

To: Kendall County Forest Preserve District
Programming and Events Committee

From: Emily Dombrowski, Environmental Education Coordinator
April Morris, Environmental Education Coordinator

RE: Environmental Education Program Updates
Eastview Kindergarten Center – Animals in Winter Program Updates
2015-2016 Program Comparison
2016 Summer Camp Registration In-Progress Report

Date: February 29, 2016

Attached, please find a comparison chart for our Animals in Winter outreach programs for 2015 and 2016, as well as a Summer Camp registration progress update report.

On Tuesday, February 23rd the Environmental Education Department taught at Eastview Kindergarten center. The program was held for 503 kindergarten students from 9 am - 3 pm.

A few weeks ago, we reported that this outreach program was cancelled due to the increased cost for the program from \$1 per student to \$3 per student.

The school district informed us that they were moving ahead with the scheduled program, and the education department received the email the afternoon following our outreach program:

From: Janet DeMont [mailto:jdemont@sd308.org]
Sent: Tuesday, February 23, 2016 2:22 PM
To: Rebecca Antrim
Subject: Re: Animals in Winter Field Trip - February 23, 2016

Our students are so enjoying the Animal's in Winter field trip today. The staff that you have sent and the hands on activities are so engaging and worth the extra charge. I am happy that I was able to fund it for our school. Please pass on our Thanks to the staff.
Janet DeMont

Animals in Winter Program Comparison (Winter 2015 and Winter 2016)

School	Date (2016)	Program	# of students	Revenue (\$3 a student)
Southbury Elementary	Mon, Jan. 25th	K- Animals in Winter	161	\$483
Newark Grade School	Wed, Jan. 27th	K- Animals in Winter	32	\$96
East View Kindergarten Center	Tues, Feb. 23rd	K- Animals in Winter	503	\$1,509
Cross Lutheran	Fri, March 4th	K- Animals in Winter	12	\$36
			Total	\$2,124

School	Date (2015)	Program	# of students	Revenue (\$1 a student)
Prairie Point Elementary	Thurs, Jan. 15th	K- Animals in Winter	19	\$19
Lakewood Creek	Wed, Jan. 21st	K- Animals in Winter	26	\$26
Boulder Hill Elementary	Thurs, Jan. 22nd	K- Animals in Winter	108	\$108
East View Kindergarten Center	Fri, Jan. 23rd	K- Animals in Winter	567	\$567
Southbury Elementary	Tues, Feb. 3rd	K- Animals in Winter	175	\$175
Circle Center Grade School	Fri, Feb. 20th	K- Animals in Winter	100	\$100
			Total	\$995

Summer Camp Registrations -- as of 2/25/16

	<u># Registered</u>
Sunset Adventures	0
Walk in the Wild – Full day	4
Mad Science – Half Day	0 – both sessions
Hydro Rock	0 - June 20-24 2 – Aug 1-5
Adventure Road	0 – June 13-17 6 – Aug 1-5
Follow the Fox	0 – June 20-21 3 – July 25-26
Nature Quest	16 – June 27-July 1 - FULL – waitlist – 2 2 – July 11-15
Habitat Exploration	3
Wee Wonders of Water	3
Animal Senses	2 – June 13-17 0 - June 27-July 1 and July 25-29
Wet, Wetter, Wettest	0 – July 11-15, July 18-22 2 – Aug 1-5
Magic School Bus – ½ day	0 – both sessions
Magic School Bus – full	3
Wild Kratts	0 – July 11-15 7 – Aug 1-5

To: Programming and Events Committee

From: Megan Gessler, Natural Beginnings Program Manager

RE: Natural Beginnings Updates

Date: March 1, 2016

Student enrollment at NB is almost at max capacity! The newly added T/Th afternoon class at NB is already completely full. Both morning classes are also full. There are only two spots left in our M/W/F afternoon class at the moment.

Natural Beginnings was featured in a national article produced by Natural Start.

<http://naturalstart.org/feature-stories/catching-tracks-forest-classroom> Please check it out when you have time.

This Friday, Megan is an invited guest attending an advisory meeting at Waubensee Community College sponsored by Valley Education for Employment System (VALEES). Early childhood education instructors and professors from around the region attend the advisory meeting to gather input and advice from practicing early childhood educators that will help prepare students for future careers as early childcare providers.

Program staff members are working to secure competitive quotes for purchasing two new digital Olympus TG-870 Tough Waterproof digital cameras used to document student activities, and promote the program.



Board Updates – January, 2016

House Bookings:

- January 16, 2016 – Birthday Party – Channahon - I did the Reindeer Run at Ellis House. After doing the run, and my daughters brownie troop had an afternoon with the horses I wanted to rent Ellis House for my husband's party. Booked: 12/2/13
- February 27, 2016 – Baby Shower
- March 6, 2016 – Birthday Party
- March 12, 2016 – Wedding at Meadowhawk
- March 19, 2016 – Baby shower
- April 16, 2016 – Baby Shower
- April 17, 2016 – Bridal Shower
- April 23, 2016 – Baby Shower
- April 30, 2016 – Wedding
- May 13, 2016 – Conservation Foundation
- May 21, 2016 – Wedding – Joliet. Well the first time we heard about it was my sister saying that her high school class was thinking about having their reunion there. But then we basically googled outside wedding venues. When we saw that there was going to be a bridal expo there it was a no brainer that we should go and see! Booked: 4/10/15
- May 28, 2016 – Wedding – Minooka – I went to a wedding there for Kyle McKenna Booked: 6/26/15
- May 29, 2016 – Wedding – Plano – The knot. Booked: 7/17/2015
- June 11, 2016 – Wedding – Michael has been to two different wedding, and my future mother-in-law found a wedding expo flyer online. Shorewood – Booked: 5/24/15
- June 25, 2016 – Wedding – Plainfield. We went to the event that you held a little while ago and got information that way. It was the expo if I recall! Booked: 3/7/15
- July 2, 2016 – Wedding – Oswego – I think I found it on the knot or rustic weddings site and Mark from Uncle Bubs brought it up later. Booked: 11/22/2015
- July 9, 2016 – Wedding – Tinley Park – Dan found your venue from searching the internet. He thinks he saw it listed on rustic bride. Booked: 6/6/2015
- August 20, 2016 – Wedding – Worth – The Bridal expo! :) Booked: 7/1/15

- August 27, 2016 – Wedding – Morris – Dollinger Pumpkin Farm referred me after I had contacted them on a possible venue with them. Booked: 8/19/15
- September 3, 2016 – Wedding – Channahon – I think it was the knot online! Booked: 6/4/15
- Saturday, September 10, 2016 – Wedding - Channahon – A friend's sister is getting married there this spring. Booked: 10/14/2015
- September 17, 2016 – Wedding – Plainfield – We found out about Ellis through a Google search! Booked: 10/27/14
- September 24, 2016 – Wedding – Chicago – We actually heard about it from Taryn Krippel and Darren Hancock, who will be having their wedding at the Ellis house in 2016 as well! Thanks! Booked: 7/22/15
- October 7, 2016 – Wedding – Elwood – I heard about the facility from Amanda Millers wedding and also got info from Tarissa Phillips, who got married there as well. Booked: 12/14/14
- October 8, 2016 – Wedding – Winfield – Brittany and Tim Sullivan. Booked: 11/30/2015
- Saturday, May 13, 2017 – Wedding - Channahon – From Kaytee (I have work with her sister Melissa) Booked: 10/14/2015
- May 13, 2017 - Wedding
- June 3, 2017 – Wedding – Minooka. We heard about Ellis House through weddingwire.com and theknot.com. After meeting with you and seeing how beautiful the property is, it was easy to decide Ellis is where we want to have our wedding. Booked: 4/11/2015
- June 24, 2017 - Wedding

Total Bookings:

2017 –
 Weddings = 3

2016 –
 Birthday Parties = 2
 Baby Showers – 4
 Bridal Showers – 1
 Corporate – 1
 Weddings at MHL - 1
 Weddings = 16 / \$57,600.00

2015 –
 Birthday Parties = 1
 Bridal Showers = 2
 Graduation Parties = 1
 Weddings = 14 / \$46,200.00

2014 –

Baby Showers = 1
Bridal Showers = 1
Weddings = 15

2013 –

Baby Showers = 1
Bridal Showers = 2
Church Retreats = 1
Weddings = 21

2012 –

Anniversary Parties = 1
Baby Showers = 3
Church Retreats = 1
Graduation Parties = 2
Weddings = 9

Special Events:

Sunday, February 21, 2016 – Bridal Expo

Meetings/Training/Expos/Annual Events:

House/Property Tours:

- 12 – EHEC
- 1 - Meadowhawk

Kendall County Forest Preserve

Meadowhawk Lodge Reservations

March - November 2016

Reservation Date	Use Type	Contact Name	Revenue (Tentative)
2-Mar-16	Democratic Meeting	C. Sutcliff	\$93.75
11-Mar-16	Wedding Ceremony & Reception	J. Connon	\$1,540.00
19-Mar-16	Anniversary Party	C. Gallegos	\$375.00
24-Apr-16	Birthday Party	L. Blaquiere	\$300.00
7-May-16	Family Outing	J. Zimmerman	\$450.00
9-Jul-16	Wedding Ceremony & Reception	R. Olin	\$1,500.00
31-Jul-16	Bridal Shower	C. Kurtovich	\$360.00
13-Aug-16	Wedding Ceremony & Reception	D. Moore	\$1,600.00
23-Sep-16	Church Retreat	S. Shevade	\$750.00
		TOTAL	\$6,968.75

Facility Schedule

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 11285 Fox Road
 Yorkville, IL 60560

Contact:
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Primary:
Secondary:
Other:

Date	Time Begin / End	Location Facility / Room	Permit Head Count	Status	Use Type Description	Contact Name Phone Number	Setup Instructions
3/2/2016 Wednesday	7:00 PM 9:30 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	16-00073 30	Tentative	Other Lodge	Kendall County Democrats / Chuck Sutcliff (630) 207-1124or(630) 553-1724	
3/3/2016 Thursday	6:00 PM 8:00 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	16-00004 25	Firm	Business Meeting Conference Room	Pam Parr (630) 391-2167or(630) 554-2335	
3/8/2016 Tuesday	10:00 AM 11:00 AM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	0	Firm	Public Program 25 - Toddling Naturalist - Wigglin' Worms		
3/11/2016 Friday	9:30 AM 3:00 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	15-00031 20	Tentative	Wedding Ceremony Lodge	John Connon (815) 768-5867or(815) 941-2129	
3/12/2016 Saturday	8:00 AM 10:00 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	15-00031 50	Tentative	Wedding Ceremony Lodge	John Connon (815) 768-5867or(815) 941-2129	Set up on Friday, if needed
3/15/2016 Tuesday	1:00 PM 2:00 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	0	Firm	Public Program 26 - Babes in the Woods - Aits & Crafts		
3/19/2016 Saturday	9:30 AM 11:30 AM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	0	Firm	Public Program 27 - Maple Syrup Program		
3/19/2016 Saturday	4:00 PM 5:00 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	16-00078 100	Tentative	Anniversary Party Lodge	Christina Gallegos (630) 340-9695or(630) 854-0766	
3/19/2016 Saturday	5:00 PM 10:00 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	16-00078 100	Tentative	Anniversary Party Lodge	Christina Gallegos (630) 340-9695or(630) 854-0766	
3/21/2016 Monday	9:00 AM 11:30 AM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	0	Firm	Public Program 23 - Sense of Adventure - Spring Break		
3/21/2016 Monday	1:00 PM 3:30 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	0	Firm	Public Program 24 - Junior Naturalist - Spring Break		
3/22/2016 Tuesday	9:00 AM 11:30 AM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	0	Firm	Public Program 23 - Sense of Adventure - Spring Break		
3/22/2016 Tuesday	1:00 PM 3:30 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	0	Firm	Public Program 24 - Junior Naturalist - Spring Break		

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3/23/2016 Wednesday	9:00 AM 11:30 AM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	0	Firm	Public Program 23 - Sense of Adventure - Spring Break		
3/23/2016 Wednesday	1:00 PM 3:30 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	0	Firm	Public Program 24 - Junior Naturalist - Spring Break		
3/31/2016 Thursday	10:00 AM 11:00 AM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	0	Firm	Public Program 28 - Toddling Naturalist - Maple Syrup Making		
4/7/2016 Thursday	5:00 PM 10:00 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	16-00080 50	Firm	Other Lodge	Environmental Education Dept / Emily Dombrowski (815) 274-5375or(630) 553-4025	
4/19/2016 Tuesday	3:00 PM 8:00 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	16-00022 40	Firm	Other Lodge	Environmental Education Dept / Emily Dombrowski (815) 274-5375or(630) 553-4025	
4/24/2016 Sunday	12:30 PM 4:30 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	16-00059 80	Tentative	Birthday Party Lodge	Lindsay Blaquiere (630) 768-4436or(630) 487-7556	
4/29/2016 Friday	12:00 PM 5:00 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	16-00082 200	Firm	Other Lodge	Kendall County Juvenile Justice / Brenda Karales (630) 553-4157	
4/30/2016 Saturday	8:00 AM 2:00 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	16-00082 200	Firm	Other Lodge	Kendall County Juvenile Justice / Brenda Karales (630) 553-4157	
5/7/2016 Saturday	2:00 PM 3:00 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	16-00092 80	Tentative	Family Outing Lodge	Jakob Zimmermann (630) 606-6912or(630) 606-8196	
5/7/2016 Saturday	3:00 PM 7:00 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	16-00092 80	Tentative	Family Outing Lodge	Jakob Zimmermann (630) 606-6912or(630) 606-8196	
5/7/2016 Saturday	7:00 PM 8:00 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	16-00092 80	Tentative	Family Outing Lodge	Jakob Zimmermann (630) 606-6912or(630) 606-8196	
7/9/2016 Saturday	12:00 PM 10:00 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	16-00107 60	Tentative	Wedding Ceremony Lodge	Ryan Olin (331) 452-4960or(779) 435-0732	
7/31/2016 Sunday	11:30 AM 3:30 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve Meadowhawk Lodge	16-00106 40	Tentative	Bridal Shower Lodge	Charmaine Kurtovich (847) 286-2615or(773) 330-1690	

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8/13/2016	12:00 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve	16-00094	Tentative	Wedding Ceremony	Daniel Moore	
Saturday	10:00 PM	Meadowhawk Lodge	50		Lodge	(920) 364-3633or(920) 851-6757	
9/11/2016	6:00 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve	16-00004	Firm	Business Meeting	Pam Parr	
Thursday	8:00 PM	Meadowhawk Lodge	25		Conference Room	(630) 391-2167or(630) 554-2335	
9/23/2016	8:00 AM	Hoover Forest Preserve	16-00090	Tentative	Retreat	Siddhesh Shevade	
Friday	10:00 PM	Meadowhawk Lodge	125		Bunkhouse, Lodge	(630) 386-3036or(713) 909-8277	
9/24/2016	8:00 AM	Hoover Forest Preserve	16-00090	Tentative	Retreat	Siddhesh Shevade	
Saturday	10:00 PM	Meadowhawk Lodge	90		Bunkhouse, Lodge	(630) 386-3036or(713) 909-8277	
9/25/2016	8:00 AM	Hoover Forest Preserve	16-00090	Tentative	Retreat	Siddhesh Shevade	
Sunday	10:00 PM	Meadowhawk Lodge	90		Bunkhouse, Lodge	(630) 386-3036or(713) 909-8277	
10/6/2016	6:00 PM	Hoover Forest Preserve	16-00004	Firm	Business Meeting	Pam Parr	
Thursday	8:00 PM	Meadowhawk Lodge	25		Conference Room	(630) 391-2167or(630) 554-2335	
10/8/2016	8:00 AM	Hoover Forest Preserve	16-00004	Firm	Business Meeting	Pam Parr	
Saturday	6:00 PM	Meadowhawk Lodge	25		Conference Room	(630) 391-2167or(630) 554-2335	