

Driftless Dialogue **Hike** Series

at the Kickapoo Valley Reserve



◇ We are doing an all outdoor lecture series this spring! Each talk begins at 10:00am;

Hikes are free and open to the public thanks to a generous grant from the *Kickapoo Valley Reforestation (Nuzum) Fund*.

- ◇ **Registration for each talk/hike is required.** Please call the KVR Visitor Center 608-625-2960 or email: kickapoo.reserve@krm.state.wi.us and let us know if you plan to attend and how many people are in your group. Each hike is capped at 20 people.
- ◇ Talks/Hikes are recorded and uploaded to the KVR website and air on the local community channel.
- ◇ If we need to cancel/reschedule the talk, we will email each participant who registered & post on Facebook the status of each talk/hike.

This series is made possible by a grant from the Kickapoo Valley Reforestation (Nuzum) Fund, the UW-Madison College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, and the Friends of Kickapoo Valley Reserve.

Saturday, April 24th - Habitat Improvements

Jeff Hastings, Project Manager for Trout Unlimited, will focus on inclusive habitat improvements through stream restoration work. **Note: this talk will meet at the intersection of 24-Valley and La Flash Road.** Limit 20.

Saturday, May 8th - Spring Ephemerals

Cathy Chybowski, Naturalist and life science teacher, will take participants on a walk in the woods to look for a profusion of spring ephemerals and more! Learn what an ephemeral flower is, why we see them in the spring, why they bloom in the woods, and so much more! Limit 20.

Saturday, May 15th - Birding

Barbara Duerksen, long-time birder and former Youth Education Coordinator for the Wisconsin Society for Ornithology, will lead a hike that will highlight migration, bird identification, habitat, nesting and territories. Limit 20.

Saturday, May 22nd - Dam History

Brad Steinmetz, local historian and author, will offer a short presentation on the history of the La Farge lake and dam project. His talk and hike will feature the amazingly convoluted story of the federal water control project proposed for the Kickapoo River. He has lots of fascinating information on the project to share. **Note: this talk meets at campsite AA for a walking tour of the dam site.** Limit 20.

Saturday, June 5th - National Trails Day

Stay tuned for more details on an all outdoor event focusing on the miles and miles of multi-use trails throughout the Kickapoo Valley Reserve!

Saturday, June 12th - Invasive Plants: Identification and Management

Anne Pearce, Invasive Species Outreach Specialist at UW-Madison, will focus on identifying invasive plants and how you can work on invasive plant management throughout the growing season. The talk will feature a short hike from the Visitor Center parking lot. Limit 20.

Saturday, June 26th - Riparian Forests, Stream restoration, and Persistent Flooding in the Kickapoo Valley

Eric Booth, Department of Agronomy at UW-Madison & Caroline Gottschalk Druschke, Department of English will utilize the Wolf Valley section of the Weister Creek restoration to see some lingering symbols of flooding and changes to the Valley. **Note: this talk meets at the intersection of County Road P-West & Wolf Valley Road.** Limit 20.

Meet at the Kickapoo Reserve Visitor Center (unless otherwise noted)
S3661 State Highway 131, La Farge, Wisconsin 54639

For more information or to register, contact the Kickapoo Valley Reserve at
608-625-2960 or email: Kickapoo.reserve@krm.state.wi.us

COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS: Please wear a face mask & distance at least 6 ft. from people not in your own household. Do not attend if you are experiencing any symptoms.



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