



FROGFEST

July 8th - 10th, 2011

Cedarville  Les Cheneaux Islands  Hessel

WALKS...TALKS...AND.. HOP-A-LONGS...

FRIDAY, JULY 8TH

- 6:00 pm-7:00 pm The Health of the Les Cheneaux Channels
Community Center
- 7:00 pm-7:30 pm Les Cheneaux Watershed Annual Meeting
Community Center

SATURDAY, JULY 9TH

- 8:00 am-10:00 am A Midsummer Hop-A-Long with the Nature Conservancy
Gerstacker Preserve/11.5 miles east of Cedarville on M-134
- 10:00 am-12:00 pm Nature Observation Trip to Bush Bay
Cedar Campus (West Entrance)
- 11:00 am-3:00 pm 17 Exhibits / Frog Artwork
- 11:00 am-3:00 pm Learn to Fly Fish / Two-Hearted Chapter Trout's Unlimited
- 11:00 am-3:00 pm Two-Hearted Trout's Unlimited - Minnow Races & Tie Your Own Flies
- 11:00 am-3:00 pm Whitefish Fry put on by the Lion's Club
- 11:00 am-3:00 pm Reptiles Galore - HUGE Tortoises!
- 11:00 am-3:00 pm Nature Discovery Exhibit - Hands-on Exhibit
Sponsored by Islands Wildlife
- 11:00 am-3:00 pm Frog Croaks "What are They Saying?"/Mud, Muck & Other Wonders
- 11:00 am-3:00 pm Early Detection & Rapid Response with Invasives
- 11:00 am-3:00 pm Mammal Furs and Skulls / Go Wild, Get Native
- 11:00 am-3:00 pm Tadpole Olympics - Free Kids Games & Croaky Crafts
- 12:00 pm-1:00 pm Watershed Enviroscape - Learn how your local watershed works
- 1:00 pm-3:00 pm Music by Marty Feldhake
- 1:00 pm-1:30 pm Les Cheneaux Community Foundation Award Presentations

SUNDAY, JULY 10TH

- 1:00 pm-3:00 pm Invasive Phragmites Hands-On Workshop
Meet at Autore Oil Parking Lot
- 2:00 pm-4:00 pm Judging of Frog Art by Car and Water

Note: All events at Autore Oil Parking Lot/M-134 unless otherwise noted



The Health of the Les Cheneaux Channels: All You Want to Know About Phragmites, Eurasian Milfoil and other Invasives: Cedarville Bay Restoration

Friday, July 8th 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Location: Les Cheneaux Community Center

Join Les Cheneaux Watershed Council's Bob Smith in learning about how the Eurasian Milfoil Weevils are controlling Eurasian Milfoil growth in Cedarville Bay. Our new invader, Phragmites and what we all need to do to stop the invasion. Mr. Smith will provide background information regarding water quality issues in the bay and potential management solutions to protect water quality. Our Annual Meeting of the Watershed will immediately follow Bob's talk.

A Midsummer Hop-A-Long

Saturday, July 9th 8:00 am - 10:00 am

Location: Nature Conservancy's Gerstacker Preserve, Park on M-134

Join Chris Cantway, TNC Upper Peninsula Land Steward and explore the ecology of birds at migratory stopover sites. Chris can answer questions and share his wildlife observations on the preserve. View birds that traveled from as far as South America. The Gerstacker Preserve is located 11.5 miles east of Cedarville.

Nature Observation Trip to Bush Bay

Saturday, July 9th 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Location: Cedar Campus (West Entrance)

Join Marty Feldhake on a journey to the extraordinary Nature Observation Trip to Bush Bay & the Narnia Trail. Explore unique Great Lakes Alvar, home to "extreme" adapted species, globally rare plants, birds and invertebrates. Alvar are globally rare and only found in sparse locations in the Great Lakes basin, and overseas in Estonia and Sweden. Traverse a trail through cedar forests to lakeshore and ancient limestone boulders with rare ferns.

Invasive Phragmites Hands-on Workshop and ID of Rare Endangered Plants of the EUP

Sunday, July 10th 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Location: Meet in Parking Lot of Autore Oil/M-134 for car pooling

Join the staff from Michigan Natural Features Inventory (Michigan State University Extension) to explore local sites with native and non-native phragmites stands. "Participants will learn to ID these plants, gain a better understanding of the biology of non-native phragmites and learn how it threatens coastal wetlands. We will also discuss current efforts to control this new invader. While we are out we will also identify and discuss the native plants and animals, including rare and declining species that inhabit these coastal wetland communities.



This festival made possible by the sponsorship of the Les Cheneaux Watershed Council.

For more information please call 1-888-36-ISLANDS or 906-484-3935 or stop by the Welcome Center.

Frogfest was possible with the help from a grant from Les Cheneaux Community Foundation.

Cedar Campus (West Entrance) - Nature Observation Trip to Bush Bay

- From the school parking lot, go east on highway M-134.
- It is approximately 6 miles to the Cedar Campus west entrance (2 miles past the entrance to the dolomite quarry).
- There is a large Cedar Campus sign on the south side of the highway.
- There will be a Frogfest directional sign there as well.
- Parking will be at the end of the Cedar Campus road on the right hand side.
- If you are coming from the Gerstacker Preserve, you will drive back toward Cedarville.
- You will come first to the Cedar Campus east entrance (approximately .6 miles from the preserve).
- Go one more mile to the west entrance.

Gerstacker Preserve - Early Bird Gets the Midge With The Nature Conservancy

- The Nature Conservancy Gerstacker Preserve is located off Highway M-134, 11.5 miles east of M-129 (the blinker light in Cedarville).
- The preserve entrance will be on the north (non-water) side of the road.
- Park on south (water) side of M-134. Look for the Nature Conservancy sign.

MAP TO EVENTS

There will be pointing frog markers to help you hop your way.

