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## “Bug Day” Returns to Wehr Nature Center

Milwaukee, WI (Sept. 4, 2014) – From beetles to butterflies, “Bug Day” gives families the opportunity to learn about these 6-legged critters and their relatives. The event is Sunday, Sept. 14, from 1–4 p.m., at Wehr Nature Center, 9701 W. College Ave.

Two special shows are scheduled. At 1:30 p.m., “The Bug Whisperer,” an entomologist, will take children through an interactive program exploring the world of insects. At 3 p.m., the “Keeper of the Colonies” will present a bee-keeping demonstration.

Throughout the day, families will learn about insects through demonstrations and displays. Everyone is invited to tour the Amazing Insect Zoo and see a tarantula up-close, to explore an exhibit of butterflies from around the world, and to see bees busy at work. The Pollinator Pavilion will stress the importance of bees, butterflies, and moths as pollinators and will offer tips on attracting these and other native pollinators to backyard gardens.

Other opportunities include taking a course from “Dr. Artha Poda”—Insects 101, hiking to Mallard Lake and dipping for critters, meeting Pepper “the Bed-Bug-Sniffing Dog,” and asking experts questions about insects.

To get into the spirit of the day, children may don an insect costume to become a centipede, millipede, or butterfly. (Some costumes are large enough for adults.) Children may also work on crafts or listen to stories.

The littlest family members may enjoy Larva Land, an area designed for young children to explore the insect world at their own pace.

Rounding out the event is Creepy Crawly Cuisine, where everyone can try a protein-rich treat, that is, an insect!

Admission is \$3 per person. Friends of Wehr Members pay \$2 per person. Children 2 and under are admitted for free. The parking fee is \$3 per car.

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