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Forest Preserve programs help preschoolers explore the natural world

GENEVA, IL — Prairies, turtles, spiders and leaves, will be the themes for this fall's nature programs for preschoolers, from the Forest Preserve District of Kane County.

In "Nature Tykes," 3-year olds explore the natural world through a variety of activities with their parent or caregiver. Sessions include a combination of stories, nature hikes, songs, games and crafts. On Thursday, Aug. 24, "Prairie Wonderland," will be our theme. On Thursday, Sept. 28, "Turtle Time," will be our theme. On Thursday, Oct. 26, "Spider Mania," will be our theme. And on Thursday, Nov. 30, "Leaf-o-Rama" will be our theme. "Nature Tykes" programs run from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at Creek Bend Nature Center. Registration is \$5 per child, per session.

"Little Naturalists" is the Forest Preserve District's hour-long program for 4-5 year olds. Children will discover the wonders of nature through a variety of activities including songs, hikes, stories, games and crafts. This program is solely for the young participants. Parents, caregivers and siblings may enjoy the trails of LeRoy Oakes Forest Preserve, or wait inside the nature center, during the program. On Thursday, Aug. 24, the program topic will be "Prairie Wonderland." On Thursday, Sept. 28, our theme will be "Turtle Time." On Thursday, Oct. 26, "Spider Mania," will be our theme. Finally, on Thursday, Nov. 30, "Leaf-o-Rama," will be our theme. "Little Naturalists" programs run from 1-2 p.m. at Creek Bend Nature Center. Registration is \$5 per child, per session.

To register, call 630-444-3190 or e-mail programs@kaneforest.com. Creek Bend Nature Center is located within LeRoy Oakes Forest Preserve at 37W700 Dean St., St. Charles.

To see a full roster of Forest Preserve District nature programs, visit www.kaneforest.com.

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