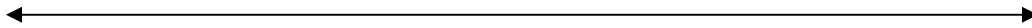


Please join us at  
**Squaw Creek National Wildlife Refuge**  
for our



## **2nd Annual Junior Naturalist Program**

Every Thursday at 6:30 pm.  
Beginning May 29<sup>th</sup> - Aug 28<sup>th</sup>, 2008 (14 wks)



### **Habitat Hunters - May 29<sup>th</sup>**

Join us in the outdoor classroom as we take a closer look at the habitat around us. We'll find out what it takes to live in the wild and look at the impact we make on the nature from the view of an ant.

### **Bike Hike - June 5<sup>th</sup>**

Bring your bike as we take a 2 mile ride around the marsh and take this opportunity to get to know each other better. The biking will be easy as a series of stations along the trail give us a chance to learn about nature and rest our legs.

### **Who called me Turkey? June 12<sup>th</sup>**

Special Guest Speaker Ellen Benitz, from the National Wild Turkey Federation, will be our guide as we learn about the Wild Turkey and how to find him with camouflage, turkey calls, and binoculars. Please join us in the Outdoor Classroom.

### **Binocular Bonanza - June 19<sup>th</sup>**

Take a hike in the hills... We'll learn more about binoculars as we play binocular bingo and find exciting adventures awaiting us just behind the Headquarters building.

### **Crayfish Crawl- June 26<sup>th</sup>**

This interesting marshland creature is ready to meet the team. We'll start in the Outdoor Classroom and get the inside view on this crustacean.

### **Fishin' for Fun - July 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Be prepared for some fishin' fun as we introduce some of Missouri's most common species and then go out to catch them first hand.



### **Archeology Adventure - July 10<sup>th</sup>**

Study the material remains of cultures past as we review the best way to look for artifacts and even learn to make some 'knock-offs' of our own. A guest speaker will give us a rare look into the past as he shows us part of his archeology collection.

### **Creepy Crawlers - July 17<sup>th</sup>**

Some very special guest speakers will bring to light the more agreeable side of the Creepy Crawler. Don't miss this class as we get a close view of some of Missouri's slitherers, hoppers, and even stingers.

### **Wildflower run- seeds July 24<sup>th</sup>**

Did you know the refuge grows flowers? Let's learn a little about our native species and talk about the way they survive in the marsh, prairie and forest.

### **Day in the life of: Wildlife Biologist - July 31<sup>st</sup>**

Waders, radio telemetry, snake traps, Oh My! Prepare yourself for a rare glance into the day in the life of a wildlife biologist (or at least prepare to get dirty). This is sure to be a fun filled day. Join us in the Outdoor Classroom.

### **Bump in the Night - Aug 7<sup>th</sup> (may find guest from raptor rehab)**

Let's find out what happens when the gates close at the refuge: Owls, Bat, Coyotes and more. We'll listen to the noises and talk about the life these nocturnal animals have.

### **Dear O' Deer - Aug 14<sup>th</sup>**

Join us as we check for evidence of deer around the learning classroom, explain their rebound in Missouri and identify common animal tracks we might find on the way.

### **Butterfly Field Trip- Aug 21<sup>st</sup>**

Dash through the fields and capture some of Missouri's most beautiful insects. Then learn about their amazing adaptations and the role they play in the food web.

### **Eco Adventure Course - Aug 28<sup>th</sup>**

This low-ropes challenge course requires small groups of students to solve challenges as a team. Students learn to rely on each other for ideas and support, rather than individual athletic achievement. Put all your Jr. Naturalist Knowledge together for this confidence-building activity as kids rely on their Jr. Natural experiences to finish the course.

