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Make Your Own Traditional Wooden Snowshoes at Ludington State Park.

Ludington State Park is presenting several snowshoe making classes for this upcoming winter season. Classes are scheduled for:

October 17 & 18	10 A.M. to 3 P.M.
October 26 & 27	6:30 P.M. to 10 P.M.
November 8	10 A.M. to 5 P.M.
November 14	10 A.M. to 5 P.M.
November 23 & 24	6:30 P.M. to 10 P.M.
December 8	10 A.M. to 5 P.M.
December 20	10 A.M. to 5 P.M.
January 7 & 8	6:30 P.M. to 10 P.M.
January 25 & 26	6:30 P.M. to 10 P.M.

All classes are held at the Ludington State Park's Warming Shelter. Note that some of the classes are split over 2 days.

Participants will weave a pair of traditional wood snowshoes similar to how the Native Americans made them for generations. They are of the highest quality snowshoes you can find anywhere and truly made in America. When you are finished you have snowshoes you can use to get through the snows of this winter or give away as a unique handmade gift. In the warmer months of the year you will be proud to show them off as a room decoration piece. Snowshoeing is an easy way to get outside and burn some calories during the winter months. It is inexpensive and a good activity for all ages; if you can walk, you can snowshoe!

The cost for making a pair of snowshoes ranges from \$90.00 up to \$160.00 depending on the style of snowshoe. This includes the pre-formed wooden frames, lacing, top of the line binding, and personal instructions.

The classes are set up to be fun and interesting. This is an activity that requires concentration over long periods of time and suggested for ages 16 years and older.

Class size is limited and reservations are required. To make a reservation, please call Ludington State Park at (231) 843-9261 or email us at WERNETTEA@michigan.gov.

A motor vehicle permit is required when entering the state park. Cost is \$24 for a resident annual or \$6 for a resident daily. Nonresident annual is \$29 and daily is \$8.