

CALENDAR OF EVENTS—2011

MAY—2011

Information: 839-2802 or <http://RidgesSanctuary.org>
The Ridges Sanctuary: 8288 Highway Q Baileys Harbor Wisconsin



Tuesdays–Saturdays • RIDGES' RAMBLES • GUIDED NATURE HIKES

Although the trails at The Ridges Sanctuary are open year 'round, during the Spring, Summer, & Fall, guided hikes with a naturalist are offered to help you discover some of the unique aspects of this non-profit nature preserve. Discover why it is the most biologically diverse area in Wisconsin. Special Ridges' Rambles hikes will also be offered: Orchid Hikes; RangeLights & History Hikes; Flowers, Ferns, & Fauna Hikes as well as special Dragonfly and Butterfly Hikes. Call for hike times.

May 7 • THE RIDGES' SPRING FUN/VOLUNTEER DAY

Location: 8288 Highway Q, Baileys Harbor (the Marshall cabin)

Celebrate the Spring Peepers and trailing arbutus by helping The Ridges 'spruce' up for the upcoming summer season. Come for an hour or come for two! Special Ridges' lunch will be served to anyone who's hungry and wants to stop working at Noon. There are activities for all age and expertise levels – and lots of fun in the fresh air! Time: Saturday, May 7, 8:30 AM - Noon

May 7, 14, 21 • DISCOVERY BIRD WALKS

Bird enthusiasts of all abilities, ages, and interest explore the great birding 'hot spots' in the Baileys Harbor area. Meet at the Marshall cabin at The Ridges Sanctuary. 6:30 AM – 8:30 AM. Members are free – non-members \$5 donation.



May 13 • NO FAMILY LEFT INSIDE – FROG WALK – The Roar of Love

This series of Family Events is a collaborative effort with the Northern Door YMCA to encourage families to re-connect with the outdoors.

Have you ever explored the outdoors at night? Too scary? On this hike, you'll discover that night explorations can be great fun, and not at all frightening.

All the male frogs in the sanctuary are proclaiming their love for some little green cutie. Listen to their deafening chorus and learn a little about their watery lifestyle during this early evening hike and finish with a bonfire, hot chocolate, and marshmallows. Bring a small flashlight (put red cellophane over the lens so you don't affect night vision) if you'd like.



Limit: 15 • 6 PM – 7:30 PM • Pre-registration required: Call the Northern Door Y at 868-3660 or The Ridges • \$10/Family.

May 14 • 'NOT SO EARLY' BIRD HIKE

For the not so early riser, a bird hike that starts at the more 'reasonable' hour of 9 AM on a Saturday. Everyone is welcome, from seasoned birders to 'don't know a sapsucker from a woodpecker' types. Meet at the Marshall cabin at The Ridges Sanctuary in Baileys Harbor and we'll go to a birding hot spot in Door county. Meet at the Marshall cabin at The Ridges Sanctuary. Members are free – non-members \$5 donation.

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May 14 • EARLY BIRDERS MEETING

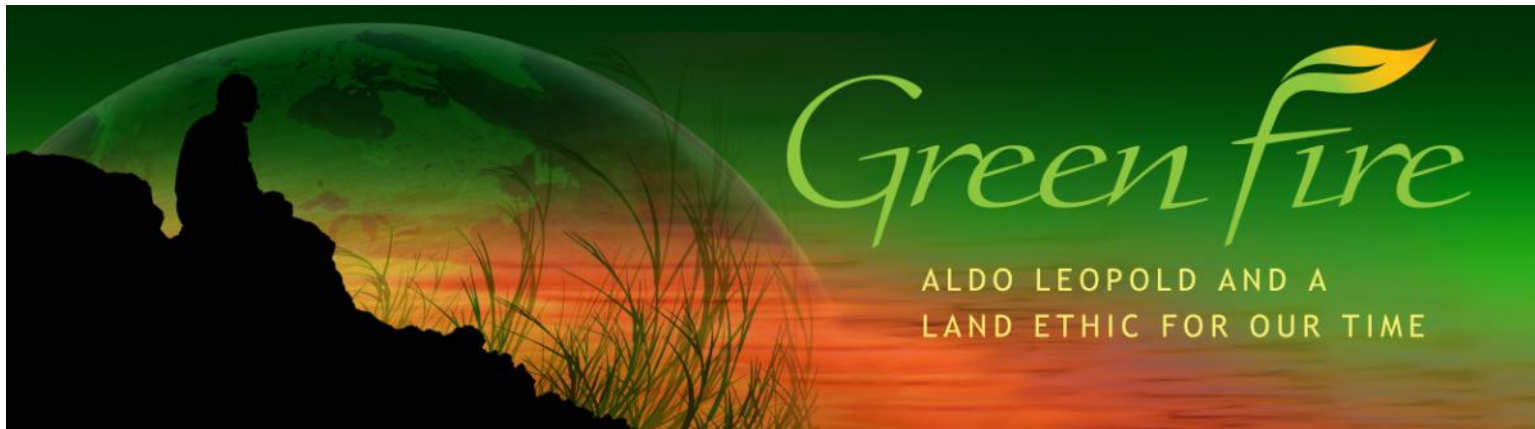
Location: Sevastopol School • 4055 Highway 57 • Institute

Come and meet with other people who are fascinated by these colorful, warm-blooded bundles of feathers. . Each member will receive a bird guide book and a bird checklist as well as the use of binoculars. Dues: \$15/year. Drop-ins welcome (\$5/family) Saturday, May 14, 10 AM



May 26-28 • DOOR COUNTY FESTIVAL OF NATURE

The Ridges Sanctuary joins forces with five local conservation groups to offer guided field trips through some of Door County's unique and beautiful natural areas, many not generally open to the public. Evening presentations, early morning bird walks, canoe and boat trips also offered for three days of getting out in nature! Pre-registration required.



May 26 • GREEN FIRE

In conjunction with the Door County Festival of Nature, The Ridges Sanctuary presents a special showing of the award-winning Aldo Leopold Center documentary **GREEN FIRE** that traces the life of Leopold and his development of a 'land ethic. Open to the public. Donations requested. Festival participants receive a free ticket. May 26, 7 PM—8:30 PM.



VISIT THE RIDGES' NATURE CENTER

For information on the unique ridge/swale formations and the historic Baileys Harbor Range Lights as well as the best selection of nature-oriented gifts and books in the county. Nature activities for adults and children. Opens for the season Friday, May 20th. Open daily Mon-Saturday—9 AM—4 PM and Sunday from Noon—3 PM.

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