

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS—2012

### January—2012

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

#### January 6, 13, 20, 27 • GUIDED SNOWSHOE HIKES

*The Ridges in winter shows a beautiful, serene landscape that is enjoyed by those who love Wisconsin winters. These hikes with a Ridges naturalist cover the cultural and natural history of the ridges and swales in their “off season”. Enjoy a leisurely hike on level terrain. Fee: \$5/person. Some snowshoes available (\$5/set) – call ahead to reserve. Time: 1 PM. Info: (920) 839-2802.*

#### January 14 • EARLY BIRDERS MEETING—Maritime Birds

*Location: The Door County Maritime Museum in Sturgeon Bay*

*At this meeting we’ll learn about some of the interesting birds who spend their time on or near the water. Then we’ll go out a look for birds that stay around Door County for the winter.*

*Come and meet with other people who are fascinated by these colorful, warm-blooded bundles of feathers. Meetings include fun activities and/or presentations and of course, a hike to look for birds. Each family receives a one time “Wild About Wisconsin Birds” book, a bird guide book and a bird checklist as well as the use of binoculars. Dues: \$15/year Drop-ins are welcome \$5/meeting.*

*Meetings are the second Saturday of each month at 10 AM • Call Carol at 839-2802 or email: [carol@RidgesSanctuary.org](mailto:carol@RidgesSanctuary.org)*

#### January 21 • Winter Games! – NO FAMILY LEFT INSIDE

*This series of Family Events is a collaborative effort with the Northern Door Y. To encourage families to re-connect with the outdoors, we are inviting you to attend any or all of the events scheduled for the third weekend of the month.*

*Location: The Ridges Sanctuary, 8288 Hwy Q, Baileys Harbor.*

*Winter is more fun if you have things to do outside. We’ll try some old-fashioned games and maybe some new ones or some old ones with a new twist. Dress for fun in the snow! Hot chocolate to warm up afterwards! Cellcom’s “Green Gifts” program provided partial funding for the No Family Left Inside program.*

*Limit: 15 • 2:00 PM – 4 PM • Pre-registration required: Call The Ridges at 839-2802 or the Northern Door Y at 868-3640 • \$15/Family.*

**It’s been 75 years since Albert Fuller met with the local Women’s Club and wrote letters to the Door County Advocate assuring people that ‘other communities would pay millions to reproduce what Baileys Harbor has naturally in the ridges area.’**

**We celebrate those 75 years and those whose foresight ensured the preservation of this unique biologically diverse area.**

**October 4, 1937**

*The Ridges Sanctuary for Plant & Animal Life*

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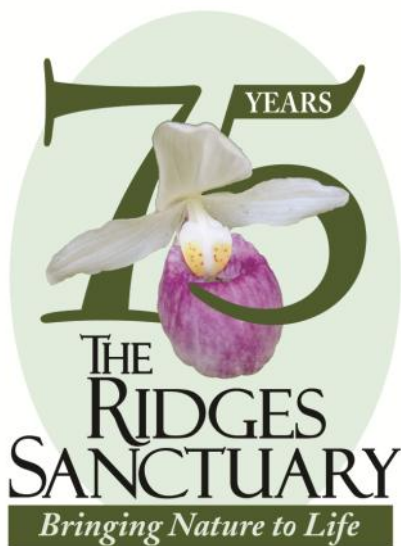
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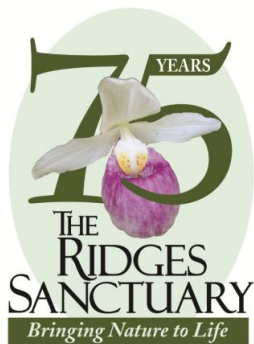
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### February—2012

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#### February 3, 10, 17, 24 • GUIDED SNOWSHOE HIKES

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#### February 4 • THE RIDGES' GREAT WAFFLE BREAKFAST

Waffles in all shapes and sizes made by The Ridges Sanctuary staff and volunteers. Top your waffles off with Door County grown and produced maple syrup and cherry sauce. Games to keep the kids occupied and

'eating breakfast' music. 9 AM – 11 AM. Free-will Donation to cover costs. At the Baileys Harbor Town Hall. Call The Ridges (920) 839-2802.



#### February 11 • EARLY BIRDERS MEETING—The Wizard of Taxidermy

Location: The Wildlife Wizardry Gallery of Mike Orthober near Egg Harbor

A visit to Mike Orthober's gallery of wildlife art (he is the one who created the wildlife exhibit at the Door County Museum) will be followed by an excursion to spot cranes and turkeys.



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Meetings are the second Saturday of each month at various locations in Door County at 10 AM • Call The Ridges at 839-2802 or email: [carol@RidgesSanctuary.org](mailto:carol@RidgesSanctuary.org)

#### February 18 • NO FAMILY LEFT INSIDE - GEOCACHING

This series of Family Events is a collaborative effort with the Northern Door Y. To encourage families to re-connect with the outdoors, we are inviting you to attend any or all of the events scheduled for the second weekend of the month. (Feb 19, March 19, April 16, & May 14).

Location: The Ridges Sanctuary, 8288 Hwy Q, Baileys Harbor Saturday, Feb 19, Geocaching has been described as a "high-tech treasure hunt." After discussing what geocaching is, how it got started, and some of the tips and tricks, you'll head into the woods to seek out a cache hidden within The Ridges Sanctuary. A few GPS units will be available for use during the session, or you can bring your own. Cell-com's "Green Gifts" program provided partial funding for the No Family Left Inside program.

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**March/April—2012**

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### **March 10 • EARLY BIRDERS MEETING—Build a Bluebird House!**

*Location: The Ridges Sanctuary's Marshall cabin at 8288 Highway Q, Baileys Harbor*

*At this meeting each family will get all the materials necessary to build a bluebird house to take home and receive help with the construction. As you are creating their home, you will learn some of the secret of luring bluebirds and how to keep them happy in their new home. \$15 for bluebird house materials.*

*Come and meet with other people who are fascinated by these colorful, warm-blooded bundles of feathers. Most of the meetings will include fun activities and/or presentations and from May –July there'll be a special hike at 9 AM before the meeting. Each member will receive a bird guide book and a bird checklist as well as the use of binoculars. Dues: \$20/year (\$5 discount for Ridges' members)*

*Meetings are the second Saturday of each month at 10 AM • Call Carol at 839-2802 or email: [carol@RidgesSanctuary.org](mailto:carol@RidgesSanctuary.org)*

### **March 10 • NO FAMILY LEFT INSIDE – Build Your Own Bluebird House!**

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*Location: The Ridges Sanctuary, 8288 Hwy Q, Baileys Harbor.*

*Each family will get all the materials necessary to build a bluebird house to take home and receive help with the construction. As you are creating their home, you will learn some of the secret of luring bluebirds and how to keep them happy in their new home. Cellcom's "Green Gifts" program provided partial funding for the No Family Left Inside program.*

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### **April 16 • Midwest Crane Foundation Crane Count**

*Location: Various locations in Door County*

*Be a part of the ongoing study these large impressive birds. An outreach of the Midwest Crane Foundation. Volunteers needed from 5:30 AM - 7:30 AM.*

*Saturday, April 16, 5:30 AM-7:30 AM • Call Karen at 839-2802 or email: [karen@RidgesSanctuary.org](mailto:karen@RidgesSanctuary.org)*

### **April 13 & 14 • The Roar of Love – A FROG WALK – NO FAMILY LEFT INSIDE**

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

*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. Cellcom's "Green Gifts" program provided partial funding for the No Family Left Inside program.*

*Limit: 15 • 6:00 PM – 8 PM • Pre-registration required: Call The Ridges at 839-2802 or the Northern Door Y at 868-3640 • \$20/Family. (\$5 discount for Ridges' members)*



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**MAY—2012**

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### **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. Call for hike times.*



### **May 5 • 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 5, 8:30 AM - Noon*

### **May 5, 12, 26 • 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 12 • NO FAMILY LEFT INSIDE - SIGNS OF SPRING -- BIRDS, BUGS, & BUDS**

*Location: The Ridges Sanctuary, 8288 Hwy Q, Baileys Harbor.*

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*Be the first to sight a sign of Spring. Look high and low and in-between to catch the creatures and plants as they come out of their winter sleep. Watch for the first birds, or maybe listen for the quack of the first wood frogs, or dig in the leaf litter for scurrying bugs as they welcome warmer weather.*

*Limit: 15 • 2:00 PM – 4 PM • Saturday, April 16 • Pre-registration required: Call The Ridges at 839-2802 or the Northern Door Y at 868-3660 • \$20/Family.*



### **May 12 • '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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**Shop for Nature!**

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## VISIT THE RIDGES' NATURE CENTER

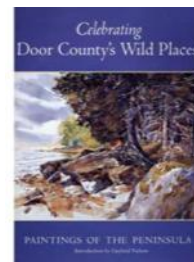
*For information on the unique ridge/swale formations and the historic Baileys Harbor Range Lights as well as the best selection of nature-oriented gifts and books in the county. Nature activities for adults and children. Opens for the season **Friday, May 11th. Open daily Mon-Saturday—9 AM—4 PM and Sunday from Noon—3 PM.***



*Ridges Lightweight canvas drawstring backpack. \$7.35 +tax & shipping.*



*Ridges' 100% cotton polo shirts for men and women. \$20 +tax & shipping.*



*Hardcover book featuring original paintings of the Door Peninsula. \$18 + tax & shipping*

*Door County Wildflowers notecards by Jane DelCarson All letters available. (Blank inside) \$2.50 +tax & shipping.*



*Wild Child T-shirts—cotton, sizes 2T, child's XS, S, M, L \$10 +tax & shipping.*



*Folk Art Bird handcrafted by Ridges' volunteers. \$80 +tax & shipping.*



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