

Hickory Knolls Discovery Days

Sundays in February • 12-4pm



Sunday, February 12

Going to the Dogs and Cats and Rabbits

For every pet that has a home, there are four more that do not. Learn about the world of pet rescue, and meet some great animals up for adoption. Joining us for the festivities will be the people and huskies of Free Spirit Siberian Rescue, putting on their popular sled dog races. Watch these magnificent animals as they race across the frozen ground, and hear the stories of dogs that have been adopted, as well as those that still need homes.

Other Activities:

- **Peter Rabbit's Story** – Hickory Knolls' resident rabbit was also once a stray.
- **Going to the Dogs** – snowshoe sled race
- **Pet Detectives Challenge** • **Pet-themed Crafts and Games**

Sunday, February 19

Our Wild Neighbors

So you've found an injured wild animal. Who you gonna call? The Fox Valley Wildlife Center takes in injured animals and rehabilitates them to be released in the wild. Meet some of their 'ambassadors' and learn how they care for our wild neighbors.

Other Activities:

- **Backyard Bird Count** – Kane County Audubon members will be on hand to help you learn to identify winter birds. Be a part of this fun family activity.
- **Wild Neighbors Game** – do you know what lurks outside your door? Test your knowledge of local fauna.
- **Touch and Learn table** – feel pelts and see bones and skulls of local wildlife, learn how they adapt to their surroundings.
- **Have You Got What It Takes?** – could you get around with an injured leg, eye or wing? Test your survival skills and see how you'd fare.



Sunday, February 26

Cold-Blooded Creatures

featuring Bubba the 12-foot Alligator

Reptile expert Jim Nesci and his band of scaly friends will be on hand to discuss what it's like to live with exotics. See and hold a variety of Jim's interesting 'friends'!

Other Activities:

- **Endangered Species 4-1-1** – what are endangered species and how did they get that way? Learn about the perils of these rare animals.
- **Livin' Like a Snake** – ever shed your skin? Snakes do it on a regular basis. Try some fun activities to learn how snakes eat, shed and move!
- **Reptile Pets** – so you want a reptile for your birthday, but are you really ready? Find out what you need to know to make an informed choice.
- **Meet the Herps of Hickory Knolls** – Snakes, lizards, salamanders, turtles, the list goes on and on! Interact with some of our inhabitants and learn their stories.



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