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**Learn native Illinois snake facts with Forest Preserve class, Aug. 11**

GENEVA, IL — According to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, our state is home to thirty-nine different species of snakes, ranging from the harmless garter snake, to the deadly cottonmouth. Come learn more at the Forest Preserve District “Native Snakes of Illinois” class on Aug. 11.

Harper College Professor of Biology Jace Robinson will introduce class participants to the native snakes of Illinois, as well as the ecosystems they inhabit. Robinson will also discuss feeding habits, habitat preferences, activity levels, and capture methods for the different species. A portion of the class will be outdoors, weather permitting.

“Native Snakes of Illinois” takes place at Peck Farm Park in Geneva from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Registration is \$10. Checks should be made payable to the Geneva Park District.

This program is a part of the “Learn from the Experts” series — classes that are taught by experts in the field and offer in-depth information and learning opportunities about our local ecology. This award-winning program series is cosponsored by the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, the St. Charles Park District, the Geneva Park District, and the Fox Valley Park District.

Peck Farm Park is located at 4038 Kaneville Rd. in Geneva.

To register, call (847) 741 - 8350 or e-mail [programs@kaneforest.com](mailto:programs@kaneforest.com). To view a full roster of District programs, visit [www.kaneforest.com](http://www.kaneforest.com)

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