

## 2012 Summer Camp Opportunities

The Vermilion County Conservation District's Summer programs offer outdoor fun for children Pre-school through 8th Grade. With almost 4,500 acres between Kennekuk County Park and Forest Glen Preserve, children will gain appreciation and knowledge of wildlife and the great outdoors.

Our camp programs give children the opportunity to explore their natural world through hands-on discoveries, hiking excursions, and art experiences.

If you have any questions regarding our camp programs, please contact Forest Glen Preserve at 662-2142.

### Toddling Into Nature – Children ages 3-5

Kennekuk County Park's Nature Center, 10:00am or 2:00pm

This camp will introduce young children, ages 3-5, to the natural world, exploring through songs, activities, crafts, and more with a parent or guardian. Each class is organized around a theme and emphasizes active learning through sensory experiences, and movement activities. Children create with art materials, enjoy simple stories, and explore the great outdoors. All sessions are primarily held inside the air-conditioned Nature Center. Most sessions will include a small snack. Toddlers may sign up for one camp or all three. Fee is \$5.00/child per session, due upon registration. To register, please send camp registration fees, child's name and age, guardian's name and phone number to: Lara Darling, VCCD, 22296A Henning Road, Danville, IL 61834. Please be sure to indicate the date and time of session(s). Checks need to be made out to VCCD. Please call Lara at 442-1691 for more information.

Each date will have two sessions: 10:00am or 2:00pm.

#### **Wonderful Wetlands - June 5 or June 7**

We will explore and discover the amazing plants and animals around the wetlands

#### **Busy, Bumbling Bees - June 12 or June 14**

Buzzzz into this camp to learn all about our amazing pollinators

#### **Hoppers and Ploppers - June 19 or June 21**

Kids change a lot as they grow but it's nothing like how a frog transforms throughout its life

## New Camp for 2012!

### Wonder Bugs: Forest Tales and Trails – Grades K-2<sup>nd</sup>

Kennekuk County Park's Nature Center

June 27, children only; **or** July 19 Parents or Guardians attend with child  
9:00am-11:30am

We explore the wonderful woodlands of Kennekuk through books, activities, and a nature hike. From rotting logs to tall trees, come out and discover how amazing forests can be! Fee for camp is \$10/child; parents or guardians attending the July 19 camp, an additional fee of \$5/adult is needed. Fee includes activity supplies and snack.

### Camp Glenwood and Camp Kennekuk Grades K-5<sup>th</sup>

Camp Kennekuk at Kennekuk County Park's White Oak Barn

July 10 **or** July 11, 9:00am-3:00pm

Camp Glenwood at Forest Glen Preserve's Gannett Center

Jul 17, 9:00am-3:00pm

Throughout the fun-filled summer camp day, your child will participate in a nature hike, hayride, arts and craft session from the Camp Glenwood and Kennekuk archives with experienced camp counselors. Fee is \$20, due upon registration, which includes lunch, snacks, and a craft.

### Pioneer Kids for Grades 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>

Forest Glen Preserve's Gannett Center

June 26, 9:00am-3:00pm

This year's Pioneer Kids Camp will offer children a chance to get hands-on with lots of pioneer activities. Campers will try their hand at candle dipping, cooking on a fire and will learn the pioneer lore of the woods. Campers will need to bring a sack lunch but drinks will be provided. Fee is \$15, due upon registration, which includes crafts, snacks, and refreshments.

### Canoe Safari for Grades 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>

Kennekuk County Park's Lake Mingo

July 25, 9:00am-2:00pm

Challenge yourself this summer: Try canoeing on Lake Mingo! No experience required, our qualified instructors will show you how. Learn the basics and then go on your own canoeing safari! Fee is \$30, due upon registration, includes lunch and canoeing supplies.

## FREE Events for Families

### **Fishing Clinics – 9:00am-11:30am**

Kennekuk County Park: June 6, June 13

Forest Glen: July 24, July 26

A quick how to identify fish, habitats, determine water quality, and cast, followed by plenty of fishing time for all ages. All equipment and bait is provided, but kids may bring their own if desired. Parents and Grandparents are encouraged to join in! Pre-registration is required by calling 662-2142.

### **Hayrides at Forest Glen**

June 2, 7:00 p.m.

July 7, 7: 00 p.m.

August 4, 7:00 p.m.

September 1, 6:00 p.m.

October 6, 6:00 p.m.

Meet at the Forest Glen Staff Office parking lot on the first Saturday, June through October for a *free* hayride touring Forest Glen Preserve. Your family will have an occasion to see white-tail deer, raccoon, bird life and more while you enjoy a casual hayride. No reservation needed, for more information call 662-2142.

**Visit [www.VCCD.org](http://www.VCCD.org) for all of our summer events!**