

Bellevue Parks & Community Services
Events List
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AUGUST 2013

- Aug 1** **Cultural Family Films in the Park – “Karate Kid” (1984),**
Live music (international performances) at 7:30 p.m.; movie begins at dusk.
Crossroads Community Park, International Area, 16140 NE 8th Street
Bring your family to enjoy a movie outside under the stars. If it’s raining, the movie will be shown in Crossroads Community Center. **Ages:** All ages; movie is rated PG. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4240.
- Aug 2** **Where Would I Be in an Evergreen Tree? (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
Meet all the creatures that call the Northwest woods their home. We always make a fun craft to take home! **Ages:** 3 years and older. **Cost:** \$2 for residents; \$3 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course #74258 or #74259. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Aug 2** **Bats at Twilight, 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.**
Kelsey Creek Farm Park Amphitheatre, 410 130th Place SE
Bats Northwest will dispel myths and discern the facts as we learn about the bats that live in the Pacific Northwest and beyond. Discover bats and the important role they play in nature and the food chain. Afterwards we will walk the grounds with a Bat Locator to see and hear the resident bats at work. **Ages:** 6 years and older. Children must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** Donations of \$1/person or \$5/family are suggested to help support Bats Northwest, a local non-profit organization. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7688.
- Aug 3** **Natural Start Preschool Open House, 10 a.m. – noon**
Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24th 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 or 425-891-0764, or NWAC at 425-452-4106 .
- Aug 3** **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.

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- Aug 4** **“Whales: An Unforgettable Journey” (movie)**, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
Experience breathtaking close-up encounters with the largest mammal that ever lived on earth – the Blue Whale. Running time is 50 minutes. **Ages:** 12 years and older. **Cost:** Free! Donations will be gratefully accepted. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Aug 6** **Annual Trillium Celebration (Bellevue Botanical Garden Society Annual Meeting, open to the public)**, 6:30 p.m.
12700 SE 32nd Street (Please note this event is NOT at the Garden.)
This year’s special guest speaker is Steve Lorton, former editor of *Sunset Magazine*. There will be a hosted wine and cheese tasting, followed by dessert, coffee and champagne toast. Non-members are welcome. **Cost:** Free for BBGS members; \$30 for non-members. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To reserve your space:** 425-452-4216. **Info:** annualmeeting@bellevuebotanical.org or 425-452-4216.
- Aug 6** **“Parental Guidance” (Outdoor Movies in the Downtown Park)**,
Pre-movie activity starts at 8 p.m.; movie begins at dusk.
Bellevue Downtown Park, 10201 NE 4th 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 iCareWeCare, 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.
- Aug 7** **Wool and Ewe**, 11 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Kelsey Creek Farm Park Amphitheatre, 410 130th Place SE
The farm staff will introduce you to our resident sheep. Learn things about sheep and experience the feel of real wool. Make a wooly craft to take home. **Ages:** All ages; family event. Children must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** Donations of \$1/person or \$5/family are suggested to help support the farm. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7688.
- Aug 8** **Nancy Stewart presents I Dig Dinosaurs Concert**, 11 a.m. - noon
Kelsey Creek Farm Park Amphitheatre, 410 130th Place SE
Take a musical journey to explore the lighter side of dinosaurs. From songs about dinosaurs driving cars, to the audience-choreographed “Continental Drift,” and, of course, digging for bones, a good time is guaranteed! 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 or 425-452-7688.

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- Aug 8** **Cultural Family Films in the Park – “Around the World in 80 Days” (2004),**
Live music (international performances) at 7:30 p.m.; movie begins at dusk.
Crossroads Community Park, International Area, 16140 NE 8th Street
Bring your family to enjoy a movie outside under the stars. If it’s raining, the movie will be shown in Crossroads Community Center. **Ages:** All ages; movie is rated PG. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4240.
- Aug 10** **Art of Etiquette #1 – Young Ladies and Gentlemen, 9 a.m. – noon**
Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24th Street
Children rarely attend classes on manners, and yet manners are the key to building positive friendships and strong self-esteem. This fun, hands-on workshop teaches telephone etiquette, basic table manners, introductions, personal care and posture. **Ages:** 6 to 11 years. **Cost:** \$50/residents and \$60/non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** www.MyParksandRecreation.com, course #74360. **Info:** NWAC@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-4106.
- Aug 10** **Art of Etiquette #2 – Young Ladies and Gentlemen, 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.**
Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24th Street
This course is a natural follow-up to Young Ladies and Gentlemen #1. One of the first social settings that children encounter is being a guest. Learning how to be a gracious guest, guest of honor or host, are skills they will use lifelong. Boys and girls will learn about invitations, being a great guest and host, meeting and greeting others, polite conversation, giving and receiving gifts, basic table manners while neatly eating birthday cake, and how to create their own thank-you notes. It is not necessary to have taken Ladies and Gentlemen #1 to enroll in Ladies and Gentlemen #2. **Ages:** 6 to 11 years. **Cost:** \$50/residents and \$60/non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** www.MyParksandRecreation.com, course #74356. **Info:** NWAC@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-4106.
- Aug 10** **Wild Tracks (family activity), 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.**
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
Walk with a park ranger through Lewis Creek looking for signs of wildlife: tracks, scat, rubbings, tunnels, etc. Each child will make and take home a plaster track! **Ages:** 6 years and older. **Cost:** \$2 for residents; \$3 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course 74326. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Aug 10** **Owl Prowl (ranger program), 8:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.**
Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16th Street
Take a hike in the dark with a Ranger and look for owls and other nighttime wildlife in the park. Bring a flashlight or a headlamp for the journey, and wear sturdy shoes. **Ages:** Best for ages 6 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-7225.

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- Aug 11** **Animal House (ranger program)**, 2 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118th Avenue SE
Wildlife at the Mercer Slough Nature Park makes all kinds of homes. From the hummingbird to the beaver, they're all master builders! **Ages:** All ages are welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** mseec@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-2565.
- Aug 11** **“Platypus Cafe” (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:** 3 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Aug 13** **Celebrate Summer Dance**, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.
North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th 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.
- Aug 13** **“Chasing Mavericks” (Outdoor Movies in the Downtown Park)**,
Pre-movie activity starts at 8 p.m.; movie begins at dusk.
Bellevue Downtown Park, 10201 NE 4th 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 Treehouse, a local non-profit. Items needed are clothes for kids (for ages 5-18 years old). 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.
- Aug 15** **Linda Severt – the Looney Band Unearthed Show**, 11 a.m. – noon
Kelsey Creek Farm Park Amphitheatre, 410 130th Place SE
The Looney Band, featuring Marchette DuBois and Carter Rodriguez, offer this program in which three archeologists discover musical instruments belonging to an ancient band. Get ready for some hilarious fun and silly songs that will give you a serious case of the giggles! 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 or 425-452-7688.

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- Aug 15** **Cultural Family Films in the Park – “Remember the Titans,”**
Live music (international performances) at 7:30 p.m.; movie begins at dusk.
Crossroads Community Park, International Area, 16140 NE 8th Street
Bring your family to enjoy a movie outside under the stars. If it’s raining, the movie will be shown in Crossroads Community Center. **Ages:** All ages; movie is rated PG. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4240.
- Aug 15-18** **“The Jungle Book” (Bellevue Youth Theatre production),**
August 15, 16, 17 and 18 at 7 p.m., and August 17 and 18 at 2 p.m.
Meydenbauer Theatre, 11100 NE 6th Street
This thrilling adaptation of the classic story has all your friends. Mowgli, Baloo and Bagheera are together in the jungle as they battle the fierce Shere Khan and his allies. **Ages:** All ages; this production is suitable for the whole family. **Cost:** \$10/advanced or \$12 if purchased after August 9. **Info and to buy tickets:** 425-452-7155.
- Aug 16** **Family Movie in the Park – “Madagascar 3: Europe’s Most Wanted,”**
Activities begin at 6:30 p.m.; movie begins at 8 p.m.
Highland Community Park’s Ballfield, 14224 Bel-Red Road
Come one, come all! The Bellevue Family YMCA and Highland Community Center are teaming up to provide an action-packed community event with make and take arts and crafts, an obstacle course, real-life demonstrations by our local police and fire fighters, AND an outdoor showing of *Madagascar 3: Europe’s Most Wanted*. Bring your own blankets, chairs, snacks and smiles! **Ages:** All ages; family event. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Required. To register: Register at the Y’s Welcome Center, or register and print family ticket at <http://www.movienightbellevue.eventbrite.com/>. **Info:** Bellevue Family YMCA - 425-746-9900.
- Aug 16** **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.
- Aug 17** **Pirate’s Life for Me, 10 a.m. – noon**
Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24th Street
A pirate’s life for me! Join us for a whale of a time learning about pirates. Hunt for treasure, play games, do art, sing songs and make a treat to eat and enjoy!
Ages: 3 to 6 years. **Cost:** \$30/residents and \$38/non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** www.MyParksandRecreation.com, course #74962. **Info:** NWAC@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-4106.

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- Aug 17** **Eastside Fuchsia Society Plant Show and Sale**, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Wilburton Instructional Service Center (WISC), 12241 Main Street (1/2 block east of Bellevue Botanical Garden)
This plant show and sale features a great selection of plants from Eastside gardeners. **Info:** www.bellevuebotanical.org or 425-452-2750.
- Aug 17** **South Bellevue Green Spaces Hike**, 10 a.m. - noon
Meeting place: Lattawood Park, 4530 155th Avenue SE
Explore the unknown trails of South Bellevue. Parks and open space ravines guide you (and wildlife!) through friendly neighborhoods. Please dress for the weather, bring water, and wear sturdy shoes. Limited parking; we encourage carpooling. **Distance:** 3 miles. **Level of difficulty:** Difficult (350 feet elevation). **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Aug 17** **Fraser Cabin Heritage Program**, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Fraser Cabin, Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130th 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.
- Aug 18** **Animal House (ranger program)**, 2 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118th Avenue SE
Wildlife at the Mercer Slough Nature Park makes all kinds of home. From the hummingbird to the beaver, they're all master builders! **Ages:** All ages are welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** mseec@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-2565.
- Aug 18** **Raptor Rapture (family activity)**, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
Learn about the special adaptations of these magnificent birds. We will make our own pellets to replicate their lunch! **Ages:** 5 years and older. **Cost:** \$2 for residents; \$3 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course 74327. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

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- Aug 20** **“Won’t Back Down” (Outdoor Movies in the Downtown Park),**
Pre-movie activity starts at 8 p.m.; movie begins at dusk.
Bellevue Downtown Park, 10201 NE 4th 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 Bellevue LifeSpring, a local non-profit. Items needed are grocery gift cards, non-perishable food and toiletries. 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.
- Aug 21** **End of Summer Picnic, 11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.**
North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Avenue NE
ElderMove Alliance will provide grilled hamburgers and a delicious lunch. Try the “Cupcake Walk,” play croquet, golf and bean bag baseball, and win some great bingo prizes! This event is always a lot of fun, with both indoor and outdoor activities. **Ages:** 18 years and older. **Cost:** \$3 fee, payable at time of registration. **Pre-registration:** Required by August 14. **To register:** 425-452-7681, course #74627. **Info:** 425-452-7681.
- Aug 22** **Cultural Family Films in the Park – “Mr Bean’s Holiday,”**
Live music (international performances) at 7:30 p.m.; movie begins at dusk.
Crossroads Community Park, International Area, 16140 NE 8th Street
Bring your family to enjoy a movie outside under the stars. If it’s raining, the movie will be shown in Crossroads Community Center. **Ages:** All ages; movie is rated PG. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4240.
- Aug 24** **Lake to Lake Greenway Trail Walk, 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.**
Shuttles leave from Mercer Slough Blueberry Farm, 2380 Bellevue Way SE
The Lake to Lake Greenway Trail Walk is a 15K walk from Lake Sammamish to Lake Washington, along the Lake to Lake Greenway Trail through Bellevue. Shuttles take walkers from the Mercer Slough Blueberry Farm to Weowna Park between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. From there, participants walk back to the blueberry farm along the Lake to Lake Trail. Strollers and bicycles are not suitable because of stairs and natural surface portions of the trail. Dogs are not allowed on shuttle busses. 10K and 5K routes will also be available. **Ages:** All ages. **Cost:** Free for the general public; \$3 for American Volkssport Association members. **Pre-registration:** Not required. Participants will register on the morning of the event at the shuttle pick-up. **Info:** mseec@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-2565.

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- Aug 24** **Woof Walks in Nature**, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.
Meet at Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130th Place 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:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-7225. **Info:** LHarper@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7225.
- Aug 24** **Old Growth Forests: Hot Topics in Washington Conservation**,
1 p.m. – 2 p.m.
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
There are three million acres of Old Growth Forest to be found in Washington State. Find out where these pockets are, what calls them home and why they still exist today. **Ages:** 10 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Aug 25** **“Collapse” by Jared Diamond (Naturalists’ Book Club)**, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
Environmental damage, climate change, globalization, rapid population growth, and unwise political choices were all factors in the demise of societies around the world, but some found solutions and persisted. Diamond traces the fundamental pattern of catastrophe, and weaves an all-encompassing global thesis through a series of fascinating historical-cultural narratives. **Ages:** 15 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

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- Sept 1** **“A Murder of Crows” (Movie)**, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
Crows are widely thought of as nuisance animals, but recent research has given new insight into the minds of crows. Gain a new understanding of these social animals and their stunning mental capabilities, including facial recognition! 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.
- Sept 6** **“Adventures of Riley: Survival of the Salmon” by Amanda Lumry**
(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
Join Riley and Alice as they attempt to crack a fishy mystery. Why are Pacific Salmon thriving while North Atlantic Salmon are endangered? We always make a fun craft to take home! **Ages:** 3 years and older. **Cost:** \$2 for residents and \$3 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, courses #75865 and #75867. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Sept 7** **Lewis Creek Park Ranger Hike**, 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
Join a Park Ranger in exploring 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.
- Sept 7** **Lake Hills Blueberry Festival/Open House**, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Lake Hills Elementary School, 14310 SE 12th Street
Join us for this event, celebrating “back to school” and our area’s rich blueberry harvest. In addition, Lake Hills Elementary School teachers will be available from 10:45 to 11:30 a.m. to meet with students and their families. Sponsored by numerous community partners, including the City’s Wrap-Around Services program, this event brings together the Lake Hills neighborhood, Lake Hills Elementary School and the broader community. **Ages:** All ages. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-456-5312.

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- Sept 8** **Hot Topics in Washington Conservation: The Wilderness Act,**
2 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118th Avenue SE
The Wilderness Act was signed into law in 1964 “in order to assure that an increasing population, accompanied by expanding settlement and growing mechanization, does not occupy and modify all areas within the United States...” Join us to learn about Washington State’s wilderness areas, their controversies and the future of our wilderness lands. **Ages:** Best for ages 12 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** mseec@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-2565.
- Sept 8** **“Build It Beaver” (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:** 3 years and older. **Cost:** Free! Donations will be gratefully accepted. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Sept 10** **Back to School Dance,** 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.
North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th 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.
- Sept 11** **Honoring Our Elders Community Breakfast,** 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.
Crossroads Community Park, 999 164th Avenue NE
In celebration of our National Day of Service and Remembrance, the City of Bellevue’s Police, Fire and Parks Departments, Microsoft and Hyatt Bellevue are sponsoring a breakfast event. The event features a warm breakfast, catered by the Hyatt’s Eques Restaurant, senior resource fair, entertainment and giveaways provided by Microsoft. Event is rain or shine. **Ages:** Breakfast is for people 60 years and older. **Cost:** Free, while supplies last. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-7681.
- Sept 14** **Harvest Festival,** 10 a.m. - noon
Lake Hills Master Gardeners Urban Demonstration Garden, 15500 SE 16th Street
After a great growing season, come join the Master Gardeners to celebrate the harvest. Past years have included tomato tastings and harvest-related demonstrations. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** Pat Naselow, Master Gardeners – 425-531-1694.

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- Sept 14** **The Food Chain (Family Activity)**, 1p.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 for residents and \$3 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course #75881. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Sept 15** **Tree Walk**, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118th Avenue SE
Come learn about the native trees in your neighborhood! We'll be going on a tree walk to learn how trees fit into our urban ecosystem and why they're so valuable.
Ages: All ages are welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required.
Info: mseec@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-2565.
- Sept 18** **Farm Hands – Welcome to the Farm**, 1:30 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130th Place SE
Our Farm Hands program is designed for school-aged kids with early release on Wednesdays. Blend a touch of work and a dash of play, and mix together for a fun afternoon with Farmer Jayne. We'll learn about our animals, make treats and work in the farm yard. **Ages:** 5 to 8 years old. **Cost:** \$25/residents and \$30/non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** Call 425-452-7688 to register for course #75750. **Info:** kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7688.
- Sept 21** **Coal Creek Park Hike**, 10 a.m. - noon
Meeting place: Redtown Trailhead (Cougar Mountain) on Lakemont Blvd SE
Discover Bellevue's largest park and get lost in the wilderness while still in the city! This area is rich in history and wildlife. Please dress for the weather, bring water, and wear sturdy shoes. Limited parking; we encourage carpooling.
Distance: 5 miles. **Level of difficulty:** Moderate (380 feet elevation). **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Sept 21** **Fraser Cabin Heritage Program**, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.
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- Sept 22** **Mountain Beavers (Living with Wildlife series)**, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
Not all beavers build dams! Come learn about another, more primitive rodent cousin to the North American Beaver that burrows instead of builds. Mountain beavers are not well known, but can create conflict due to their burrows. Learn how to identify signs of these elusive creatures, and how to prevent possible damage. **Ages:** 10 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Sept 27** **Woof Walks in Nature**, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.
Meet at the Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16th Street
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:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-7225. **Info:** LHarper@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7225.
- Sept 27** **“NATURE: Animal House” (movie)**, 5 p.m. – 6 p.m.
Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118th Avenue SE
Some of the most amazing, creative and innovative structures on earth are not manmade or urban at all; they are residences built by animals in the natural world. Popcorn provided! **Ages:** Best for ages 5 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** mseec@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-2565.
- Sept 29** **Tree Walk**, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118th Avenue SE
Come learn about the native trees in your neighborhood! We'll be going on a tree walk to learn how trees fit into our urban ecosystem and why they're so valuable. **Ages:** All ages are welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** mseec@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-2565.

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- Oct 4** **A Log's Life (Children's Activity),**
11 a.m. – noon, and 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. (two sessions, choose one)
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
Learn about the life cycle of a tree, as well as the forest ecosystem. Be inspired to investigate trees in your own backyard! We always make a fun craft to take home. **Ages:** 3 years and older. **Cost:** \$2 for residents; \$3 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course 75868 or 75869. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Oct 5** **The Great Northwest Glass Pumpkin Patch, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.**
Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24th Street
Wander through a pumpkin patch of 2,000 hand-blown, one-of-a-kind glass pumpkins made by artists at the Tacoma Glassblowing Studio. Pick your favorite to bring home or just come and see the beautiful handcrafted art. Rain or shine! **Ages:** All ages; children must be supervised by an adult. **Cost:** Free admission; prices vary for pumpkins, ranging from \$35 to \$200. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** NWAC@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-4106.
- Oct 5** **Lewis Creek Park Ranger Hike, 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 world. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Oct 6** **“Wolves: A Legend Returns to Yellowstone” (movie), 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.**
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
Wolves were hunted to near extinction, but conservation efforts helped to give them a comeback. Learn about the profound impact that the return of these animals to Yellowstone had on the whole park. Running time is 55 minutes. **Ages:** 12 years and older. **Cost:** Free! Donations will be gratefully accepted. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Oct 6** **Bird Identification, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.**
Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118th Avenue SE
Come learn some of the finer points of identifying the bird species of our area. We'll discuss field marks, bird songs and some good places to go birding nearby. We will focus on the birds of the Mercer Slough Nature Park. **Ages:** Best for ages 12 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** mseec@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-2565.

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- Oct 12** **Kelsey Creek Farm Fair**, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park, 410 140th Place SE
Bring your family to the farm and enjoy a variety of old-time activities: live entertainment, heritage demonstrations, kids' crafts, tractor-pulled hay rides, pony rides and barnyard animals! No pets, please. **Ages:** Family event; all ages are welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** Free admission; costs vary for activities. Sorry, no ATM will be on site, and we cannot accept charge cards. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7688.
- Oct 12** **Volunteer for Kelsey Creek Farm Fair Special Event**, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park, 410 140th Place SE
We are seeking energetic, fun teens to assist with children's activities at Kelsey Creek Farm's special event. Volunteers must be able to follow directions, be comfortable in crowds and be on your feet in all types of weather. This is a great way to earn your community service hours. Dress to work outside with the public. Wear sturdy shoes that can get wet. **Ages:** 14 to 18 years old. **Cost:** Free. **Pre-registration:** Required. **Info:** kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7688.
- Oct 12** **Fraser Cabin Heritage Program**, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park, 410 140th Place SE
Visitors are invited to participate in hands-on activities that relate to 1880s settle life: agriculture, dairy, household tasks, log cabins, games and Eastside history. This heritage program is presented by the Eastside Heritage Center, in partnership with Bellevue Parks & Community Services. **Ages:** Family event; all ages are welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** Free. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** Eastside Heritage Center – www.eastsideheritagecenter.org or 425-450-1049.
- Oct 12** **Colorful Fall: Why Do the Leaves Change?**, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
Every fall a beautiful, but mysterious, event occurs. The trees become brilliant shades of red, yellow, orange and brown. Why does this change happen? Learn what makes deciduous trees lose their leaves, and why it is beneficial. **Ages:** 5 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Oct 12** **Autumn Leaves Dance**, 7 p.m. – 10 p.m.
North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th 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.

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- Oct 13** **“Growing Up Wild: It’s a Hoot” (Children’s Movie)**, 2 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
From falcons and eagles to owls, find out how baby animals spend the day with their families. *Growing Up Wild* gives fun and entertaining insight into the animal kingdom. Running time is 30 minutes. **Ages:** 3 years and older. **Cost:** Free! Donations will be gratefully accepted. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Oct 13** **A “Batty” Afternoon (Ranger Program)**, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.
Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118th Avenue SE
In recognition of Halloween, we’ll talk about bats! We’ll learn about what species are here, their habits and habitats, and how we can help conserve these amazing creatures. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** mseec@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-2565.
- Oct 16** **Farm Hands – Happy Halloween, Goats**, 1:30 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130th Place SE
Our Farm Hands program is designed for school-aged kids with early release on Wednesdays. Blend a touch of work and a dash of play, and mix together for a fun afternoon with Farmer Jayne. We’ll learn about our animals, make treats and work in the farm yard. **Ages:** 5 to 8 years old. **Cost:** \$25/residents and \$30/non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** Call 425-452-7688 to register for course #75721. **Info:** kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7688.
- Oct 18** **Who’s That at Your Birdfeeder?**, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.
Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16th Street
Bring Mom or Dad and join a Park Ranger to find out who lives in your backyard and might visit your bird feeder. You and your parent can make a birdfeeder to take home while the Ranger reads a story about birds. All children must be accompanied by a registered adult. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** \$2 for residents; \$3 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-7225. **Info:** LHarper@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7225.
- Oct 19** **Lewis Creek to Lakemont Community Park Hike**, 10 a.m. to noon
Meeting place: 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. **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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- Oct 19** **Green Hour**, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
Join us the third Saturday of every month from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. 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.
- Oct 20** **Hot Topics in Washington State: Owls**, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
In recent history a new species of owl has moved into Washington State, while there have been more frequent sightings of another species that usually stays further north. Come find out who these creatures are, their habits, and how their habits can affect other species. **Ages:** 10 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Oct 20** **A “Batty” Afternoon (Ranger Program)**, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.
Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118th Avenue SE
In recognition of Halloween, we’ll talk about bats! We’ll learn about what species are here, their habits and habitats, and how we can help conserve these amazing creatures. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** mseec@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-2565.
- Oct 23** **Halloween Howl**, 7 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
Highland Community Center, 14224 Bel-Red Road
Dress up if you want, and dance with friends to a great night of fun music. Light refreshments will be provided. This dance is designed for teens and adults with intellectual disabilities. **Ages:** 16 years and older. **Cost:** \$9 for residents and \$11 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Preferred. **To register:** www.MyParksandRecreation.com . **Info:** 425-452-6105.
- Oct 25** **“Nature: Jungle Eagle” (nature film)**, 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118th Avenue SE
Harpy eagles are one of the most powerful birds of prey in the world. Standing three feet tall, with a six-foot wingspan and razor-sharp talons the size of bear claws, these birds are the heavyweight hunters of the South American rainforest. This film contains predator-prey interactions which may not be appropriate for some younger viewers. Popcorn provided! **Ages:** Best for ages 7 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** mseec@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-2565.

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- Oct 25 – Nov 2** **“The Mummy’s Revenge” (Bellevue Youth Theatre production),**
October 25, November 1 and 2 at 7 p.m.; and October 27, November 2 at 2 p.m.
Bellevue Youth Theatre, 16661 Northrup Way
Locked away in a museum, the mummy comes to life in a thrilling and enchanting Halloween adventure. **Ages:** This show is suitable for audiences of all ages. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** \$10/advance tickets, or \$12 if purchased after October 18. **Info and to buy tickets:** 425-452-7155.
- Oct 25** **Owl Prowl (ranger program), 7:30 p.m. – 9 p.m.**
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
Discover what owl species live in the Pacific Northwest. Then take a night hike with a Ranger to look for owls and other nighttime wildlife in the park. Bring a flashlight or a headlamp and wear sturdy shoes for the journey! **Ages:** Best for ages 6 years and older. **Cost:** \$5 for residents and \$6 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. To register: 425-452-6885, course #75883. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Oct 30** **Halloween Luncheon, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.**
North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Avenue NE
Come out and enjoy lunch, and wear your favorite Halloween costume! Enjoy a great meal and fun music. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Suggested donation of \$3 per person for those 60 years and older; fee of \$6 for those under 60, payable at the door. **Pre-registration:** Required by October 21. **Info and to register:** 425-452-7681.

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YEAR-ROUND EVENTS

Daily, times vary

Kelsey Creek Farm Pioneer Days

Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130th 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 or 425-452-7688.

Daily, times vary

Kids on the Farm – Group Tours

Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130th 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 or 425-452-7688.

Daily, times vary

Fall on the Farm Group Tours

Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130th Place SE

Experience harvest season in a traditional way. Visit a pony, feed the chickens and work on barn “chores” with child-sized pails and rakes. Tour the garden and pumpkin patch. Children finish up by choosing a pumpkin from our harvest-themed indoor pumpkin patch! Extra fee for pumpkins. **Ages:** 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 or 425-452-7688.

3rd Sunday of each month

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

Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park (Farm House), 410 130th 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.

Every 1st 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 110th 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 .

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 , or visit 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 110th 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 .

Every Tuesday

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

Bellevue City Hall, Room 1E-121, 450 110th 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 .

4th Tuesday each month

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

Bellevue City Hall, 450 110th Avenue NE, Council Chambers

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

1st and 3rd Wednesday each month

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

Bellevue City Hall, 450 110th 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 .

1st Thursday each month

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

Bellevue City Hall, 450 110th Avenue NE, Room 1E-120

Info: 425-452-7681 or visit www.bellevuewa.gov/network_on_aging.htm.

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1st 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. (The walk on Saturday, July 20, will be our “Pollinators in the Garden” program.)

Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16th Street

Do you know the story behind the Phantom at Phantom Lake? Have you ever seen our feathered migratory visitors? Can you spot a nurse log? Join a Park Ranger for a free guided tour of the Greenbelt. Discover the history of the park, view community gardens, and share stories about our 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 118th 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 or 425-452-2565.

Saturdays and Sundays (May through September)

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

Enatai Beach Park, 3519 108th 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 or call 425-452-2565. **Info:** mseec@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-2565.

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Every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday

Luncheon, Noon

North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th 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.