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## **Butterfly Count at Wehr, Select Milwaukee County Parks**

Franklin, WI (June 12, 2015) – Butterfly enthusiasts age 10 and over are invited to participate in the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Butterfly Count, Sunday, June 28 from 9-11:30 a.m. at Wehr Nature Center, located at 9701 W. College Ave. in Whitnall Park. Additional sites along Lake Michigan will be visited in the afternoon.

Past counts have documented Monarch, Cabbage White, Eastern Tiger Swallowtail, and Red Admiral butterflies in Milwaukee County.

A short review of common local butterflies and ways to identify them will be presented by Pat Fojut, Director of Nature in the Parks, before the count begins. Then, participants will go outside to inventory butterflies along Wehr's trails. Participants are encouraged to bring binoculars or cameras; a limited number of binoculars will be available for use during the program.

The program's afternoon session, from 1-3:30 p.m., will inventory butterflies along trails at Grant, Warnimont, and Sheridan parks. Carpooling from Wehr can be arranged through Fojut.

Results of monitoring will be published along with the other Fourth of July Butterfly Counts of the North American Butterfly Association.

The program fee is \$5 per person. The parking fee is \$3 per car.

For more information on the national Fourth of July Butterfly Counts, visit <http://www.naba.org/>

For information on Wehr's program, contact [patricia.fojut@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:patricia.fojut@ces.uwex.edu) .

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