



## FALL FUN 2008

Wolf Lake State Fish Hatchery Visitor Center  
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### NATURE WALKS WITH SCOTT

**Saturday, September 20 at 11:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.**  
Learn about the plants and animals that are found on the grounds of the hatchery including trees, flowers, frogs, turtles, birds, snakes and more!



### FALL FISHING DAY

**Saturday, September 27 at 10:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.;** Catch and release fishing for youth ages 5 – 16; pre-registration is required

### FALL COLOR WALKS

**Saturday October 11 at 10:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.**  
**Saturday, October 18 at 1:30 & 3:30 p.m.**  
**Saturday, October 25 at 10:30 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.**  
Take a gentle stroll with us and enjoy the beautiful fall season! Learn why trees change color in the fall, view several common Michigan tree species and learn how to identify them.



### BEGINNER'S BIRDING

**Saturday, November 1 at 10 a.m.**  
The hatchery grounds are one of the best places in the area to see waterfowl and other birds. Check out what species are headed south during the fall migration with the Audubon Society of Kalamazoo. Bring your binoculars, scopes and field guides if you have them. We will have some on hand for those without. Waterfowl are great for those just learning how to bird due to their large size!



### THE BIG SIT!

**Sunday, October 12 from 8 – 10 a.m. & 4 – 6 p.m.**  
Join the Audubon Society of Kalamazoo and birders from across North America that will be out sitting and watching, trying to record as many species as possible. Participants are encouraged to bring a chair and to dress for the weather. If you have them, bring your binoculars, scopes and field guides. We will have some on hand for those without. Meet at the large white tent behind the Visitor Center at the starting time for a guided walk to the observation deck. The Visitor Center will provide light refreshments and be open for participants to enjoy during these programs.



### GROSSOLOGY

**Saturday, October 25 at 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.**  
Things that make you go EEEEEW! Lamprey and leeches, tape worms and ticks, all the things that make your skin crawl or feel like you itch. Blood sucking, vomit and scat; you'll leave Wolf Lake saying, "I never knew that!"



### OWL PROWL

**Saturday, October 18 and 25 at 7 p.m.**  
Join us to learn about the amazing owl! Participants will learn how owls hear a mouse beneath the snow, how they capture their prey, and what their habitat requirements are. We will take a walk through the woods in an attempt to hear and see owls that live on the grounds of the fish hatchery. The Visitor Center will be open shortly before and shortly after the program.

### FEEDER BIRDS 101

**Saturday, November 8 at 10 a.m.**  
Learn about the common and uncommon birds that visit Southwest Michigan feeders throughout the winter months with the Audubon Society of Kalamazoo. Participants will learn how to attract and identify a large variety of species.



### WILDERNESS SURVIVAL

**Saturday, October 4 at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.**  
Do you have what it takes to find food in the wild? Can you make fire if you need to? Learn basic skills and be prepared to handle unexpected challenges while being out in the wilderness.



### NIGHT HIKES

**Saturday, October 4 and 11 at 7:30 p.m.**  
Many creatures emerge at night; bats, bugs, owls, and more. Join us on an evening stroll on our trails to see what we find.



### PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST

**Saturday, October 18 at 10:30 a.m.**  
Show us your best Jack-o-Lantern! While you create you'll learn that pumpkins were once recommended for removing freckles and curing snake bites and other fun pumpkin facts! Adult supervision and pre-registration are required. Space is limited. Pumpkins and tools are provided.



Programs are approximately one hour in length unless otherwise noted  
Walks are not strenuous, approximately one mile or less  
Be sure to dress warm and wear comfortable shoes  
All ages and skill levels are welcome  
Programs are offered FREE OF CHARGE