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**Discover Prairies and Wetlands in Winter with the Forest Preserve District**

GENEVA, IL — Learn about the inherent differences between prairies and wetlands during two free programs offered by the Forest Preserve District of Kane County.

On Saturday, Feb. 5, bundle-up for a guided walk on the windswept prairie. We'll learn how animals and plants overwinter, look for tracks in the snow, and keep an eye to the sky for winter birds of prey. The "Prairie in Winter" program is from 10-11 a.m. at Freeman Kame-Meagher Forest Preserve, 40W095 Freeman Rd., Gilberts.

On the following Saturday, Feb. 12, we'll turn our attention to "Wetlands in Winter." The marsh is home to scores of mammals and birds. This naturalist-led walk will include a search for winter wildlife and an overview of wetland ecology. The "Wetland in Winter" program is from 10-11 a.m. at Dick Young Forest Preserve, 39W115 Main St., Batavia.

Both programs are free, please RSVP as soon as possible if you plan to attend. Programs are added or cancelled depending on advance numbers. Call 847-741-8350 or e-mail [programs@kaneforest.com](mailto:programs@kaneforest.com) to register.

To view a full roster of Forest Preserve nature programs, visit [www.kaneforest.com](http://www.kaneforest.com).

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