-edge natural health discoveries & current legislative issues. Discover hundreds of products & services from 200 exhibitors. Learn how you can achieve maximum health!

June 12-14
Pride of the Fox RiverFest
St. Charles: 630-513-1836 prideofthefox.com
Downtown. Kick off summer with river-themed events at six venues along the banks of the Fox River. Signature events include nationally sanctioned Dragon Boat Racing, water ski shows & a 40-ton fanciful sand sculpture; ;plus two entertainment stages, beer garden, Dancing Under the Stars nights,& lots of Free activities especially for children.

Sat., June 13, July 11, July 25 & Aug. 8
Fishing Derbys
Bolingbrook: 630-739-1700 bolingbrookparks.org
Hidden Lakes, 475 Trout Farm Rd. 6/3 ;Dad & Me Derby @11am. July 11; Night Catfish Derby @ 6pm, July 25; Family Derby @6pm. Aug. 8; Night Catfish Derby @6pm. Free.

Sat.-Sun., June 13-14
2009 Grand Encampment
Bourbonnais: 815-933-9905 x231
Perry Farm Park, 459 N Kennedy Dr. The Northwest Territory Alliance is an American Revolutionary War reenactment organization located in the Midwestern United States.

Sat., June 13, 10:30am, 1:30pm, or 3pm
Wild World of Animals
Carol Stream: 630-653-0755 cslibrary.org
Carol Stream Public Library, 616 HiawathaDr. Masks, music, & marvelous storytelling combine to make this show special for families with children of all ages.Free. Ages 5-8.

Festival of Trees
Chicago: naturemuseum.org
Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, 2430 N. Cannon Dr. A celebration of Chicago's commitment to greening. Programs include drop-in workshops, critter connections, music, food, drinks, storytelling, a scavenger hunt, & tree exhibition construction. Free with general admission for children 3 & under

Sat., June 13, 11am start
Tinman Triathlon
Deerfield: 847-572-2611 deerfieldparkdistrict.org
Deerspring Park/Pool, 200 Deerfield Rd. Calling all experienced & budding triathletes.A 300-meter swim (six lengths in a 50-meter pool) followed by a six-mile bike course (helmet required) & a three-mile run. Registration on a first come/first served basis. $30R/$35NR by 6/10; $35R/$40/NR after 6/10. Ages 10+.

Sat., June 13, 7:30am–noon
Journal and Topics Lake Park Golf Open
Des Plaines: 847-391-5730 desplainesparks.org
Lake Park Golf Course, 1075 Howard Ave. 18 holes of golf, lunch & great prizes! $20/person Call to register.

Sat., June 13, 7:30-9 pm
Goodnight Twilight Hike: Froggie Chorus
Downers Grove: 630-963-9388 dgparks.org
Lyman Woods, 901 31st St. Hike the trails with a knowledgeable naturalist to explore the nighttime sky & search for nocturnal critters at night. Share stories around a roaring campfire complete with marshmallow roasting! Pre-registration required. $14/family

Sat.-Tue., June 13-16, 10am-5pm
Old World Wisconsin's Vintage Base Ball Home Opener & "W" Counties Appreciation Day
Eagle, WI: 262-594-6300 oldworldwisconsin.org
Old World Wisconsin, S103 W 37890 Hwy. 67. Enjoy base ball played by 1860s rules & tour the museum. Admission to the museum gets you into the game for free. Fees include an all-day tram transportation pass. Adults: $16; Children (5-17): $9; Pre-Schoolers (under 5): FREE. Family Pass: $43.

Sat.'s, June 13, July 11, & Aug. 8 , 11am -12:30pm
P.A.W.s. - Preschool Awareness World Series
Elgin: 847-741-6655 elginpublicmuseum.org
Elgin Public Museum, 225 Grand Blvd. We'll investigate different habitats each month. Stories, music, crafts & observation encourage greater understanding of this resilient plant. For ages 3-7 & their caregivers. Registration required. $10 per child, $8 members.

Sat.'s, June 13, 27, July 11, 25, Aug. 8, 22, 7-8:30am
Adventures in the Zoo
Elgin: 847-741-6655 elginpublicmuseum.org
Lords Park Zoo. 325 Hiawatha Dr. A different topic each session.Join museum staff in the Lords Park Zoo for this drop-in program to take a look at its most popular residence: the bison, deer & elk.

Sat., June 13, 9-11am
Special Kids Carnival Day
Elmhurst: 630-530-7700 specialkidsday.org
Park Ave. The Elmhurst Jaycee's Carnival will be open exclusively for special needs children & their families free of charge. Free.

Nature Nights
Glencoe: 847- 835-5440 chicagobotanic.org
Chicago Botanic Garden, 1000 Lake Cook Rd. Explore the Garden, & take part in a variety of engaging discovery-based activities. Activities include a short tram ride, planting a plant to take home & making S'mores over an open fire. Pre-registration required. Ages 4-10; adults must accompany children; $23.

Sat., June 13, 10-11am
Composting 101
Highland Park: 847-433.6901 pdhp.org
Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd. A composting class & demonstration that will focus on teaching sound composting techniques & clearing up the misconceptions about composting. Compost bins will be available for sale after the program for a discounted cost of $40 (cash or check). For ages 6+. $5/per person or family.

Sat., June 13, 10am-1pm
Annual Family Croquet Tournament
Hinsdale: 630-789-2600 hinsdalehistory.org
Historic Immanuel Hall, 302 S. Grant St. Learn a bit about the history of the game & enjoy the day with family! $5/couple. Ages 7+.

Sat.-Sun., June 13-14, 9am-5pm Sat, 12-5pm Sun
A Salute to Freedom
Kenosha, WI: 262-653-4141 thecivilwarmuseum.org
The Civil War Museum, 5400 First Ave. Celebrate the opening of the Civil War Museum & Lincoln's 200th birthday with a weekend of affordable family fun, live performances, programs, reeanctors, cannons, music, children's activities.

Sat.-Sun., June 13-14, 9am-4pm
21st Annual Dulcimer Festival
Morris: 708-331-6875 gwdf.org
Gebhard Woods State Park. Concerts, hands-on-workshops, old time dance, instrument crafters, childrens' activites & food vendors.

Sat., June 13,27, July 11, 25, Aug. 8, 22, 10:30am-noon
Tiny Great Performances®
Naperville: 630-637-8000 dupagechildrensmuseum.org
DuPage Children's Museum, 301 N. Washington St. Join the fun during this family-friendly, interactive musical performance that features percussion from around the world. Free for Museum members and/or with Museum admission.

Sat.-Sun., June 13-14, 20-21, 3pm-10:30am
Family Campout
Naperville: 630-848.5000 napervilleparks.org
Knoch Knolls Park, Knoch Knolls Rd., S. of Ring Rd. Pack up your family members ages 3+ & head out for a fun night of camping. Enjoy games, a campfire supper, storytelling, s'mores & more. Sun. includes a breakfast. Registration required. $19(R)/$29(N) /person

Sat.-Sun., June 13-14, 9am-5pm
Lincoln's Life at New Salem
Petersburg: 217-632-4000 lincolnsnewsalem.com
Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site, 15588 Histroy Lane. Learn the operation of the Saw & Grist Mill & hear the stories at the Denton Offut Store where Lincoln first clerked. Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site, is a reconstruction of the village where Abraham Lincoln spent his early adulthood. Suggested donation of $2/children, $4/adults, or $10/family. Free.

Sat., June 13
11th Annual Streamwood Stride
Streamwood: 630-483-3025 streamwoodparkdistrict.org
Bring the family together for exercise and breakfast. Our 11th Annual 10K run, 5K run/walk, 1 mile fun run and kiddie races are followed by a down home pancake breakfast. Breakfast and a t-shirt are included with the race and many raffles/awards. All Proceeds go to the Streamwood Park District Scholarship Fund, helping Streamwood families participate in Recreation. For more information check our website .

Sat., June 13, 9-11am
Tuna Kahuna
South Elgin: 847-622-0003 southelgin.com
Panton Mill Park, 10 N. Water St. Children 15 & under come fishing with your rods, reels &bait - Prizes Awarded. Free.

Sat., June 13, 10am-1pm
Tiny Tots Track Meet- Ages 3-6
St. Charles: 630-513-6200 stcparks.org
Reid Field at Thompson Middle School, 705 West Main St. All participants compete in their own age group & take part in all 4 running events & 1 field event. A semi-competitive format & all the kids are winners for participating! Must pre-register. $10/res., $15/non-res.

Sat., June 13, 1:30-3:30pm
Meet the Beekeepers
West Chicago: 630-876-5900 dupageforest.com
Kine Creek Farm, 1N600 County Farm Rd. Meet the beekeepers of Kline Creek Farm, & learn about the fascinating life of bees.Explore the farmstead for a trip back in time to life in the 1890s. Free.

Sun., June 14, noon-5pm
Arlington Height Historical Society House Walk & Tea
Arlington Heights: 847-255-1225
Arlington Heights Historical Museum, 110 W. Fremont St. Historical homes, renovated homes & new homes may be part of the tour. Complimentary tea from 1:30-4:30pm. Includes a chocolate dipping station, sandwiches & homemade sweets. $35/person day of

Sun., June 14, 11:30am-7pm
3rd Annual Daddy Olympics
Carol Stream: 630-784-6100 csparks.org
Coral Cove Water Park, 849 Lies Rd. Daddies better get their dad skills ready to come out & win prizes for you & your family. Dads will be put to the test with various events, from a Dirty Diaper Draw, Goofy Golf, & jumping through hoops. $5/res., $9/non-res.

Sun.-Fri., June 14-19
Community Discount/Free Week
Chicago: 312-939-2438 sheddaquarium.org
John G. Shedd Aquarium, 1200 s. Lake Shore Dr. Aquarium guests receive FREE general admission to the original galleries & discounts on admission passes, including entry to the award-winning Wild Reef and the re-imagined Oceanarium.

Sun., June 14, 10am-12pm
Flower Power Landscapes
Chicago: 312-742-8497 millenniumpark.org
Chicago Cultural Center, 78 E. Washington St. Explore color & textures in the garden in this class co-hosted by The Lurie Garden & The Art Institute of Chicago. Then experiment with oil pastels to create a landscape drawing inspired by master paintings in the Art Institute's collection. Free. Ages 6+.

32nd Annual 5 & 10 Miler
Downers Grove: 630-960-7250 dgparks.org
Lincoln Center, 935 Maple Ave. Annual run through the scenic residential streets of Downers Grove. The gently rolling, USATF certified five-mile course is well marked & monitored. The deadline for pre-race registration is 6/10 at 4pm. Various Fees.

Sun., June 14, 10-11am
Reptilian Rendezvous
Gilberts: 847-741-8350
Maegher Forest Preserve. Naturalist Ben Katzen will lead this hike in search of legless creatures slithering about. We'll provide background information on the diversity of reptiles in Illinois & discuss the importance of habitat for native snakes. Free.

Sun., June 14, 8:30am -noon
5th Annual 5K Run & Walk for Down Syndrome
Hoffman Estates: 847-885-7529 gigisplayhouse.org
Sears Center. With Ronald McDonalds magic show, bounce houses, team prizes & more, this event is truly for the whole family! Bring your friends, get a team together & register. All proceeds benefit GiGi's Playhouse, Down syndrome awareness centers & provide funding for our FREE educational & theraputic programming.

Sun., June 14, 9am registration
Blue Knights IL XII Challenge Run
Libertyville: 847-362-4636 bkil12yelbik@comcast.net
Lambs Farm, 14245 W. Rockland Rd. Join the Blue Knights IL XII for a 75-mile poker run through N. Lake County to benefit Lambs Farm. Coffee & donuts provided. Concludes with food, door prizes, raffle prizes & a 50/50 drawing. $15/$20 at the door

Sun., June 14, 6pm
Concert In The Park with Middle 8
Mt. Prospect: 847-392-2277 capannaris.com
Capannari Ice Cream, 10 S. Pine. Bring your blanket, picnic basket and enjoy a wonderful evening with great music! Free.

Sun., June 14, 9am-4pm
Downtown Redevelopment Car Show
Romeoville: 815-886-6222
Romeoville Recreation Center, 900 W. Romeo Rd. Whether you have a car to enter or just want to enjoy the cars as a spectator you'll have a great time. Concessions will be available & entertainment includes Big Wheel & Matchbox Derby Races, Music, & inflatables provided by Party Hoppers. .

Mon., June 15, 4:15-5:15pm
Book Voyagers: Hooray for Dads!
Mount Prospect: 847-253-5675 mppl.org/events
Mount Prospect Public Library, 10 S. Emerson St. Join us as we share stories about your favorite guy, Dad. We'll watch a video, have a snack, & make a craft for your dad. Must pre-register. Ages 6-9.

Mon.'s, June 15, 29, July 6,13,20, 2pm
Familypalooza!
Mundelein: 847-918-3218 fremontlibrary.org
Fremont Public Library, 1170 N. Midlothian Rd. For all ages. Ages 8 & younger must be w/adult. Family concerts by excellent performers. Register online, call or stop at the Youth Services desk Free.

Mon.'s, June 15, July 13, Aug. 17, begins at dusk
Movie in the Park
Wheeling: 847-465.3333 wheelingparkdistrict.com
Pleasant Run Park, 333 W. Dundee Rd. Bring your blankets & lawn chairs & enjoy a showing of Madagascar 2: Escape to Africa. (Rain date: 6/22.) No registration required. Free

Ongoing June 16-Aug. 4, 5:15-7:30pm
Pinto Baseball for ages 5-10
Buffalo Grove: 224-543-7006 gojcc.org
Jacob Duman JCC @ Woodland Commons, 370 Half Day Rd. The first few weeks of the season players hit from a batting tee & then coaches introduce live pitching. $82.40/mbr., $96.82/Non-member.

Ongoing June 16-July 20, 10am & 1pm
Summer Shows for Young Audiences-Charlotte's Web
Waukegan: 847-360-4740 jackbennycenter.org
Waukegan, 39 Jack Benny Dr. Professional theatre for children. Call for ticket reservations. Group rates are available. $6/person

Wed.-Thur.'s, June 17-18, 24-25, July 8-9, 15-16, 22-23, 29-30, Aug. 5-6, 12-13, 10am-noon
Kid's Rule Summer Series
Addison, 1555 West Lake St.: 630-932-4572
Chicago Heights, 1301 Hilltop Ave.: 708-747-0800
Elgin, 111 S. Randall Rd.: 847-622-1000
Gurnee, 6144 Grand Ave.: 847-855-9940
Orland Park, 16350 S. LaGrange Rd.: 708-873-1900
Marcus Cinema Theatres. Don't miss our Kid's Rule Summer Series of family-friendly movies at a great price this summer! **All seats are only $3;includes a free bag of popcorn!**

Wed.-Thur., June 17-18, 10am-12pm
Go Fishing Camp
Barrington: 847-381-6592 fdpcc.com
Crabtree Nature Center, 3 Stover Rd. Learn about native fish through fun activities & demonstrations. We will learn the basics of fishing and go fishing of coursre! Call to register. Free. Ages 8-12.

Wed., June 17, 4-7pm
Busy Brains at the Grayslake Farmer's Market
Grayslake: 224-381-0138 busybrains.org
Downtown. Busy Brains will offer traveling exhibits for children up to age 10 in art, science and humanities. Exhibits also available for birthday parties and corporate events. Free.

Wed., June 17, 1:15-4:30pm
Summer Kickoff Pool Party
McHenry: 815 363-2160
Knox Park Pool, 201 S. Green St. Kick off the summer at Knox Park Pool with fun music from DJ Don of Mobile Mix Entertainment. Games with prizes for all ages. Bring the kids for a great day at the pool. $5/person - Pool Pass Holders FREE.

Wed., June 17, noon-6:30pm
18th Annual Summer Kickoff & Fishing Derby
Oakbrook Terrace: 630- 620-4500 nedsra.org
Terrace View Park, 17 W 063 Hodges Rd. Join NEDSRA and the Oakbrook Terrace Park District for this annual, favorite event for all ages and abilities! Sign up today because space is limited.Pre-registration is required by 6/1. Free, but pre-registration is required.

Wed.'s, June 17, July 15, 8:45pm
Movies In The Park
Oakbrook Terrace: 630- 627-6100 obtpd.org
Heritage Park, 1 S 325 Ardmore Ave. Watch the movie, Kung Fu Panda (rated PG), on an outdoor, 13 x 17 big screen. Concessions available. Bring your blanket or a lawn chair to sit on. In case of inclement weather, the movie will be shown indoors in the Mario Parente Theater. Event is free to the public.

Wed., June 17, dusk
Movies in the Park
Park Ridge: 847-692-5127 prparks.org
Centennial Park, 100 S Western. Watch "The Tale of Despereaux" under the stars. Lawn Chairs & blankets are welcome. Ice cream, popcorn, pizza & hot dogs will be available for purchase. Free.

Wed., June 17, 10-11am
Dinosaur Tales
Wauconda: 847-968-3400
LakeCountyDiscoveryMuseum.org
Lake County Discovery Museum, 27277 N. Forest Preserve Rd. Discover the job of a paleontologist & what makes an animal a dinosaur through a story & hands-on activities. Registration required. Visit www.lcfpd.org or call 847-968-3321 to register.

Ongoing June 17-21
26th Annual Woodridge Jubilee
Woodridge: 630-353-3400 woodridgeparks.org
Town Centre, 2600 Center Dr. Carnival rides for all ages. On Thur., Fri., & Sat. evenings, enjoy live bands, delicious food, beverages, & bingo. 6/20: free children's activities starting at noon & then end the night with the fireworks spectacular. Free Admission.

Wed., June 17, 7-8:30pm
Rural Electrification, 1938
Woodstock:
Perkins Hall, Garden Valley & Franklinville Rd.'s. Perkins Hall Players perform "Rural Electrification-1938" at Perkins Hall. Period clothing admired. Free admission. Light refreshments. Free. Ages 12+.

Daily, June 18-Aug. 14, 10am
Summer Open Dress-up
Algonquin: 815-354-2773
My Secret Garden, 402 S. Main St. Girls can come & enjoy dress-up, glamour make-up, hair up-do's and a garden tea party! Let your little girl be treated like a princess for the day! We are located in a completely renovated 1882 Victorian home in downtown A lgonquin.

Thur., June 18, July 16, & Aug. 20, movie begins at dusk
Geneva Park District Movie in the Park
Geneva: 630-232-4542 genevaparks.org
Moore Park. Bring your chairs and/or blanket to sit out on. Concessions will be available for purchase. All movies are FREE. Held rain or shine. Rain location:Geneva Community Center. June 18/Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa. July 16/High School Musical 3 at Sunset Park. August 20/WALL-E at Wheeler Park.

Ongoing June 18-21,10am-11pm
Libertyville Days Festival
Libertyville: libciviccenter.org
135 W Church St. Enjoy a variety of activities including rides, Idol Contests, Cookie &Pie Bake Off.

Kids Klub
Lombard: 630-629-0886 yorkcenterparaks.org
York Center Park District, 1609 S. Luther Ave. Interactive children shows with a variety of well-known acts will perform. Bring a lawn chair of blanket to our back patio/grass area. Refreshments & food available for purchase. FREE admission.

Thur., June 18 or July 16, 4-6pm
Dutch Oven Workshop
Lombard: 630-629-1885 lombardhistory.org
Sheldon Peck Homstead, 355 E. Parkside. Learn more about cast-iron cooking over an open fire. Ingredients provided for a dutch oven meal including: beef, vegetables, bread dough, & dessert. $10/member, $15/non-member. Ages 12+. Must pre-register.

Thur.'s, June 18-July 30, Concert at 7pm, Movies at dusk
Music, Movies & More
Mount Prospect: 847-632-9333 mppd.org
Lions Memorial Park, 411 S. Maple. FREE concert & FREE movie. There'll be a bouncy inflatable for the little ones & make-it-take-it crafts (craft fee applies). Family picnic meal deal/$12. Inclement weather:concert & movies held indoors.

Thur.'s, June 18, July 16 & Aug. 20, 5-7pm
Third Thursday
Naperville: 630-637-8000 x4800
dupagechildrensmuseum.org
DuPage Children's Museum, 301 N. Washington St. For families of children with autism spectrum disorder & visual & mobility impairments. Photo books & other aids are available to help structure your experience. Open to the general public during this time.Free with Museum Admission.

Thur.'s, June 18, July 16 & Aug. 13, 7-8pm
Rabbit Tales
Oakbrook Terrace: 630-941-8747 obtpd.org
Lake View Nature Center, 17W063 Hodges Rd. See what the Nature Center animals do at night. Youth may attend in their pajamas to listen to nature stories & participate in a related activity or craft. Parent must accompany child. $5. Ages 3+..

Thur., June 18, 6:30pm
Canine Carnival
Palatine: 847-991-0333
Fred P. Hall Amphitheater, 262 E. Palatine Rd. A variety of fun activities for your dog! $5 per dog

Thur.'s, June 18, July 23, Aug. 13, 7-10:30pm
Night Out For Teens
South Barrington: 847-381-7515 sbpd.net
S. Barrington Community Center, 3 Tennis Club Ln. The evening's schedule will include: 7-8pm Swimming. 8:15-9pm Games in the Gym. 9-10:30pm Movie and Pizza. Each week, participants should meet at the recreation center desk at 6:45pm for check-in. $12(R) / $15(NR). Ages 13-18

Fri., June 19, 6:30pm
Nights in the Wild
Brookfield: 708-688-8355 czs.org
Brookfield Zoo, 3300 S. Golf Rd. Experience a unique dinner on the wild side, beginning at 6:30pm with hors d'oeuvres & cocktails. View a variety of animals & learn some interesting facts from a zookeeper, then, go to either Bocaditos restaurant or The Pavilions, the zoo's outdoor venue, for a themed all-you-can-eat buffet.

Mercury's Wacky Pirate Cruise
Chicago: 312-332-1353 wackypiratecruise.com
Shoving off from Michigan Avenue & Wacker Drive, 3 blocks N. of Millennium Park. Join Buccaneer Bob for a journey along Chicago's River & Lakefornt while having fun with Chicago's only Wacky Pirate! Enjoy our easy to understand 90 min. Urban Adventure Tour.

Fri.'s, June 19 & July 17, 6pm
YMCA Family Night
Downers Grove: 630-968-8400 indianboundaryymca.org
Indian Boundary YMCA, 711 59th St. Monthly special themed Family Night entitled "Family Luau" that include a wide variety of special activities. Free To Members Only.

Fri.-Sun., June 19-21
Old Canal Days Weekend
Lockport: 815-838-4744 lockportcanaldays.com
Downtown. Come pay tribute to the I &M Canal & Lockport, the original headquarters for the Canal Commission. A perfect weekend awaits you & your family as you experience history at the local museums & enjoy quality food & family entertainment.

Fri., June 19, 6-9pm
Knolls Community Park Grand Opening
Lombard: 630-629-0886 yorkcenterparks.org
Knolls Community Park, 1416 S. Meyers Rd. How does a night of bocce ball, bags, music, $1 food specials, fireworks, & relaxation sound? There will also be a trackless train, slide & much more to ensure an unforgettable night for all. FREE.

Fri., June 19, 11:30am-5pm
Create-a-Craft: Decorate for Dad!
Mount Prospect: 847/253-5675 mppl.org
Mount Prospect Public Library, 10 S, Emerson. Give Dad a unique "made-with-love" gift. Children under age 9 must be accompanied by an adult. No registration is necessary; just drop in. Free

Fri., June 19, 4-5 yrs.; 9:15-10:30am, Grades 1-4, 11am-12:15pm
Naperville Park District's Friday Flings
Naperville: 630-848.5000 napervilleparks.org
Riverwalk Grand Pavilion, W. of Centennial Beach. Sports & Games Galore. The first of five Friday Flings, children will enjoy a variety of outdoor games. Registration required. $10(R)/$15(N). Ages 4-9.

Fri.-Sun., June 19-21, 5-10pm Fri, 11am-10pm Sat, 11am-5:30pm Sun
Naper Days
Naperville: 630-420-6010 naperdays.org
Naper Settlement, 523 s. Webster St. The Smithereens & Matthew Sweet will be performing on the Main Stage. The Smithereens: 8pm, Fri, 6/19. Matthew Sweet: 8pm Sat., 6/20. Tickets are $5 until 6pm, $10 after 6pm on Fri. & Sat. Tickets available on-line.

Fri.-Sun., June 19-21, 5:30-8pm
PrairieFest
Oswego: 630-896-2016 prairiefest.com
71 Plank Rd. You can enjoy main- stage & roving entertainment, craft & business expo. Windy City Amusements, pony rides, petting zoos, food vendors. Parade, car shows, raft races & 5K run.

Laser Quest and a Movie
Palatine: 847-359-2400 buehlerymca.org
Buehler YMCA, 1400 W. Northwest Hwy. Rally up with other teens to play various laser tag games. We will also see a movie in Elk Grove Village. Register by 6/12 to guarantee your spot! $34 Member / $44 Non-Member. Ages 11-15.

Fri., June 19, 7:30pm
Show of Shows - Drum and Bugle Corps Competition
Rockford: 815-226-2835 regiment.org
Boylan High School, 4000 Saint Francis Dr. See some of the best drum & bugle corps in the world. Along with Rockford's own Phantom Regiment, this year's lineup includes Midwest rivals Bluecoats & the Cavaliers. $15-$55.

Fri., June 19, 11am-3:30pm
Mythbusting
Rockford: 815-963-6769 discoverymuseum.org
Discovery Center Museum, 711 N. Main St. Separate science fact from fiction as we test which way water spirals down the drain, explore the true shape of raindrops, dare lightning to strike twice, & more!Included w/admission: $6/adult, $5/child, Free/ages under 2 & members.

Fri.-Sun., June 19-21, 8am-4pm
More on 34- Miles and Miles of Sales
Sandwich: 815-454-2502
From Sandwich to Galesburg on U.s. Hwy. 34, take advantage of great bargains, treasures, antiques and collectibles and more.

Fri., June 19, 5:30 PM
Yappy Hour
Schaumburg: 847- 985-2143 parkfun.com
Meineke Park, 220 E. Weathersfield Way. Bring your cuddly canine! A DJ, dog agility course, craft area for kids & special dog events are all part of the early evening fun. A copy of your dog's shot records must be brought to the event. Dogs admitted Free! $12/res., $18/non-res. Children (3-17) are $3/$5.

Fri., June 19, 6:30-8pm
Father's Day Pizza & Play
South Barrington: 847-381-7515 sbpd.net
South Barrington Community Center, 3 Tennis Club Lane. Calling all Fathers & Sons! A great evening of action in the gym. Enjoy games like dodgeball, basketball & more! Pizza for everyone! Uncles & Grandfathers are welcome too! $15(R) / $20(NR). Ages 6-12

Fri., June 19, Dusk
Movie in the Park
Springfield: 217-544-1751 springfieldparks.org
Springfield Park District, Comer Cox Park. This family oriented event is always popular an is completely FREE to all participants. Shaved ice and golw sticks will be available to purchase. We encourage you to bring a lawn chair or blanket. Movie will be Kung-Fu Panda. Free.

Fri.'s, June 19-Aug. 21, 7-9 pm
Summer Open Gym
Westmont: 630-325-3333 igigymnastics.com
Illinois Gymnastics Institute (IGI), 145 Plaza Dr. We have open gym every Friday night. Open gyms are subject to cancellation without notification. Please call or check our website for additional information.$8/member, $10/non-member.

Herrick Lake Forest Preserve
Wheaton: 630-933-7248 dupageforest.com
Intersection of Butterfield Rd. & Herrick Rd. Learn fish ecology & identification as well as techniques & regulations. Bring a pole & gear if you have it, some equipment may be available for loan. Fishing license not required to participate in class. Reservations required as of 6/5. Free, ages 5+.

Sat.'s, June 20 & Aug. 1, 9am-noon
Fishing Day & Picnic
Aurora: 630-966-4527 foxvalleyparkdistrict.org
Blackberry Farm, 100 S. Barnes Rd. Enjoy a picnic lunch in the shady picnic area. Afterward, visit animals or take a ride on the train. A box lunch, drink & fishing bait provided. If possible, bring your own fishing pole. $8/res., $11/non-res.

Sat., June 20, 10am-1pm
Bike Path Kick-off
Barrington: 847-381-6592 fdpcc.com
Crabtree Nature Center, 3 Stover Rd. Bike ride on one of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County's newest trails! Whole Foods will fuel you up. REI has a Bike Safety Rodeo for kids & bike safety checks for adults. Join us for a mile or the full nine miles. Free.

Sat.-Sun., June 20-21, 5pm-8:30am
Family Campout
Barrington: 847-381-0687 barringtonparkdistrict.org
Citizens Park, 511 Lake Zurich Rd. Geared towards novice campers who want to sleep outdoors in a camp setting, but are not ready to rough the wilderness. The Park will provide dinner, a variety games, family activities and smores around the fire. $70/$87 family of 4.

Sat., June 20, 10am-1pm
Kids Outdoor Flea Market
Carol Stream: 630-784-6100 csparks.org
Armstrong Park, 391 Illini Dr. Your old toys & games might become someone else's treasures. Reserve a table & make extra money. Reservation fee includes table, chair & advertisement. A parent/adult must stay with seller at all times. $3 res., $5 non-res. Ages 5+.

Sat., June 20, 7pm
Hidden Star Wars
Deerfield: 847-945-3311 deerfieldlibrary.org
Deerfield Public Library, 920 Waukegan Rd. A thrilling insider's peek at one of the most treasured film series in the galaxy. Enjoy inside jokes, references to other Star Wars films, & dozens of exciting moments from all the films in the series. For fans of all ages. FREE

Sat.'s, June 20, July 18, Aug. 22, Sept.19, Oct. 10, 7-11pm
Late Nite in the Park
Des Plaines: 847-391-5733 desplainesparks.org
Mountain View Adventure Center. Grades 5-10. Friends meet for an evening of adult supervised recreational fun. Skate Park, Batting Cages, Mini Golf, Concerts, Concessions. $5/general admission at door. $10/unlimited Golf & Batting Cages

Sat., June 20, noon-5pm
Hidden Oaks Nature Center Grand Opening!
Bolingbrook: 630-739-2600 www.bolingbrookparks.org
Hidden Oaks Nature Center, 419 Trout Farm Rd. Introducing Chicagoland's newest green nature center. Immerse yourself in nature as you explore Hidden Oaks natural areas. Join us for the grand opening celebration!

Sat.'s, June 20 & 27, 7-9pm
Lyman Woods Campout
Downers Grove: 630-963-1300 dgparks.org
Lyman Woods, 901 31st St. Take a guided night hike looking & listening for animals in the night, try your hand at campfire cooking, search for stars in the sky, & make a campout craft! After the program, take your new camping know-how home & sleep under the stars in your own backyard! Pre-registration is required. $20/family

Sat., June 20, 9am-6pm
Lake Geneva Boat Tour
Downers Grove: 630-960-7600 SEASPAR.org
Lake Geneva, WI. Cruise the scenic Geneva Lake. The upper deck offers open air seating so you can feel the wind in your hair as you take in the sites. For those not so wind driven, there is a climate controlled lower deck that offers views just as picturesque. Lunch is included. Ages 16+. $58.

Sat.-Sun., June 20-21, 7pm -9am
Summer Solstice Campout
Elgin: 847-741-6655 elginpublicmuseum.org
Lords Park Zoo, 325 Hiawatha Dr. The shortest night in the northern hemisphere. Join us around a glowing campfire to learn about the astronomical significance of the summer solstice, along with tales of long ago cultures. Limited space, so register by 6/15. $30/family.

Sat., June 20, 7am-9pm
Geode Collecting Field Trip
Elmhurst: 630-833-1616
Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art, 220 Cottage Hill. Collect geodes near the Mississippi River in IL. A geode cracker will be on hand to open geodes in the quarry. Trip fees include tour guides, collecting & cracking fees & motor coach. Ages 8+. $105/person. Reservations required.

Sat., June 20, 10am-2pm
Environmental Extravaganza
Elmhurst: 630- 993-8925 epd.org
Eldridge Park, 363 Commonwealth Ln. Explore the wonders of nature at Eldridge Park with nature-related activities, games, interactive events and entertainment. Free.

Sat., June 20, 6pm
Summer Extravaganza
Elmhurst: 630-617-3033 elmhurst.edu
Elmhurst College Mall, 190 Prospect. A free outdoor concert. This year's concert features three former members of Maynard Ferguson's band accompanied by the Elmhurst College Jazz Band. Picnics & lawn chairs are welcome.

Sat., June 20, 8am-1pm
Wagner Farm's 8th Annual Dairy Breakfast
Glenview: 847-657-1506 glenviewparks.org
1510 Wagner Rd. Enjoy a delicious farm style breakfast. Farm tours, demonstrations, hay rides & more. Purchase tickets at the door.

Woofstock
Libertyville: 847-990-3750 lambsfarm.org
Lambs Farm, 14245 W. Rockland Rd. Bring your pet & enjoy activities for you &"man's best friend". Try your hand at arts & crafts, visit vendors & participate in the Canine Couture Fashion Show. Free admission.

Sat., June 20, 12pm - 4pm
Crocodile Pie at Libertyville Days
Libertyville: 847-362-8766 crocodilepie.com
Crocodile Pie Children's Books & More, 866 S. Milwaukee Ave. Join us for activities, great deals, crafts, special story-time characters & more! Free.

Sat.-Sun., June 20-21, 10am-4pm
Animal Adventure Weekend
Lisle: 630-968-0074 mortonarb.org
The Morton Arboretum, 4100 IL-53. Interesting and fun animal related activities all weekend long. Check the website for a full list of events. $11/adult, ages 18-64$10/senior, ages 65+, $8/child , ages 2-17, under age 2 is free. Parking is free.

Sat., June 20, 10am start
Freedom Run Return to the Wall
Marseilles: 815-795-2133 ilfreedomrun.org
Riverside Plaza. Annual motorcycle run to the Middle Eastern Conflict Memorial Wall for a patriotic ceremony, followed by food, live music and more. Free.

Sat., June 20, 2-10pm
Mount Prospect Blues on the Green Bluesfest
Mount Prospect: 847-392-6000
experiencemountprospect.org
Emerson St. & Busse Ave. Last year's first ever Blues Fest was a huge success and we are ready to do it again! Enjoy some of the best Blues artists in the Chicago area. Sponsored by Blues Bar. Free.

Sat., June 20, 9-9:45am ages 4-6, 12:30-2pm ages 7-10
Naperville Park District's Safe Kids At Home and Away
Naperville: 630-848.5000 napervilleparks.org
The Barn Recreation Center, Room C, 421 W. Martin Ave. Ages 4-6: Includes what to do in an emergency & how to deal with strangers. Children also will be taught bicycle, skateboard, in-line skating, water safety & playground rules.$13(R)/$20. Ages 7-10: Children will learn first aid & simple rules to keep them safe in situations both at home & in public. $19(R)/$29.

Sat., June 20, 9am-4pm
American Red Cross Babysitting Training
Oakbrook Terrace: 630- 627-6100 obtpd.org
Heritage Park At Oakbrook Terrace Park District, 1 S 325 Ardmore Ave. Provides individuals ages 11-15 with the information & skills necessary to provide safe & responsible care for children in the absence of parents or adult guardians. $100 R/$105 NR.

Sat.-Sun., June 20-21, 11am-5pm
1900 America Chautauqua
Rockford: 815-397-9112 midwayvillage.com
Midway Village Museum,6799 Guilford Rd. The event will feature the portrayal of famous people from history & a look at the culture from the year 1900. Entertainment for visitors to enjoy includes:. Buffalo Bill's Wild West show, Live period melodramas , Antique high-wheel bicycle demonstrations & more. $8/adult, $4/ ages 3-17. Museum Members are free.

Kenosha County Dairy Breakfast
Salem, WI: 262-206-8149
Dale and Richard Sperlein Farm, 25222 52nd St. Big farm breakfast, milking demonstrations, samples of dairy products, children's games, merchandise and more! Fun for the whole family! $6/person, ages 6 & under are free.

Sat., June 20, 9am
Father's Day Fishing Derby
Schaumburg: 847- 490-7020 parkfun.com
Volkening Lake, 900 W. Schaumburg Rd. Enjoy a day of fishing, food & fun. Everyone will get a hot dog, chips and can of pop for lunch. Participants must bring their own poles and bait. Prizes will be awarded to each age group. $6/res., $9/non-res. for preregistration. Day-of registration is $9/$13.

Sat., June 20, 8-10am
Breakfast with the Animals at Henson Robinson Zoo
Springfield: 217-753-6217 hensonrobinsonzoo.org
Henson Robinson Zoo, 1100 East Lake Dr. Visitors will enjoy delicious breakfast foods while observing the animals receiving breakfast treats. Pre-registration and payment required. $7/adult,$5/child, free ages 2 & under. S.

Sat., June 20, 10am-12pm
Hook, Line and Sinker Fishing Derby For All Ages
St. Charles: 630-513-6200 stcparks.org
Pottawatomie Park, 8 North Ave. Bring your rods & bait to fish for the biggest & best catch in the Fox River. Receive a free round at River View Miniature Golf. call to register . $6 res./ $9 non-res.

Sat., June 20, sign up by noon, 1pm 12 & under, 1:30pm 13+
Mt. St. Mary Skate Park Bash
St. Charles: 630-513-6200 stcparks.org
Mt. St. Mary Park, At Rte 31 & Prairie St. Skate challenge & concert! At 1pm, ages 12 & under show off their stunts. At 1:30pm, all other participants will compete in a skating showcase. Enjoy music from a local band who will wrap up this fantastic day!! $5

Sat., June 20, 11am-9pm
VIlla Park Summerfest
Villa Park: villaparksummerfest.com
Attractions, Live music, Art &Craft Fair, Food, Games, Beer tent & more! More info www.villaparksummerfest.com. Free admission.

Sat., June 20, 8am-12pm
19th Annual Fish-O-Rama
Wheaton: 630- 871-2810 lincolnmarsh.org
Elliot Lake, Prairie Ave. Kids 15 & under, w/adult, are invited to participate in open fishing. Participants 16-64 must have a valid Illinois fishing license. A catch & release event. You must sign a waiver at the event to participate. Free.

Sun., June 21, 9:30-11:30am
Father's Day Fishing Derby
Carol Stream: 630-784-6100 csparks.org
Armstrong Park, 391 Illini Dr. A morning filled with food, fish & fun! Prizes will be awarded. Bring your own fishing poles, bait, hooks. We ask participants to practice "catch &release". No admission charge for Dads. $5 res., $9 non-res.

Sun., June 21
Father's Day Barbecue
Brookfield Zoo: 708-688-8355 www.BrookfieldZoo.org
Brookfield Zoo, First & 31st. Make Dad's special day a memorable one. Enjoy a relaxing all-you-can-eat barbecue held at noon in The Pavilions, followed by a day at the zoo. The cost is $47 for adults and $33 for children 3-11 ($37 & $27 for zoo members). Children 2 & under eat for free. Seating is limited, so visit www.CZS.org or call the Catered Events Department at (708) 688-8355 to make reservations or for further information.

Sun., June 21, 1:30-3pm
Cook with Dad
Glenview: 847-751-9474
Young Chefs Academy. Create some backyard favorites with Dad on his special day! Enjoy marinated sausage kabobs, root beer cake & more. Workshop: $35/pair, $10 add'l child.

Sun.'s, June 21 & July 26 & Aug. 16, 5pm
Family Golf Night
Highland Park: 847-432-7140 pdhp.org
Sunset Valley Golf Course, 1390 Sunset Rd. Bring the family for a non-competitive night hitting the links. Reservations taken on the Thur. prior to the Family Golf Night. Free.

Sun., June 21, 10am, noon & 2pm seatings
Father's Day Brunch
Libertyville: 847-362-5050 lambsfarm.org
Lambs Farm, 14245 W. Rockland Rd. Start with breakfast items & then enjoy our signature favorites including country fried chicken. Finish your meal with desserts made on campus by our participants. $20.95/adult, $9.95/children.

Sun., June 21, 11:30 am - 7 pm
Father's Day
Lombard: 630-627-6127 lombardparks.com
Paradise Bay Water Park, 433 E. St. Charles Rd. It's Dad's day, bring him to the water park for a day of fun. Father's are free when accompanied by their children.

Sun., June 21
41st Father's Day Classic Car Show
Oak Brook: 630-573-0700 oakbrookcenter.com
Oakbrook Center, 22nd St. & Route 83. Over 100 antique, classic, & vintage automobiles will be on display.

Sun., June 21, 1pm
Windy City Harmonica Club
Oak Brook: 630-655-2090 grauemill.org
Graue Mill and Museum, 3800 York Rd. Performing music from Blues to Bach the group showcases both the 1 inch long "Little Lady" harmonica & the 2 foot long Chord Harmonica. Bring along a blanket or chair. Free.

Sun., June 21, 10am-6 pm
Father's Day at Henson Robinson Zoo
Springfield: 217-753-6217 hensonrobinsonzoo.org
Henson Robinson Zoo, 1100 East Lake Dr. Children can make a gift for their Dad. Dads get in free with a paid child. Children 2 &under are Free, ages 3-12 $2.25, $4/ages 13-61, Seniors (62 &over)-$2.50.

Father's Day
Vernon Hills: 847-996-6800 vhparkdistrict.org
Vernon Hills Park District's Family Aquatic Center, 635 Aspen Dr. All fathers are admitted FREE on their special day; or, if they are season pass holders, they may instead receive a coupon for a frozen ice at the Backyard Grille concession stand.

Sun., June 21, 9-11am
Father's Day Brunch
Wheeling 847-229-0400 nibblesplaycafe.com
13 Huntingon Lane. Bring Dad for a great open buffet brunch, music & a relaxing morning with the family. $10/person. Reservations recommended. .

Mon., June 22, Noon
11th Annual Bob Nelson Junior Golf Tournament
Downers Grove: 630-963-1306 dgparks.org
Downers Grove Park District Golf Course, 2420 Haddow Ave. Registration includes greens fee, small bucket of range balls, tee gift, prizes & lunch consisting of a hot dog, chips & soft drink. Registration deadline is 6/14. $7. Ages 10-16

Mon., June 22, 4-10pm
Battle of the Bands
Geneva: 630-232-4542 genevaparks.org
Downtown Geneva on the 3rd St. Stage, Rt. 38. All bands must be pre-registered, $25/resident band, $35/ non-resident band.

Mon., June 22, 1-2pm
Chat & Chew: MVP:*Magellan Voyage Project by Douglas Evans
Mount Prospect: 847-253-5675 mppl.org
Mount Prospect Public Library, 10 s. Emerson St. Chew on some good food while chatting about a great book! Registration is required. Ages 9-12.

Mon.-Thur., June 22-25, 9am-11:30am
Make it Move
Naperville: 630-637-8000 dupagechildrensmuseum.org
DuPage Children's Museum, 301 N. Washington St. Children will make things move this week, exploring the power of wheels and gears. Activities will include painting with cars, Ramps & Rollers challenges, building wheeled creations & more. Advance registration required; $159 member/$189 nonmember. Ages 3-5.

Mon.-Thur., June 22-25, 9:30am-10:30am
Computer Explorers
Oakbrook Terrace: 630- 627-6100 obtpd.org
Heritage Park At Oakbrook Terrace Park District, 1 S 325 Ardmore Ave. Fun and educational technology classes to children ages 3+ throughout the Chicago area. Our classes allow students to learn about technology in unique and creative ways. $42 R/$47 NR..

Mon.-Thur., June 22-25, 1:30-3:30pm
Fun-Gineering With Simple Machines
Wheaton: 630-690-4880
Wheaton Park District, 1777 S. Blanchard Rd. Using Lego™ Educational kits, budding engineers will learn about simple machines by building models of real-life devices such as a folding lawn chair, a car, drawbridge or a conveyor belt. 2 children per LEGO® kit. Call to register.

Tues. - Sun., June 23-June 28
60th Annual Midsommar Swedish Days Festival
Geneva: 630-232-6060
www.genevachamber.com/festivals.html
S. Third & W. State (Rt. 38) Sts. Entertainment, pie-eating contest, Kids' Day, pet and grand parades, Green Expo, sporting events, carnival, craft show, music competition, food booths & shopping sales. Free general admission; train station near festivities. Time: Tu-Sat 10 am-10 pm; Sun 10 am-8 pm.

Tue., June 23, 1-2pm
Character Counts! Respect
Elmhurst: 630- 993-8925 epd.org
Wagner Community Center, 615 N. West Ave. A free workshop in character education, necessary to help children develop tools & strategies to make moral choices of which they can be proud. Free, ages 3+w/adult.

Tue.'s, June 23, July 14, Aug. 4, 6:30-8:30pm
Float Night
Lombard: 630-627-6127 lombardparks.com
Paradise Bay Water Park, 433 E. St. Charles Rd. Enjoy one float night per month! Bring your floats & blowup chairs. No floats will be allowed in the dive well or water slide area.

Tue.,June 23, Dusk
Movie Under the Star- Rock, Paper, Scissors Tournament
Mt. Prospect: 847-392-2277 capannaris.com
Capannari Ice Cream, 10 S. Pine. Bring your blanket, picnic basket & enjoy a wonderful movie, "Kung Fu Panda" under the stars. Free.

Tue-Thur., June 23-25, 9am-Noon
Cool Chemical Concoctions
Naperville: 630-637-8000 dupagechildrensmuseum.org
DuPage Children's Museum, 301 N. Washington St. Amaze yourself by making concoctions that change colors, bubble, fizz and ooze. Ages 7-10. Advance registration required; $100 member/$110 nonmember.

Tue.-Thur., June 23-25, 10:30-noon
Art Space Camp
South Elgin: 847-622-0003 southelgin.com
Municipal Annex, 10 N. Water St. Learn to draw spaceships and aliens using different mediums. $55R/$60NR

Wed.'s, June 24 & Aug. 20, 10am-noon
Pleased to Meet You
Arlington Heights: 847-255-1225
Arlington Heights Historical Museum, 110 W. Fremont St. Have fun learning the "how to" and "why" of manners & basic etiquette. Table etiquette, thank you notes, introductions plus much more. Pre-register required at ahpd.org. $20 res; $25 non-res. Ages 8-11

Wed., June 24, 6-7pm
5th Annual Children's Dog Show
Barrington: 847-381-0687
Citizens Park, 511 Lake Zurich Rd. Calling all canines & their owners! Prizes given to all dogs. All participants receive a 'doggie' bag. A children's Concert in the Park featuring "Little Nashville" will immediately following the event. Concert is free. $5, pre-registration required

Wed., June 24, 10am-9pm
100th Anniversary Celebration
Cherry Valley: 800-373-1679 magicwaterswaterpark.com
Magic Waters Waterpark, 7820 CherryVale N. Blvd. Conveniently located just off I-90! Join in the fun as the Rockford Park District celebrates 100 years! Strawberry Shortcake Social, music, activities & giveaways! Visit online for costs & information.

Wed.-Sat., June 24-27, ongoing during Museum hours
Swedish Days - Rosemaling Display
Geneva: 630-232-4951 genevahistorycenter.org
Geneva History Center, 113 s. 3rd St. View a collection of beautifully rosemaled pieces. Rosemaling (rose painting) is a form of decorative flower painting that developed in rural areas of Norway during the late 18th century. Donations accepted

Wed.'s, June 24, July 1 & Aug. 19, 7:15pm dinner, 9pm Cruise
American Girl Dinner & Shoreline Sightseeing Cruise
Chicago: 877-247-5223 shorelinesightseeing.com
Navy Pier Dock St & American Girl Place. Start with a delicious dinner in the American Girl Café. Then, enjoy a private shoreline cruise from Navy Pier, where you'll see the lights of Chicago & learn about our new historical character. Top it all off with a spectacular fireworks show! Call for reservations. For ages 8+. $50/person. Bus transportation to Navy Pier is included. .

Wed., June 24, 5-7pm
Naperville Park District's Fishin' Kids
Naperville: 630-848.5000 napervilleparks.org
May Watts Park, Whispering HillsDr. Kids ages 5-11, learn the basics of fishing. Parents are asked to remain with their child. All bait and tackle are provided. Registration required. $8(R)/$12(N)/person.

Wed., June 24, 6:30-8pm
Under the Stars Summer Concert
Park Ridge: 847-692-5127 prparks.org
Centennial Park, 100 S. Western. Kick off the summer at this Ravina-style concert! The concert is free & for all ages. Bring your dinner, blanket or chair and jam with us. Free.

Wed.'s, June 24 & July 14 & Aug. 5, 9:30-11:30am
Day Camp
West Chicago: 630-231-3376
West Chicago City Museum, 132 Main St. Craft, story & activities that will explore the history of West Chicago. Call or email to register by June 19. Space is limited. Free. Ages 5-12.

Thur., June 25, 9-11am
Cooking in the Cabin
Arlington Heights: 847-255-1225
Arlington Heights Historical Museum, 110 W. Fremont St. Live the life of a pioneer in our log cabin! There cooking chores and games, too. $22 res; $27 non-res. Ages 8-11

Thur.'s, June 25 & Aug. 18 , 10-11:30am
Make It Count
Arlington Heights: 847-255-1225
Arlington Heights Historical Museum, 110 W. Fremont St. Count your pennies & watch them grow. Games, puzzles & hot tips. Each child makes a bank to start him on saving, spending, giving and growing. $19 res./$24 non-resident. Ages 8-12

Thur., June 25, noon-dusk
Tomorrow's Top Talent
Bolingbrook: 630-739-1700 bolingbrookparks.org
Bolingbrook Recreation & Aquatic Complex, 201 S. Lindsey Lane. Talent show performances in search of finding Tomorrow's Top Talent! Finalists will perform at Bolingbrook PD's Summer's Last Blast on Aug. 29. Free.

Thur.'s. June 25 & July 23, 9:30am
Pals in the Prairie
Chicago: naturemuseum.org
Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, 2430 N. Cannon Dr. For ages 3-6. Set out on a summer safari around the museum in one of the city's supreme prairies. Cost per class: $7/member or $9/non-member.

Thur.-Sun., June 25-28, varies
28th Annual Heritage Festival
Downers Grove: 630-434-5555 events.downers.us
Downtown. Voted "The Best Festival in the Midwest". Over 100,000 people will fill the streets throughout this weekend. Amusement rides, craft shows, entertainment, games & much more! Ride Preview Night: 6/25, 6-10pm. For more information & a complete list of dates & times visit online.

Thur., June 25, 3-7pm
Ice Cream Social & Concert in the Park
Glendale Heights: 630-260.0018 glendaleheights.org
Glendale Heights Historic House, 311 Windy Point Dr. Enjoy a live band performance of country music provided by the White Saddle Band, while savoring your very own ice cream sundae. Free

Thur., June 25, 10-10:30am
Homeschool - Birds
Hampshire: 847-741-8350
Hampshire Forest Preserve, Allen Rd., W. of Rt. 20. A series designed for home school families. Activities will focus on ages 5-10 but all ages are welcome. $2/person, $8/family of 4 or more

Thur., June 25, 6-8pm
Neighborhood Block Party
Schaumburg: 847-490-7015 parkfun.com
Brandenburg Park, 600 N Knollwood Dr. A block party right in your neighborhood! No need to register, just stop by & enjoy unlimited use of moonbounce inflatables, carnival games & great barbecue. Face painting, music & more are all part of the fun. Free, except for meal which is $3.

Thur., June 25, 6-8:30pm
Mom/Son Date Night at Coyote Crossing
West Chicago: 630-784-6100 csparks.org
Coyote Crossing Mini-Golf, 27W650 North Ave. Moms & Sons spend a special evening together at Coyote Crossing Mini Golf. Enjoy a pizza dinner & a round of mini golf. Dessert & other activities are included. Each mom will receive a photo to commemorate the evening. $10/res., $15/non-res.

Thur., June 25, 1-2pm
Junior Naturalists - Pollution Patrol
Wheaton: 630-871-2810 lincolnmarsh.org
Lincoln Marsh Natural Area, Corner of Harrison & Pierce Ave. For 6-11 yr olds. Investigate & discover the natural world while spending time with a Lincoln Marsh naturalist. Pre-registration is required, $6/res.; $9/non-res.

Fri., June 26, 6:30-8:00pm
Concert in the Park: 50s & 60s (Family)
Highland Park: 847-579-3120 pdhp.org
Sunset Woods Park, 1801 Sunset Rd. Groove to the 50s and 60s with the Juke Box Band. Bring a picnic dinner, chairs and enjoy a night of family fun. Light refreshments will be available for purchase. See www.pdhp.org or call 847.579.3120 for more info. FREE.

Fri.'s, June 26 & July 24, & Aug. 21, 6pm
Summer Fun Fridays
Barrington: 847-304-3479
Village Center, S. Cook St. Relax to the sounds of local entertainers at the monthly block party featuring live performances, delicious food and drinks, and fun activities.

Fri.'s, June 26, July 22, Aug. 17, 10-11am
Take a Hike!
Highland Park: 847-433.6901 pdhp.org
Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd.Take a hike on one or more of our fascinating, ever-changing trails with a Heller Naturalist. Ages 6+. Dress for the weather. $5.

Fri.-Sun., June 26-July 5
26th Annual Kankakee River Valley Fishing Derby
Kankakee: 815-939-2675
Kankakee River & its tributaries. A 10 day fishing event for the whole family.

Fri., June 26, 9:45-11:15am
Turtle Float
Lombard: 630-627-6127 lombardparks.com
Paradise Bay Water Park, 433 E. St. Charles Rd. Fun games, water activities, crafts, prizes & more! Fun turtle themed crafts, Turtle Floats, and don't forget your swim suit and towel. Registration deadline is 6/24. (1 day)$5 for 1 parent & child, $4 addl child. Ages 3-5.

Fri.-Sun., June 26-28, 10am-6pm Fri-Sun.
27th Annual Strawberry Fest
Long Grove: 847-634-0888 longgroveonline.com
Long Grove Historic Village, 307 Old McHenry Rd. Enjoy everything strawberry; from chocolate dipped fresh strawberries, strawberry donuts on a stick, etc. Add'l live entertainment beginning at 6:30pm on Sat. evening in Fountain Square.

Fri., June 26, 6:30-10pm
Naperville Park District's Parents' Night Out
Naperville: 630-848.5000 napervilleparks.org
Cowlishaw School Gym, 1212 Sanctuary Lane. Mom & dad are out having fun, & we'll be having fun, too! Crafts, gym games, pizza & a video will keep kids entertained. Designed for those ages 4-10. Registration required. $19(R)/$29(N). Ages 4-10. .

Fri.-Sun., June 26-28, 4pm-midnight
Greek Fest
Palatine: 847-358-5170 stnectariosgoc.org
St. Nectarios Greek Orthodox Church, 133 S. Roselle Rd. Festival of Greek culture with food, taverna, music, dancing, kid games and vendors.Dr. -thru carry out. Free shuttle bus available from Harper College or Marion Jordan School. $2 admission/person. Kids 12 and under are Free! Rain or shine.

Fri.'s, June 26, July 10,24, Aug. 7, 21, 8pm
Movie in the Park
Settlers' Park, 24401 W. Lockport St."Big Fat Liar",rated PG.

Fri.'s, June 26, 1-2:30pm
Burpee Explorers: Creepin' Crayfish
Rockford: 815-965-3433 x 1020 burpee.org
Burpee Museum of Natural History, 737 N Main St. Observe & study live & preserved crayfish. For school aged children, must provide own adult supervision. Registration required. $18 /child. Ages 6-12.

Fri., June 26, 11am-3:30pm
Jr. Jedi Academy
Rockford: 815-963-6769 discoverymuseum.org
Discovery Center Museum, 711 N. Main St. Don your Jedi robes for a STAR WARS adventure. Master the powers of the Force and apply your skills at the Jedi trials. Included with admission: $6 adults; $5 children; Free to kids under 2 and members.

Sat.'s, June 27 - Oct. 10, 8am-noon
Farmer's Market at Wagner Farm
Glenview: 847-657-1506 glenviewfarmersmarket.org
1510 Wagner Rd. Find a bounty of seasonal fruits & vegetables, flowers, homemade jellies, jams, fresh-baked goods produced by area farmers. Cooking demonstrations, kids actives, storytime & farmhouse living tours.

Sat., June 27, 10 -11am
Geocaching
Carol Stream: 630-784-6100 csparks.org
Aldrin Community Center, 391 IlliniDr. You will learn what this high-tech teasure hunt game is and how to find the coordinates to the cache sites. Please bring your GPS if you have one.$5/res., $9/ non-res. Ages 12+.

Sat., June 27, 2pm
Yo-Yo Man Mark Hayward
Deerfield: 847-945-3311 deerfieldlibrary.org
Deerfield Public Library, 920 Waukegan Rd. Mark Hayward, renowned juggler, world yo-yo champion, & master of yo-yo tricks like the Atom Smasher, the Boingy-Boingy & the Brain Twister, entertains & delights in this comedic show for all ages. Registration begins 5/26. Free.

Sat., June 27, 10-11:30am
Spiders and Their Websites
Downers Grove: 630-963-9388 dgparks.org
Lyman Woods, 901 31st St. Venture out in the woods for a look at some local spiders & their websites! Dress to be outdoors. Pre-registration is required. $8/child. Ages 7-9

Sat.'s-Sun.'s, June 27-28 & July 31-Aug. 1, 5-10am
Family Camping
Highland Park: 847-433.6901 pdhp.org
Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd. All you need is a tent (or you can use one of ours), sleeping bags, personal gear & a main course for dinner for your family. We will add the rest: drinks, games, hikes, activities, a campfire to roast marshmallows & breakfast. $90/115 (per family).

Antiques and Vintage Fair A Day in the Country
Hinsdale: 630-655-2090 grauemill.org
Burlington Park, Chicago Ave. & Garfield St. One of Chicagoland's top antiques shows. Event is outdoors. $10/adult, children under 10 free. Parking is free.

Sat., June 27,10-11am
Captain Cranky & His Crew
Lake Forest: 847-234-6060
Gorton Community Center, 400 East Illinois Rd. Puppet pirate fun for the kids presented by David Herzog & his Marionettes. $8. Ages 3+.

Sat.'s, June 27, July 25, August 22, 10am-4pm
Big Run Wolf Ranch Family Day/Open House
Lockport: 815-588-0044 bigrunwolfranch.org
14857 Farrell Rd. Food, Drinks, Raffles, Music & More! Come see our bear, our eleven wolves, cougar, coyote, lynx, skunk, groundhog, horses, and many other wild and domestic animals. $3

Sat., June 27, 7 -10:30pm
Cavalcade of Brass Drum & Bugle Concert
Naperville:
Benedetti-Wehrli Stadium, 455 S. Brainard St. Featuring The Cavaliers, Phantom Regiment, Blue Stars, Madison Scouts Spirit and more. Call for tickets.

Sat., June 27, 8-11:30am
Gone Fishin' Derby
Park Ridge: 847-692-5127 prparks.org
Wildwood Nature Center, 529 Forestview. The ponds have been stocked and the fish are ready to bite! There are three different age groups so you'll compete with your peers for prizes and trophies. $8 resident/$16 non-res. Ages 2-15

Sat., June 27, 9-11am
Youth Discovery - Henson Robinson Zoo
Springfield: 217-753-6217 hensonrobinsonzoo.org
Henson Robinson Zoo, 1100 East LakeDr. Try your best to leap like a wallaby, waddle like a penguin and more! Join us for these fun animal themed physical challenges and win a medal for completing them all. FREE.

Sat., June 27, 10-11am
Sense-ational Summer
Wheaton: 630- 871-2810 wheatonparkdistrict.com
Lincoln Marsh Natural Area, 1010 W. Madison St. Embark on an adventure of the senses as we explore what the summer has in store for Lincoln Marsh. Pre-registration required, $6/person/resident; $9/person/non-res.

Sun., June 28, 8am
Firecracker 4
Highland Park: 847-579.3104 pdhp.org
Recreation Center of Highland Park, 1207 Park Ave. West. Four mile run, 3-mile family fun walk to benefit S.M.I.L.E. This scenic race route includes Sunset Woods Park, downtown Highland Park & views of Lake Michigan.

Sun., June 28, noon-5pm
Little Boots Rodeo
Elk Grove Village: 847-437-9494 www.elkgroveparks.org
901 Leicester Rd. Rodeo events for children ages 3 to 10 are $5. Public events for all ages. Pig races, petting zoo, craft and vendor fair, pony rides, mechanical bull and much more!

Sun., June 28, 3-7:30pm
Foodstock '09
Lake Bluff :
Downtown, The Village Green, 40 E. Center Ave. A free outdoor concert with bands, all who have donated their time to support the C.O.O.L. Food Pantry. Bring non-perishable food items and/or make free will cash donations. Food & refreshments are available on-site;bring lawn chairs & blankets for lawn seating.

Sun., June 28, 10am registration
Lake Shore H.O.G. Chapter - On the Lamb!
Libertyville: 847-362-4636 pledgeride@lakeshorehog.com
Lambs Farm, 14245 W. Rockland Rd. Enjoy a scenic ride through more than 70 miles of N. Il & S. WI's best country Rd.'s. After the ride, party at Lambs Farm! Prizes for correct ride observations & a raffle are included. e-mail for pledge packet. $20 single/$30 w/passenger.

Sun., June 28, 1-4pm
Independence Day Celebration
Lombard: 630-629-1885 lombardhistory.org
Sheldon Peck Homestead, 355 E. Parkside. Children will play old-time games & adults can try their hand at real horseshoes. Learn about life during the days of the pioneer & the history of the Peck Homestead during the days of the Civi War. Free.

Sun., June 28, 6pm
Concert In The Park with Country Doctors
Mt Prospect: 847-394-2277 capannaris.com
Capannari Ice Cream, 10 S. Pine. Pack your picnic basket, blanket & enjoy a wonderful evening of music. Free.

Sun., June 28, 8am registration, 9:30am walk
Step Up for Autism 5K Walk
Naperville: 630-281-1882
Downtown Naperville Riverwalk. Lace up your walking shoes & join Little Friends, Inc.

Sun.'s, June 28, July 5, July 19-Aug. 30, 1-4pm
Settlement Sunday's
Naperville: 630- 420-6010 napersettlement.museum
Naper Settlement, 523 s. Webster St. Admission to the historic village not only includes free sundaes with do-it-yourself toppings, but also a variety of hands-on, family-friendly activities. $8/adult, $7/senior 62+ , $5.50/ages 4-17. Children 3 & under are free.

Sun., June 28, 6-8 pm
Family "Float Your Boat" Race
Oak Brook: 630-645-9590 obparks.org
Oak Brook Family Rec Center, 1450 Forest Gate Rd. Team together to build the strongest boat you can out of provided poster board & supplies. Your boat must then carry as many soda cans as possible while being pulled through the pool! Must pre-register. $20/residents, $30/non-residents.

Mowing and Mooing
Schaumburg: 847- 985-2100 parkfun.com
Spring Valley, 1111 E. Schaumburg Rd. Watch the draft horses mow the hay field, help with the harvest, take a hay ride, churn butter, make farmer's cheese, milk the cow & more. Homemade ice cream at the end of the day completes the experience. $2/person, $8/family of six or fewer; add'l person is $2; children 3 & under are free.

Sun., June 28, 1:30-3:30pm
Prehistoric Archaeology Adventure
Wauconda: 847-968-3321 LCFPD.org
Lake County Discovery Museum, 27277 N. Forest Preserve Rd. Did you know that mastodons & people lived side by side in prehistoric Lake County? Tour of our exhibit, Prehistoric Lake County. Then learn how archaeologists study the past & conduct your own excavation to uncover the story of LC's earliest residents! Registration required. Visit online or call to register.

Sun., June 28, 2:30-5:30pm
Busy Brains at the American Independence Festivities
Waukegan: 224-381-0138 busybrains.org
Bowen Park, 1800 N. Sheridan Rd. Busy Brains will offer traveling exhibits for children up to age 10 in art, science and humanities. Visit busybrains.org or call 224-381-0138. Exhibits also available for birthday parties and corporate events. Free

June 29-30, July 1-2, 23-24,27-28, or 29-30, 9am-noon
Fishing Fever Camp
Wheaton: 630-871-2810 lincolnmarsh.org
Rathje Park, 616 Delles. Fishing fever is designed to teach anglers the basics of safe fishing! We'll learn the proper way to rig a line, bait a hook & cast. Fishing poles are provided for use during camp. For children entering grades 3-8. $40/res.; $60/non-res.

Tue., June 30, 9-11am
Be A Cemetery Detective
Arlington Heights: 847-255-1225
Arlington Heights Historical Museum, 110 W. Fremont St. Decipher the art & symbolism found in local cemeteries. What stories do they tell us about the past & those buried within?Pre-registration required at ahpd.org. $22 res, $27 non-res. Ages 8-11

Tue., June 30, 1-3pm
Fearsome Frisbee Shields
Elmhurst: 630-833-1457 elmhursthistory.org
Elmhurst Historical Museum, 120 E. Park Ave. Kids can channel their inner super heroes all summer long with this fun & reasonably-priced family craft program. Drop in each week for a different comic book-themed craft in the Education Center. $2 per project.

Tue., June 30, 5:30pm gates open, 6:30pm game time
Geneva Park District Night at Kane County Cougars
Geneva: 630-232-4542 genevaparks.org
Cougar Stadium, 34W002 Cherry Ln. Enjoy fireworks & participants will have the opportunity to run the bases after the game & participate in a pre-game parade around the field. Open to ALL Geneva PD Participants. Call Geneva PD for tickets. $9 per ticket

Building a Literacy Foundation for Young Children
Grayslake: 847-223-5313 grayslake.info
Grayslake Area Public LIbrary, 100 Library Lane. Learn ways to help children begin to acquire and strengthen their early literacy skills as they develop through baby, talker, and pre-school stages. For parents, teachers, paraprofessionals and caregivers of children ages birth through Pre-School years. Must pre-register. Free

Tue., June 30, 6:30 - 8:30pm
Family Water Carnival
Lombard: 630-627-6127 lombardparks.com
Paradise Bay Water Park, 433 E. St. Charles Rd. Enjoy games & contestsmixed with the fun of water, including wet sponge toss, bean bag throw, splash contest, swimming races & more. Win a new mountain bike too! Must be present to win. .
Young Chefs Academy, Invite Grandma or Grandpa for a special day in our kitchens. Create our version of snickerdoodles & homemade ice cream! Workshop: $35/pair, 10 add'l child.