

**Bellevue Parks & Community Services  
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**MAY 2013**

**April 27 – July 7    The Owl and the Woodpecker in Washington (traveling exhibit),**  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Award-winning photographer, author, conservationist and Washington resident Paul Bannick examines the intertwined life histories of owls and woodpeckers, and the unique roles they have played in defining and enriching their often-threatened habitats. This is a Burke Museum Traveling Exhibit. **Ages:** Appropriate for ages 14 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

**May 3                Lost in the Woods (Story Time family activity),** 11 a.m. – noon and  
1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. (two sessions; choose one)  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
A new life was born in the woods. He slept alone in the tall grass. Was he lost? The animals of the forest want to know. We will make a fun craft to take home! **Ages:** 3 years and older. **Cost:** \$2.50 for residents and \$3 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course #72569 or #72570. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

**May 3-5            “The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe” (Bellevue Youth Theatre production),**  
May 3 and 4 at 7 p.m., and May 4 and 5 at 2 p.m.  
*Meydenbauer Theatre, 11100 NE 6<sup>th</sup> Street*  
Come experience the magic of Narnia in this delightful musical that takes you to wonderful places. Aslan, the White Witch, the Pevensie children and more all come alive in this tale created by C.S. Lewis. **Ages:** All ages; this live stage production is suitable for the whole family. **Cost:** \$10-\$12. **Info and to buy tickets:** 425-452-7155.

**May 4                Eastside Fuchsia Society Spring Fuchsia Sale,** 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
*Wilburton Instructional Service Center, 12241 Main Street (1/2 block east of Bellevue Botanical Garden)*  
This sale features a great selection of plants from the Eastside Fuchsia Society. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free admission; cost of plants varies. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-2750

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- May 4**      **Wildlife Baby Shower**, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Join us as the City of Bellevue and Sarvey Wildlife Care Center host the second annual Wildlife Baby Shower. We will collect in-kind and monetary donations for Sarvey Wildlife Care Center, a not-for-profit organization that cares for abandoned and injured wild animals. Come see rescued raptors, owls, opossums, hawks and falcons as we celebrate with a supply drive and family festival. Activities will include games, crafts, skits, scavenger hunts, ranger walks and a wildlife presentation! You'll also have a chance to win a raffle to help Sarvey with wildlife release. Come celebrate spring, learn about baby animals and help out a great cause! **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Suggested donation of \$5, or wildlife supply or food item is requested for each participant. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- May 4**      **Spring Migrations (ranger program)**, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16<sup>th</sup> Street*  
An amazing array of birds make unbelievably lengthy journeys every year, hundreds or even thousands of miles away, to find food, raise their young or just stay warm! Join a Ranger to hear tales of the harrowing adventures these brave birds have on their travels through the Pacific Northwest. **Ages:** Best for ages 6 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-7225.
- May 5**      **“John Muir: In the New World” (movie)**, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
The life and career of America's first nature preservationist come to life through this inspiring and beautiful documentary set against the magnificent landscapes of the American West. Running time is 85 minutes. **Ages:** 12 years and older. **Cost:** Free! Donations will be gratefully accepted. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- May 5 & 12**      **Mercer's Minnows (ranger program)**, 2 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
Did you know that a few times each spring, scores of foot-long minnows travel up the Mercer Slough on their way to their spawning beds in Kelsey Creek? Come learn more about their fascinating journey and watersheds in general. We'll play a fun peamouth minnow game! **Ages:** All ages are welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.
- May 8**      **Mother's Day Luncheon**, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
*North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*  
Come and celebrate the joys of motherhood with a delicious meal and door prizes. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Suggested donation of \$3 for those 60 years and older; fee of \$6 for those under 60, payable at the door. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** Call 425-452-7681 to register by May 4. **Info:** 425-452-7681.

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- May 10**      **Barn Dance**, 7 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.  
*Highland Community Center, 14224 Bel-Red Road*  
This dance is for teens and adults with intellectual disabilities. Come and dance the night away, make new friends and enjoy light refreshments. **Ages:** 16 years and older. **Cost:** \$9/Bellevue residents and \$11/non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **Info and to register:** 425-452-7686.
- May 11**      **Wilderness Skills (family activity)**, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Children will learn the essential items to take with them on a day hike, and what to do if they become separated from an adult in a wild place. **Ages:** 5 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- May 12**      **Mother's Day Social**, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.  
*Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street*  
This open house features light refreshments, music and beautiful scenery. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [www.bellevuebotanical.org](http://www.bellevuebotanical.org) or call 425-451-3755.
- May 12**      **Lost in the Woods (family movie)**, 2 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
The woodland animals learn the truth about the little fawn who sleeps alone in the woods. Running time is 45 minutes **Ages:** 3 years and older. **Cost:** Free! Donations will be gratefully accepted. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- May 14**      **Mother's Day Dance**, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.  
*North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*  
The "Sound of Swing" will perform for your dancing pleasure. **Ages:** 18 years and older. **Cost:** \$3 per person, payable at the door. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-7681.
- May 17**      **Green Hour (family activity)**, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Join us every month for a Green Hour at Lewis Creek Park! Observe and explore the park during an hour of unstructured play and interaction with the natural world. Each month, creative, science-based ideas will have children and parents deepening their knowledge and love of nature together. **Ages:** 5 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

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- May 18**      **Fraser Cabin Heritage Program**, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Fraser Cabin, Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*  
The Fraser Cabin, built in 1888 and located at Kelsey Creek Farm, comes to life with activities and interpretation presented by volunteers and staff from the Eastside Heritage Center. Visitors are invited to participate in hands-on activities that relate to 1880s settler life: agriculture, dairy, household tasks, log cabins, games and Eastside history. This program is presented by the Eastside Heritage Center in partnership with Bellevue Parks & Community Services. **Ages:** All ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** Eastside Heritage Center – 425-450-1049 or [www.eastsideheritagecenter.org](http://www.eastsideheritagecenter.org).
- May 18-19**    **Rhododendron Show and Sale**, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
*Wilburton Instructional Service Center, 12241 Main Street (1/2 block east of Bellevue Botanical Garden)*  
This show and sale features beautiful Northwest rhododendrons. Proceeds benefit the Cascade Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free admission; cost of plants varies. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [lscott@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:lscott@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2750.
- May 19**      **The Food Chain (family activity)**, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
All living things depend on each other to survive. Who do you depend on? Learn about the web of life as you create your very own food chain model to take home! **Ages:** 6 years and older. **Cost:** \$2/resident and \$3/non-resident. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course #74322. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- May 25**      **Local Area Hike: Coal Creek Park**, 10 a.m. – noon  
*Meeting Place: Redtown Trailhead (Cougar Mountain) on Lakemont Blvd. SE*  
Hike through Bellevue's largest park and get lost in the wilderness while still being in the city! This area is rich in history and wildlife. Please dress for the weather, bring water and wear sturdy shoes. **Distance:** 5 miles. **Level of difficulty:** Moderate (380 feet elevation). **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- May 25**      **Deer (Living with Wildlife Series)**, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Deer are among the most familiar animals of Washington, and in many places they are the largest wildlife that people encounter. Learn how to identify between mule deer, black-tailed deer and white-tailed deer, and which lawn plants are deer-resistant. **Ages:** 10 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course #74265. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

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- May 26**      **“Stickeen” by John Muir (Naturalists’ Book Club)**, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Scottish-born American naturalist and writer, John Muir devoted much of his life to saving the natural beauties of the West from destruction by commercial exploitation. *Stickeen* details the Alaskan adventures of Muir and his adopted four-legged companion. **Ages:** 15 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- May 29**      **Youth Link’s 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Community Leadership Awards Night**,  
Reception at 6:30 p.m., program at 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.  
*Bellevue City Hall, 450 110<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*  
This free community youth recognition event celebrates student and teen contributions in our community. **Cost:** Free. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** Patrick Alina, Youth Link Program Coordinator, [palina@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:palina@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-5254. Nomination forms are available at [www.youthlink.com](http://www.youthlink.com) .
- May 31**      **“Nature: An Original Duckumentary” (nature movie)**, 5 p.m. – 6 p.m.  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
This program follows a wood duck family as a male and female create a bond, migrate together across thousands of miles, nurture and protect a brood of chicks, then come full circle as they head to their wintering grounds. Popcorn provided! **Ages:** Best for ages 5 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-2565.

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**June 1                Lewis Creek Ranger Hike (family activity), 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*

Join a Park Ranger to explore the natural history of Lewis Creek Park. Look for signs of local wildlife and learn what to do when encountering animals in the wild. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! Donations will be gratefully accepted. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

**June 1                Summer Solstice Dance, 7 p.m. – 10 p.m.**

*North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*

The “Sound of Swing” will perform for your dancing pleasure. **Ages:** 18 years and older. **Cost:** \$15 per person, payable at the door. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-7681.

**June 2                “Lords of Nature: Life in a Land of Great Predators” (movie),**  
2 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*

Journey to the heart of predator country: the Yellowstone plateau, the canyons of Zion, and the rugged country of Idaho and Minnesota. Learn from scientists and people now living with the great beasts society once banished. Running time is 60 minutes. **Ages:** 12 years and older. **Cost:** Free! Donations will be gratefully accepted. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

**June 8                Natural Resource Family Day, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*

Come on over to Lewis Creek Park and discover the secrets of our local wildlife, history, forests and wetlands. Families are invited to walk the trails and learn from naturalists, professionals and academics about our amazing natural resources at many learning stations set up throughout the park! **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-7225.

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- June 9**      **“Flight of the Draco” (children’s movie)**, 2 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Join the adventures of the Kratt brothers as they meet up with cool creatures from around the world. Each episode is an adventure that also features how animals use science in their natural lives. Running time is 30 minutes. **Ages:** 6 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- June 9**      **Introduction to Nature Photography**, noon – 2 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Learn the basics of nature photography. Come find out what those settings on your camera do and how they affect your photos. Whether you’re trying to show off a tiny mushroom or capture the mountains in the distance, your photos can show your love for the outdoors. Bring your DLSR and we’ll practice connecting to nature through photography. **Ages:** 14 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course #74306. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- June 11**     **Father’s Day Dance**, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.  
*North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*  
The “Sound of Swing” will perform for your dancing pleasure. **Ages:** 18 years and older. **Cost:** \$3 per person, payable at the door. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-7681.
- June 12**     **Father’s Day Luncheon**, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
*North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*  
Enjoy a delicious lunch along with a presentation on the history of the Model A. See a variety of Model A’s and talk with owners of these beautifully restored vehicles. Share your own Model A memories as well. Co-sponsored by Evergreen Chapter, Model A Club of America and Catholic Community Services. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Suggested donation of \$3 for those 60 years and older; fee of \$6 for those under 60, payable at the door. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** Call 425-452-7681 to register by June 8. **Info:** 425-452-7681.
- June 14**     **Eliza and the Dragonfly (children’s activity)**, 11 a.m. – noon and 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. (two sessions; choose one)  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
The magic of a dragonfly’s transformation leads to a transformation in a little girl too. We always make a fun craft to take home! **Ages:** 3 years and older. **Cost:** \$2/residents and \$3/non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course #74254 or #74255. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

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**June 15**      **Lake to Lake Bike Ride**, registration opens at 8 a.m.; start area open from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

*Lake Hills Community Park, 1200 164<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*

Bring Dad and the whole family for an enjoyable, non-competitive ride! Explore the hidden treasures of Bellevue while emphasizing bicyclist awareness and rules of the road/trail. Choose the Greenbelt Loop (mostly flat 8-mile loop) or the Lake Loop (more challenging, 22-mile route with significant elevation gain). The routes are approximately 80% on-road and 20% off-road gravel. Ride will take place, rain or shine. **Ages:** 8 years and older. Riders under age 18 must be accompanied by a responsible adult on all rides. **Cost:** \$12 for those who pre-register; \$17 on day of event. **Pre-registration:** Suggested. To register: <http://www.active.com/> and search for Lake to Lake Ride. **Info:** [bikeride@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:bikeride@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-4882.

**June 15**      **Fraser Cabin Heritage Program**, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

*Fraser Cabin, Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*

The Fraser Cabin, built in 1888 and located at Kelsey Creek Farm, comes to life with activities and interpretation presented by volunteers and staff from the Eastside Heritage Center. Visitors are invited to participate in hands-on activities that relate to 1880s settler life: agriculture, dairy, household tasks, log cabins, games and Eastside history. This program is presented by the Eastside Heritage Center in partnership with Bellevue Parks & Community Services. **Ages:** All ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** Eastside Heritage Center – 425-450-1049 or [www.eastsideheritagecenter.org](http://www.eastsideheritagecenter.org).

**June 15 – August 17**      **Nature Photography Contest (family activity)**

*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*

Have some great nature shots taken in Bellevue Parks that you want to share with the community? Enter Lewis Creek Park's Nature Photography Contest! The winner's photographs will be displayed at Bellevue Parks' environmental education centers. Winner will be announced on August 25th. **Ages:** All ages. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

**June 16**      **Father's Day Pancake Breakfast & More**, breakfast served 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.; events until noon

*South Bellevue Community Center, 14509 SE Newport Way*

Start the morning with a delicious pancake breakfast followed by adventurous activities for the entire family. Climb the Climbing Wall, try out the Vertical Playpen and take your family on an orienteering trek through Eastgate Park! Moms are welcome too! **Ages:** All ages; must be 4 years and older for the Climbing Wall and Vertical Playpen. **Cost:** \$8 per person. **Pre-registration:** Required. To register: 425-452-4240, course # 74374. **Info:** [sbcc@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:sbcc@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-4240.

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- June 16**     **Pond Dip (family activity)**, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
The edges of ponds and wetlands are great places for budding naturalists to explore! We will use tools like dip nets and water scopes to get a closer look at the wetland creatures of Lewis Creek Park. What will we find in this unfamiliar underwater world?! **Ages:** 5 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- June 16**     **Mercer Slough Hot Topic Series: “Washington’s Endangered Species,”**  
2 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
There are a lot of misconceptions about the Endangered Species Act. Join a Mercer Slough park ranger to learn about current events surrounding Washington State’s endangered species. **Ages:** Best for ages 12 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.
- June 21**     **Bird Walk at the Slough (ranger program)**, 6:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
Go birding at the Mercer Slough Nature Park with a knowledgeable guide! All skill levels are invited to participate. Binoculars are not provided. **Ages:** All ages are welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Required. To register: [www.MyParksandRecreation.com](http://www.MyParksandRecreation.com) or call 425-452-6885, course # 74296. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.
- June 21**     **Green Hour (family activity)**, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.  
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- June 22**     **Lewis Creek to Lakemont Community Park Hike**, 10 a.m. - noon  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
This lovely trail winds through green corridors to connect two of Bellevue’s most beautiful parks. Please dress for the weather, bring water and wear sturdy shoes. **Distance:** 5 miles. **Level of difficulty:** Difficult (750 feet elevation). **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

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- June 22**      **Woof Walks in Nature**, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.  
*Meet at Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Join a Park Ranger and discover fascinating ecological facts about Bellevue's city parks. Bring your dog and learn how you can both help the city steward these valuable lands. All dogs must be on a leash. Please dress for the weather. **Ages:** All ages; we encourage families to attend. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [LHarper@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:LHarper@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7225.
- June 22**      **Animal Art**, 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Draw and sketch different Pacific Northwest species from a collection of wildlife mounts! There is no other way to capture the magnificence of these creatures so close up and so still. Mounts, newsprint and charcoal pencils provided. Challenge your artistic talents while learning about the natural history of the area you live in. **Ages:** 8 years and older. **Cost:** \$4/residents and \$5/non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course #74264. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- June 28**      **Bird Walk at the Slough (ranger program)**, 6:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
Go birding at the Mercer Slough Nature Park with a knowledgeable guide! All skill levels are invited to participate. Binoculars are not provided. **Ages:** All ages are welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** [www.MyParksandRecreation.com](http://www.MyParksandRecreation.com) or call 425-452-6885, course # 74297. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.
- June 28**      **"My Life as a Turkey" (movie)**, 5 p.m. – 6 p.m.  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
Follow one man's remarkable experience of raising a group of wild turkey hatchlings to adulthood. Popcorn provided! **Ages:** Best for ages 5 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.
- June 29**      **Weowna Forest Walk**, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Meet at Weowna Park entrance kiosk, 1420 168<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
Come enjoy a stroll through Weowna Park with a Park Ranger while listening to tales of the people who used to live there and the trees who still do. Please dress for the weather. **Ages:** Best for ages 6 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-7225.

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*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*

Let’s discuss Wendell Berry’s book of 22 essays ranging from America’s insatiable consumerism and household economies to literary subjects and America’s attitude toward waste. Berry frames his reflections with poetic responsibility, standing up as a firm believer in the power of the human race not only to fix its past mistakes but to build a future that will provide a better life for all. **Ages:** 15 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required.

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**July 2      “Hotel Transylvania” (Outdoor Movies in the Downtown Park),**

Pre-movie activity starts at 8 p.m.; movie begins at dusk.

*Bellevue Downtown Park, 10201 NE 4<sup>th</sup> Street*

Come to the park and watch this free movie on the 40-foot screen, and enjoy free popcorn. We will be collecting items and cash donations to support The Sophia Way, a local non-profit. Items needed are grocery gift cards and bus passes. If raining, the movie will be shown at South Bellevue Community Center. **Ages:** All ages; movie is rated PG. **Cost:** Free! Please bring suggested donation item. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4240.

**July 4      Symetra Bellevue Family 4<sup>th</sup>, 2 p.m. – 10:40 p.m.**

*Bellevue Downtown Park, 10201 NE 4<sup>th</sup> Street*

With rockets' red glare, bombs bursting in air and a jam-packed lineup of festivities, the 2013 Symetra Bellevue Family 4<sup>th</sup> will bring the Eastside's largest Independence Day celebration and fireworks show to Bellevue Downtown Park. The event features the Bellevue Parks Family Fun Zone, an international food court, live entertainment on the main stage and formal presentation of the colors. When twilight fades, the Bellevue Youth Symphony Orchestra will play a rousing Independence Day tribute set to the Eastside's largest fireworks display. This event is co-produced by the City of Bellevue and the Bellevue Downtown Association, and is sponsored by Symetra. **Ages:** All ages; family event. **Cost:** Free admission; prices vary for food and activities. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [NWAC@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:NWAC@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-4106.

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- July 5**      **Coyote (children’s activity)**, 11 a.m. – noon and 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. (two sessions; choose one)  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Wherever Coyote goes, you can be sure he’ll get into mischief. This time Coyote has found real trouble! We always make a fun craft to take home. **Ages:** 3 years and older. **Cost:** \$2/residents and \$3/non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course #74256 or #74257. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- July 6**      **Lewis Creek Ranger Hike (family activity)**, 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Join a Park Ranger to explore the natural history of Lewis Creek Park. Look for signs of local wildlife and learn what to do when encountering animals in the wild. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! Donations will be gratefully accepted. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- July 7 and 14**      **Maps (ranger program)**, 2 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
Although most of us rely on our smartphones to find our way around, turn-by-turn directions aren’t available in the wilderness. Join a Mercer Slough Park Ranger to learn the basics of using a map and compass. We’ll do a hands-on activity using a compass. **Ages:** All ages are welcome, but a basic understanding of addition/subtraction is needed. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.
- July 7**      **How to Create a Backyard Wildlife Habitat**, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.  
*Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16<sup>th</sup> Street*  
Would you like to bring more wildlife to your yard? Are you attracting the kind of wildlife you would like to visit your backyard? Join us in learning about how to provide a useful and beautiful backyard habitat for busy bees, curious squirrels, musical birds and you! Learn how to have your outdoor space registered as a certified wildlife habitat that will benefit both you and your wildlife neighbors. **Ages:** 12 years and older; under 18 must be supervised by parent. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-7225.
- July 7**      **“Bees: Tales from the Hive” (movie)**, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m..  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Up-close footage filmed with specially developed macro lenses brings you the most intimate portrayal of a working bee colony ever filmed. Discover new-found facts about the strange and complex life of bees. Running time is 54 minutes. **Ages:** 12 years and older. **Cost:** Free! Donations will be gratefully accepted. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

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- July 9**      **Bastille Day Dance**, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.  
*North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*  
The “Sound of Swing” will perform for your dancing pleasure. **Ages:** 18 years and older. **Cost:** \$3 per person, payable at the door. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-7681.
- July 9**      **“Thunderstruck” (Outdoor Movies in the Downtown Park),**  
Pre-movie activity starts at 8 p.m.; movie begins at dusk.  
*Bellevue Downtown Park, 10201 NE 4<sup>th</sup> Street*  
Come to the park and watch this free movie on the 40-foot screen, and enjoy free popcorn. We will be collecting items and cash donations to support Boys & Girls Clubs of Bellevue, a local non-profit. Items needed are school supplies and backpacks. If raining, the movie will be shown at South Bellevue Community Center. **Ages:** All ages; movie is rated PG. **Cost:** Free! Please bring suggested donation item. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4240.
- July 10**      **Kelsey Creek Farm Gardening**, 11 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  
*Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*  
Pick from a variety of seeds, plant one to take home and watch it grow just like the gardens on the farm. Walk around the farm and see the plants that grow here at Kelsey. **Ages:** All ages; family event. Children must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** Suggested donations of \$1 per person or \$5 per family are suggested to help support the farm. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7688.
- July 11**      **Natural Start Preschool Open House**, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.  
*Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24<sup>th</sup> Street*  
Visit Natural Start Preschool for an open house. This unique program combines Kindergarten readiness with experiences in nature, creative art exploration and lessons in healthy living. Two, three and five-day programs are available from September to June. **Ages:** 3 to 5 years old. **Cost:** Open house is free. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [www.naturalstartpreschool.com](http://www.naturalstartpreschool.com) or 425-891-0764, or NWAC at 425-452-4106 .
- July 11**      **Harmonica Pocket presents Roots and Branches Concert**, 11 a.m. – noon  
*Kelsey Creek Farm Park Amphitheatre, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*  
Pretend to dig a hole and climb a tree while enjoying songs about earthworms, bare feet and playing in the dirt. Presented by Bellevue Friends of the Library, in partnership with Bellevue Parks & Community Services. **Ages:** All ages; family event. Children must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7688.

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- July 13**      **Monocular Making (family activity)**, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Magnifying things in nature can make them easier to learn about. We will make our own monocular and explore the park with our new eye! **Ages:** 6 years and older. **Cost:** \$2/residents and \$3/non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course #74324. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- July 14**      **“Totally Tropical Rainforest” (children’s movie)**, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Take a totally tropical trip to the rain forest and meet spotted jaguars, colorful poison-arrow frogs, slow-moving sloths and loud-mouthed howler monkeys! Running time is 45 minutes. **Ages:** 3 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- July 16**      **“Diary of a Wimpy Kid – Dog Days” (Outdoor Movies in the Downtown Park),**  
Pre-movie activity starts at 8 p.m.; movie begins at dusk.  
*Bellevue Downtown Park, 10201 NE 4<sup>th</sup> Street*  
Come to the park and watch this free movie on the 40-foot screen, and enjoy free popcorn. We will be collecting items and cash donations to support Ashoka Seattle, a local non-profit. Items needed are grocery gift cards and bus passes. If raining, the movie will be shown at South Bellevue Community Center. **Ages:** All ages; movie is rated PG. **Cost:** Free! Please bring suggested donation item. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4240.
- July 19**      **Green Hour (family activity)**, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Join us every month for a Green Hour at Lewis Creek Park! Observe and explore the park during an hour of unstructured play and interaction with the natural world. Each month, creative, science-based ideas will have children and parents deepening their knowledge and love of nature together. **Ages:** 5 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- July 20**      **Fraser Cabin Heritage Program**, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Fraser Cabin, Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*  
The Fraser Cabin, built in 1888 and located at Kelsey Creek Farm, comes to life with activities and interpretation presented by volunteers and staff from the Eastside Heritage Center. Visitors are invited to participate in hands-on activities that relate to 1880s settler life: agriculture, dairy, household tasks, log cabins, games and Eastside history. This program is presented by the Eastside Heritage Center in partnership with Bellevue Parks & Community Services. **Ages:** All ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** Eastside Heritage Center – 425-450-1049 or [www.eastsideheritagecenter.org](http://www.eastsideheritagecenter.org) .

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- July 20**      **We Scream for Ice Cream**, 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  
*Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24<sup>th</sup> Street*  
Stay COOL this summer enjoying the wonderful world of ice cream. Spend a fun-filled morning creating art projects, making ice cream and decorating cookies. **Ages:** 2 to 5 years. **Cost:** \$25/residents and \$30/non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** [www.MyParksandRecreation.com](http://www.MyParksandRecreation.com), course #74963. **Info:** [NWAC@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:NWAC@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-4106.
- July 20**      **Weowna Park Hike**, 10 a.m. - noon  
*Meeting place: 168<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE and SE 19<sup>th</sup> Street*  
Bridges, waterfalls, and Bellevue's oldest trees live in Weowna Park. Explore this deep ravine that was restored using bioengineering techniques. Please dress for the weather, bring water, and wear sturdy shoes. Limited parking; we encourage carpooling. **Distance:** 3 miles. **Level of difficulty:** Moderate (200 feet elevation). **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- July 20**      **Introduction to Birding with Eastside Audubon (family activity)**,  
1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Join Eastside Audubon and learn about our fascinating feathered friends. Children will be intrigued by the bird mounts, fascinated by looking at feathers through a magnifying glass, and quiet listeners of the bird songs. Each child will leave with their own feeder to take home so they can watch birds eating in their own backyards. **Ages:** 5 years and older. **Cost:** Donations suggested. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course #74325. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- July 20**      **Pollinators in the Garden**, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16<sup>th</sup> Street*  
Who are the pollinators in your backyard? What do they do? Are they just bugs? Come discover all of the cool critters who help make flowers bloom and gardens bountiful! **Ages:** Best for ages 6 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-7225.
- July 23**      **“Paranorman” (Outdoor Movies in the Downtown Park)**,  
Pre-movie activity starts at 8 p.m.; movie begins at dusk.  
*Bellevue Downtown Park, 10201 NE 4<sup>th</sup> Street*  
Come to the park and watch this free movie on the 40-foot screen, and enjoy free popcorn. We will be collecting items and cash donations to support Kinderling, a local non-profit. Items needed are grocery gift cards and bus passes. If raining, the movie will be shown at South Bellevue Community Center. **Ages:** All ages; movie is rated PG. **Cost:** Free! Please bring suggested donation item. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4240.

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- July 24**      **Rabbit Tales**, 11 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  
*Fraser Cabin, Kelsey Creek Farm Park Amphitheatre, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*  
Teen farm volunteers and staff will introduce you to the world of domestic rabbits. Learn what they eat, where they live, how they like to be touched, listen to a story about bunnies, and do a craft project. **Ages:** All ages, family event; children must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** Donations of \$1/person or \$5 per family are suggested to help support the farm. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7688.
- July 25**      **Eric Ode presents The Big Dip Concert**, 11 a.m. – noon  
*Robinswood Barn at Robinswood Park, 2430 148<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
Join this award-winning songwriter and author, along with his pal, Weasel Pete, for a high-participation music and poetry program featuring songs about underground critters, buried treasure and all things muddy. This children's event will be held in the park, on the grass outside the Robinswood Barn. Presented by Friends of the Library, in partnership with Bellevue Parks & Community Services. **Ages:** All ages, family event. Children must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7688.
- July 26**      **Movies at Mercer Slough: "Nature – Raccoon Nation"**, 5 p.m. – 6 p.m.  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
Attempting to do something that has never been done before, scientists closely follow a family of urban raccoons as they navigate the complex world of a big city. Popcorn provided! **Ages:** Best for ages 8 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.
- July 26-28**    **The Zany Worm Booth at Kidsfair**, 9:15 a.m. – 6:15 p.m.  
*Bellevue Arts Museum, 510 Bellevue Way*  
Sponsored by the Bellevue Botanical Garden Society, the Zany Worm Booth offers kids the opportunity to do hands-on garden activities. The fun begins with learning about and experiencing earthworms. Kids are challenged with Worm Trivia and information on these amazing garden creatures. Earthworm stamps, and coloring worm cards to take home, make this a memorable event. **Ages:** Children of all ages. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [www.bellevuebotanical.org](http://www.bellevuebotanical.org) or 425-451-3755.
- July 27**      **Recoons (Living with Wildlife Series)**, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Urban raccoon populations can get quite large, owing to hunting and trapping restrictions, few predators, and human-supplied food. Learn how to prevent conflicts with these crafty urban neighbors. **Ages:** 10 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course #74266. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

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- July 28**      **“Tent Life in Siberia” by George Kennan (Naturalists’ Book Club),**  
2 p.m. – 4 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Telegraph operator George Kennan signs on to build a telegraph line across Siberia in the late 1800s. His book is a well-written, fascinating account and very good American example of humorous, understated adventure writing. **Ages:** 15 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- July 30**      **“Life of Pi” (Outdoor Movies in the Downtown Park),**  
Pre-movie activity starts at 8 p.m.; movie begins at dusk.  
*Bellevue Downtown Park, 10201 NE 4<sup>th</sup> Street*  
Come to the park and watch this free movie on the 40-foot screen, and enjoy free popcorn. We will be collecting items and cash donations to support YouthCare, a local non-profit. Items needed are grocery gift cards and bus passes. If raining, the movie will be shown at South Bellevue Community Center. **Ages:** All ages; movie is rated PG. **Cost:** Free! Please bring suggested donation item. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4240.

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**YEAR-ROUND EVENTS**

**Daily, times vary**

**Kelsey Creek Farm Pioneer Days**

*Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*

Experience life in the 1800s by visiting our historic log cabin. Tour includes grinding wheat and coffee, turning butter, and other living history activities. These tours are for preschool and school groups. **Ages:** 2 years and older. **Cost:** Varies according to group size (up to \$5 per person). **Pre-registration:** Required. **Info and to register:** [kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7688.

**Daily, times vary**

**Kids on the Farm – Group Tours**

*Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*

Explore our farm and meet our goats, pig, sheep, rabbits, chickens and ponies. Experience the old-fashioned skill of wool carding, and create a wool sheep to take home. These group tours are for preschool and school groups. **Ages:** 2 years and older. **Cost:** Varies according to group size (up to \$5 per person). **Pre-registration:** Required. **Info and to register:** [kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7688.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month**

**NWRSA Area 2060 Greater Sammamish Hand Spinners, Noon - 2 p.m.**

*Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park (Farm House), 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*

Visitors invited to drop in and watch as spinners demonstrate the traditional art of hand spinning as they turn fuzzy fiber into yarn. New spinners welcome! **Register:** not required. All ages welcome; children must be accompanied by an adult. **Info:** 425-452-7688 or e-mail [kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov).

**Every 1<sup>st</sup> Monday each month**

**Snocon Night, 4 p.m. - 7 p.m.**

*Bellevue Skate Park, 14224 Bel-Red Road (within Highland Community Park)*

Bellevue Skate Park and Snowboard Connection are proud to present “Snocon Night.” Various games, best trick contest, and give a ways for families and youth of all ages. Come check it out - you may walk away with some cool prizes. **Info:** 425-452-2722. **Register:** not required.

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#### **Every Monday**

**Youth Link Marketing Committee**, 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

*Bellevue City Hall, Room 1E-121, 450 110<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*

Learn marketing through hands-on training and activities! Marketing team members work on the Bellevue Patch, YouthConnect, an online youth publication, develop marketing materials for the program and develop other marketing strategies using social media. **Info:** call Youth Link at 425-452-5254 or email [palina@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:palina@bellevuewa.gov) .

#### **Last Monday each month**

**Youth Link Teen Closet Distribution Event**, 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

*World Impact Network, 2015 Richards Road*

Teen Closet is a free clothing bank for teens and families in the Bellevue area. Individuals, families, and community groups interested in volunteering at the event can contact Patrick, Youth Link Program Coordinator, 425-452-5254, e-mail [palina@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:palina@bellevuewa.gov) , or visit [www.youthlink.com](http://www.youthlink.com).

#### **Every Tuesday**

**2013 Kids Care Coat Drive Planning Committee**, 4 p.m. – 5 p.m.

*Bellevue City Hall, Room 1E-119, 450 110<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*

Help plan an annual city-wide coat drive for families in Bellevue. **Info:** Youth Link at 425-452-5254 or [palina@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:palina@bellevuewa.gov) .

#### **Every Tuesday**

**2014 Youth Involvement Conference Planning Meeting**, 5 p.m. – 6 p.m.

*Bellevue City Hall, Room 1E-121, 450 110<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*

Help plan a biennial city-wide youth conference in Bellevue. Decide with other teens on selecting themes, workshops and speakers. **Info:** call Youth Link at 425-452-5254 or visit [www.youthlink.com](http://www.youthlink.com) .

#### **4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday each month**

**Bellevue Youth Court**, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

*Bellevue City Hall, 450 110<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, Council Chambers*

Monthly session of Bellevue Youth Court with two juvenile court cases. **Info:** 425-452-2846 or [hstephens@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:hstephens@bellevuewa.gov) .

#### **1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday each month**

**Bellevue Youth Council Meeting**, 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

*Bellevue City Hall, 450 110<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, Room 1E-120*

Youth leadership and community service program for Bellevue middle and high school students. **Info:** Youth Link: 425-452-5254 or [palina@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:palina@bellevuewa.gov) .

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Thursday each month**

**Bellevue Network On Aging Meeting**, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

*Bellevue City Hall, 450 110<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, Room 1E-120*

**Info:** 425-452-7681 or visit [www.bellevuewa.gov/network\\_on\\_aging.htm](http://www.bellevuewa.gov/network_on_aging.htm).

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#### **1<sup>st</sup> Saturday each month**

**Lewis Creek Ranger Hikes**, first Saturdays – September 1, October 6, November 3, December 1

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

*Lewis Creek Park, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*

Join a ranger to explore the natural history of Lewis Creek Park. Look for signs of local wildlife, and learn what to do when encountering animals in the wild. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

#### **Every Saturday**

**Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Walk**, 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. (No walks offered on April 20.)

*Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16<sup>th</sup> Street*

Do you know the story behind the Phantom at Phantom Lake? Have you ever seen our feathered winter visitors? Can you spot a nurse log? Join a Park Ranger for a free guided tour of the Greenbelt. Learn the history of the park, tour community gardens, and learn about local wildlife. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration** is not required. **Info:** 425-452-7225.

#### **Every Saturday**

**Mercer Slough Nature Walk**, 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. (No walks offered on March 16 or April 20.)

*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*

At 320 acres, Mercer Slough Nature Park is Lake Washington's largest wetland and Bellevue's second largest park! Meet a Park Ranger at the Environmental Education Center for a free guided tour to learn about the fascinating flora, fauna and history of the park. Please dress for weather. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** not required. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.

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#### **Saturdays and Sundays (May through September)**

##### **Canoe the Mercer Slough, 8:45 a.m. - noon**

*Enatai Beach Park, 3519 108<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*

Explore the beautiful Mercer Slough Nature Park by water, and see how this amazing wetland ecosystem functions. Participants are required to paddle the entire distance of four miles. Trip begins and ends at Enatai Beach Park. Some paddling experience is required. Up to three people per canoe. Please dress for the weather. **Ages:** Ages 5 years and older only. Children and youth must have at least one adult present for every two children/youth. **Cost:** \$16 for Bellevue residents; \$18 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** visit [www.MyParksandRecreation.com](http://www.MyParksandRecreation.com) or call 425-452-2565. **Info:** [msec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:msec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.

#### **Every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday**

##### **Luncheon, Noon**

*North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*

Adults 60 and older can enjoy a delicious, hot lunch. **Suggested donation:** \$3 for those 60 and older; fee of \$5.95 for those under 60. Lunches sponsored and prepared by Catholic Community Services staff and Center volunteers. Special events such as Thanksgiving and Holiday lunches. **Info/Pre-register:** 425-452-7681.