

**Bellevue Parks & Community Services
Event List**

March Events

- Mar.** **Garden d'Lights Classes**, various times, Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main St. Learn to make beautiful flower light creations that will actually become part of the display at the yearly Garden d'Lights at the Bellevue Botanical Garden. Visit the website at www.bellevuebotanical.org for class types, times and dates.
- Mar. 3** **Human Services Commission**, 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m., Bellevue City Hall, Council Conference Room (1E-113), 450 110th Ave NE. For more information, call 425-452-7871.
- Mar. 4** **Sustainable Design: Emerging philosophies**, 7 p.m. – 9 p.m. at Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118th Ave. SE. This workshop will look beyond the standard perspective of a building. Using sustainable design as the foundation to cultivate connections with the environment, Mark Johnson the architect on the Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, will explore emerging philosophies on how buildings teach. Sustainable design can echo the connection to the local ecology by embracing energy conservation, materials selection, scale, daylight and more. Join this great discussion and impact your future. Free. For more information call 425-452-2565.
- Mar. 6** **Media Relations Panel for Non Profits**, 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. at the Bellevue City Hall, 450 NE 110th St. This workshop features a panel of reporters and media consultants who will discuss how community organizations, non profits and agencies can benefit from media coverage. There will be a question and answer period. This event is free. For more information, call 425 452-7886.
- Mar. 8** **March Mania Plant Sale** – 11 am– 3 pm, at Bellevue Botanical Garden Visitor Center, 12001 Main Street, Bellevue. This unique sale kicks off the local plant sale season. The show has evolved from its humble beginnings seven years ago into a successful event with a long line of gardeners waiting for the sale to begin. The sale features hellebores and spring ephemerals and will include tours of the newly renovated NPA Border (Phase I). Admission is free. For more information, visit www.n-p-a.org
- Mar. 10** **Shamrock Dance**, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. at North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Ave NE. The 'Sound Of Swing' will perform for your dancing pleasure. \$3 at the door. For more information call 425-452-7681.
- Mar. 10** **Parks & Community Services Board meeting**, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m., Bellevue City Hall, Council Conference Room (1E-113), 450 110th Ave NE. For more information, call 425-452-4162.
- Mar. 12** **Family Movie Night – “Planet Earth- Shallow Seas”**, 3p.m. – 5 p.m., at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. Join us for a family movie, the 2nd Thursday of every month. Dive down into our

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planet's shallow seas as we take a journey through an area filled with life. We will follow a humpback whale and her calf as they travel for 1000's of miles in search of food. All ages welcome. Free. To register, call: 425-452-6885 or visit www.myparksandrecreation.com.

- Mar. 13-22** **Snow White**, Friday, March 13 & 20 at 7 pm, Saturday, March 14 & 21 at 7 pm, Sunday, March 15 & 22 at 2 pm, Bellevue Youth Theatre, 16661 Northup Way. This classic children's tale is based on the story by the Brothers Grimm. This version has many new characters and original music. It is a musical with comedy, singing and dancing suitable for all ages. \$9 per seat, reserved seating. For more information call Sheila Framke at 425-452-7155.
- Mar. 17** **St. Patrick's Day Luncheon**, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. at North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Ave. NE. Join us in being "Irish for a day!" Wear your favorite green outfit and enjoy a traditional Irish meal. We'll play some Irish music and sing some favorite Irish songs. Your "Irish Eyes" are sure to be smiling! Lunch provided by Catholic Community Services of Pierce County for a suggested donation of \$3 for 60+; charge of \$6 for under 60 years old. Pre-registration required by March 13. For more information, call 425-452-7681.
- Mar. 17** **Human Services Commission**, 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m., Bellevue City Hall, Council Conference Room (1E-113), 450 110th Ave NE. For more information, call 425-452-7871.
- Mar. 18** **Water, water everywhere**, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m. at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. Wetlands are more than just a wet place; they hold the keys to cleaning our local environment and provide a home to many amazing animals. Let's explore together the wet side of Lewis Creek Park. Program Cost: \$7. Visit www.naturevision.org for more information. To register, call 425-836-2697.
- Mar. 20** **Community Safety for Older Adults with Rob McKenna**, 8:30 a.m.-10 a.m. at Bellevue City Hall, City Council Chambers, 450 110th Ave NE. Attorney General Rob McKenna will present his current initiative related to safety for older adults and take questions from the audience. Presented by the Bellevue Network On Aging. FREE. To register, call 425-425-7681 by March 11th. Space is limited.
- March 22** **Potting Up Party**, 10 am – 4 pm, Bellevue Botanical Garden Perennial Border, 12001 Main Street. Help pot up and prepare plants from the Border for the Spring Plant Sale. Opportunities for all skill levels and abilities, including labeling, etc. Lunch will be provided. Question? or to let us know you are coming, contact George Lasch at george@crowshop.com.
- Mar. 25** **Track Trek**, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m. at the Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. Often the only way to tell an animal was around was by what footprints were left. Learn how to be a natural detective and keep

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“track” of our wild friends. Program Cost: \$7. Visit www.naturevision.org for more information. To register, call 425-836-2697.

- Mar. 27** **Beavers: The Biggest Dam Movie You Ever Saw!**, 5 p.m. – 6 p.m. at Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118th Ave. SE. Plunge in and meet your illusive neighbor. This movie shows several beaver families in their wild surroundings. With breathtaking underwater photography, you travel inside the lodge for a rare look at these charming and industrious creatures, see them evade predators, and build their homes. Bring a comfy blanket or pillow and we’ll pop the popcorn. All children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Free. For more information call 425-452-2565.
- Mar. 28** **Bellevue Hoops of Hope**, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. at South Bellevue Community Center, 14509 SE Newport Way. Recruit your family and friends and join the international effort started by a high school student to raise money to help children in Africa orphaned due to AIDS/HIV. Register by February 20 and raise \$100 or more. Come to SBCC on March 28 and shoot as many hoops you can. All ages welcome. 100% of the money raised goes to World Vision to build a medical center, provide medical kits, and buy bicycles. Refreshments will be served. High School community service hours can be earned. You can make a difference in the life of a child. For more information call 425-452-4240.
- Mar. 30** **Mom and Me at Mercer Slough**, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m., at Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118th Ave. SE. Foster the young naturalist inside all of us. Explore the small wonders of the Mercer Slough with your child and other parents. Pre-registration is required, \$5. Age: All – children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. For more information call 425-452-2565.

April Events

- April 1-30** **Pioneer Days**, times and dates vary Kelsey Creek Farm, 410 130th PL SE, 98005. Experience life in the 1880s with a trip to our historic log cabin. Children grind wheat and coffee, churn butter, card wool, hammer nails, pump water, create a fabric and paper quilt, play dress-up plus more living history activities. Storytelling about pioneer life with Laura Ingalls Wilder’s Little House books helps children compare their life based on electricity and modern conveniences with the life of Laura and Mary in their log cabin in Wisconsin. Pre-registrations required. For more information e-mail kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov or call 425 452-7688.
- Apr. 1** **Arbor Day Poster Art Exhibit, Trees are Terrific...** in cities and towns ! Inspired by the beauty and benefits that trees provide in our community school age children create poster art for the public to enjoy. Exhibits open at the following locations during normal open hours. Locations include: Bellevue City Hall, Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center,

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Lewis Creek Visitor Center, and Bellevue Arts Museum which begins on May 1. For more information regarding this project call Debbie Pettersson at 425 452-7106.

- Apr. 1** **Right Plants, Right Place**, 7p.m.-9 p.m. at Lewis Cree Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. Spending lots of money at the nursery, but not getting the results you want? Greg Rabourn will help you pick the best plants for your yard. Smart design is healthy for your pocketbook and the planet. Free. For more information call 425-452-7225.
- Apr. 1** **Spring Fling Luncheon**, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. at North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Ave. NE. Celebrate Springtime (& April Fool's Day) with a tasty lunch, bingo and doorprizes. We will also have a crazy-hat contest and fashion parade of the entries. \$3 suggested donation for those 60+ and charge of \$6 for under 60 years old, payable at the event. Co-sponsored by Catholic Community Services. Pre-registration required by March 28. For more information, call 425-452-7681.
- Apr. 4** **Coal Creek History**, 10 a.m. at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. Researcher Steven Gates presents the geologic history of Coal Creek. Join the adventure of diving into the past as we study the present. Beginning with a photo presentation and followed by a hike along the trails of coal creek. Learn more about the first major industry of eastside- coal mining. Free. For more information visit <http://eastsideheritagecenter.org> or call 425-450-1049.
- Apr. 4** **Spring Fling Dance**, 7 p.m.- 9 p.m. at North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Ave NE. The 'Sound Of Swing' will perform for your dancing pleasure. \$10 at the door. For more information, call 425-452-7681.
- Apr. 7** **Human Services Commission**, 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m., Bellevue City Hall, Council Conference Room (1E-113), 450 110th Ave NE. For more information, call 425-452-7871.
- Apr. 9** **Family Movie Night- Pale Male**, 3 p.m.-5 p.m. at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. High above New York's Central Park, a daring red-tailed hawk has taken up residence. Filmed over a six-year period, "Pale Male" is a rare glimpse of the survival techniques of one of nature's great predatory creatures, and a surprising account of the magical relationship humanity can have with nature. All ages welcome. Free. To Register visit www.MyParksAndRecreation.com or call 425-452-6885.
- Apr. 11** **Shelter Building**, 10 a.m.-11 a.m. at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. What would you do if you got lost and had to spend the night in the woods? Learn how to build a debris hut out of materials from the forest! Cost: \$7. Visit www.naturevision.org for more information. To register, call 425-836-2697.
- April 11** **Family and Friends Snowshoe Trip (Snoqualmie Pass)**, 10a.m.-4:30p.m. Meet at Highland Center, 14224 Bel-Red Road. Head up to

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Snoqualmie Pass with family and friends for a beautiful day of Spring snowshoeing! Transportation, snowshoes, and winter boots available. Beginners and experts welcome. Please indicate when registering if you desire snowshoes. To register, go to www.myparksandrecreation.com. For more information, please call 425-452-6129

- Apr. 14** **Spring Fling Dance** , 2 p.m.– 4 p.m. at North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Ave NE. The 'Sound Of Swing' will perform for your dancing pleasure. \$3 at the door. For more information call 425-452-7681.
- Apr. 14** **Parks & Community Services Board meeting**, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m., Bellevue City Hall, Council Conference Room (1E-113), 450 110th Ave NE. For more information, call 425-452-4162.
- April 16** **Public Pony Rides**, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 p.m., at Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park, 410 130th PL SE. Bring your little one down to the farm for a ride on one of our adorable ponies. Ages 3 & up, weight limit/100 lbs. Cost is \$3 per ride. Line closes at 11:30 am – no exceptions.
- Apr. 17-26** **The Tales of Beatrix Potter**, Friday, April 17 & 24 at 7 pm, Saturday, April 18 & 25 at 7 pm, Sunday, April 19 & 26 at 2 pm. Bellevue Youth Theatre, 16661 Northup Way. Six of Beatrix Potter's best-loved animal tales come to life in one enchanted production. For many years children of all ages have enjoyed Peter Rabbit, Jeremy Fisher, Jemima Puddleduck and so many more of the wonderful characters created by the legendary Victorian writer, Beatrix Potter. \$9 per seat, reserved seating. For more information call Sheila Framke at 425-452-7155.
- Apr. 18** **Earth Day Arbor Day**, 8:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd S.E. Be a part of Earth day. From 8:30a.m-11:30a.m. volunteer with others and help plant! Then enjoy the rest of the afternoon with a ceremony at 11:30a.m followed by festivities till 2:00p.m. For more information please call 425-452-4195.
- Apr. 18 & 19** **Urban Cycling Techniques**, 9:30am-1:30pm, Crossroads Community Center 16000 NE 10th St. Get around Bellevue with safety and style on a bicycle this season. Your clean, healthy, and cheap transit option is within reach after this interactive course where professionals from Cascade Bicycle Club will teach positive and confident interaction with urban traffic. Familiarize yourself with Bellevue routes and make safe trips a priority. Tips from this course will make city cycling a natural and enjoyable experience. Helmet and bicycle required. This course is taught in a two-part series. Cost: \$45. For more information, please call 425-452-6129
- Apr. 21** **Human Services Commission**, 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m., Bellevue City Hall, Council Conference Room (1E-113), 450 110th Ave NE. For more information, call 425-452-7871.

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- Apr. 22** **Little Lake-to-Lake ~ Earth Day Walk – 5 K**, 2 p.m.– 7 p.m. at the Lake Hills Greenbelt Park, 15416 SE 16th Street. Parking, check in and start point located at Master Gardener / Community Garden Parking lot located at 156th and SE 16th St. Walk the Lake Hills Greenbelt Trail in celebration of Earth Day. Registration / check in will take place the day of the event between 2pm and 5pm. Groups may start later than 5pm but should finish by 7pm. Free. For more information and event flyer contact Debbie Pettersson at 425-452-7106, DPettersson@bellevuewa.gov.
- April 22** **Conversations on Race and Culture**, 5: 30 – 8 p.m., Eastside Conversations on Race and Culture presents a conversation between youth and police at Sammamish High School 100 140th SE. Come participate in this important discussion on how to improve youth and police relations. FREE. Food will be served at 5:30 p.m. For more information or to RSVP please contact Callie Shanafelt at cshanafelt@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7922.
- Apr. 24** **Owl Prowl**, 7:30p.m.-8:30 p.m. at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd.SE. Take a night hike with the Rangers and look for owls and other nocturnal wildlife in the park. Bring a flashlight for the journey, as well as sturdy shoes. Ages 6 years and up. Free. To Register visit www.MyParksAndRecreation.com or call 425-452-6885.
- Apr. 24** **Eastside Explorers: The Owl and the Woodpecker**, 7p.m.– 9 p.m. at Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118th Ave SE. Get a bird's eye view of two of the Pacific Northwest's most fascinating creatures- the owl and the woodpecker. Acclaimed Seattle wildlife photographer Paul Bannick captivates audiences with stunning photographs and extensive knowledge to give us a glimpse of nature seldom seen. To register, call 425-452-6885, or visit www.myparksandrecreation.com. For more information, contact Paul Andersson at 425-452-6129, or email to pandersson@bellevuewa.gov.
- April 25** **Eastside Arts Education Fair**, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Crossroads Bellevue Shopping Center, NE 8th and 156th Ave., NE. This event features dance, music, theater and visual arts, in addition to workshops, displays and classes. Free. For more information, call 425 452-7886 or go to <http://eastsidearts.org> .
- April 25** **Volunteer at Sheep Shearing event**, 10a.m.-1p.m. & 12:30p.m.- 4p.m., Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park, 410-130th PL SE. Students earn community service hours while assisting with children's activities. Dress to work outside with the public; wear sturdy shoes that can get wet. Sign up by Wednesday, April 22nd – no late sign-ups accepted. For more information e-mail kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov or call 425 452-7688.
- April 25** **Fraser Cabin Heritage Programs**, 11.a.m.-3.p.m., at Kelsey Creek Farm Park, Fraser Cabin, 410 130th PL SE. The log cabin experience is magical and will transport you back in time. Visitors are invited to participate in

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hands-on activities that relate to 1880s settler life: agriculture, dairy, household tasks, log cabins, games and eastside history. All activities are located at the historic 1888 Fraser Cabin at Kelsey Creek Farm Park. Cost is FREE. Open to all ages. Presented by the Eastside Heritage Center, in partnership with Bellevue Parks & Community Services. For more information, contact the Eastside Heritage Center at 425-450-1049 or visit www.eastsideheritagecenter.org.

- Apr. 25** **Nosy about Nests**, 10 a.m.-11 a.m. at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. Join a naturalist for a walk in the park to look for nests! Each person will make a nest of their own to bring home. Program Cost: \$7. Visit www.naturevision.org for more information. To register, call 425-836-2697.
- Apr. 25** **Sheep Sheering**, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. at Kelsey Creek Farm, 410 130th Pl SE. See the sheep being shorn of their winter coats, spinning demonstrations, children's crafts, tractor rides, pony rides, food and more! Admission is free. Free admission. Costs vary for food and activities. No ATM on site, and no charge cards are accepted. For more information call 425-452-7688.
- Apr. 25, 26** **Hua Yuan Chinese Floral Art Exhibition**, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main St. The exquisite floral arrangements created by members of the school will be on display in the Visitor Center. Admission is free. For more information call 425-452-2750.

May Events

- May 1-9** **The Comedy of Errors**, Friday, May 1 & 8 at 7 pm, Saturday, May 2 & 9 at 7 p.m., Sunday, May 3rd at 2 p.m., Thursday, May 7th at 7 p.m., Bellevue Youth Theatre, 16661 Northup Way. Join us for a night of madcap adventure as we present Shakespeare's "The Comedy of Errors." The Bard has done it again, with this wild farce about the antics of two sets of twins and a series of mistaken identities. Suitable for older children and adults. Presented in the original language. \$9 per seat, reserved seating. For more information call Sheila Framke at 425-452-7155.
- May 2** **Eastside Fuchsia Society Plant Sale**, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street. Featuring a great selection of plants from Eastside Fuchsia Society. For more information, call 425-452-2750.
- May 7** **Public Pony Rides**, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 p.m., at Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park, 410 130th PL SE, 98005. Bring your little one down to the farm for a ride on one of our adorable ponies. Ages 3 & up, weight limit/100 lbs. Cost is \$3 per ride. Line closes at 11:30 am – no exceptions.
- May 8** **Barn Dance**, 7:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Highland Community Center, 14224 Bel-Red Rd. The Highland Community Center is holding a dance for adults with developmental disabilities ages 16 and up. Come dressed in

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country attire or just jeans and a t-shirt. Light refreshments will be served. For more information please contact Kim Indurkar at 425-452-6105.

- May 9** **WA Native Plant Society Sale, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.**, Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street. Proceeds benefit Washington Native Plant Society. For more information, call (206) 619-1073.
- May 10** **Mothers Day Social**, 1-4 p.m. at Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street. Open house featuring light refreshments, music and a celebration of the opening of the rhododendron glen at the garden. For more information, call 425-451-3755 or visit www.bellevuebotanical.org
- May 12** **Mother's Day Dance**, 2 p.m.-4 p.m., North Bellevue Community Center; 4063 148th Avenue NE. Enjoy the Sounds Of Swing performing for your dancing pleasure. Fee of \$3 payable at the door. Call 425-452-7681 for additional information.
- May 13** **Mother's Day Luncheon**, 11:30-1:30; North Bellevue Community Center; 4063 148th Avenue N E. Celebrate the joys of motherhood with a festive meal and a rousing game of Bingo. Pre-registration required by May 8. Suggested donation of \$3 for those 60+ and charge of \$6 for those under 60 payable at the door. Call 425-452-7681 for details.
- May 14** **Public Pony Rides**, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 p.m., at Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park, 410 130th PL SE, 98005. Bring your little one down to the farm for a ride on one of our adorable ponies. Ages 3 & up, weight limit/100 lbs. Cost is \$3 per ride. Line closes at 11:30 am – no exceptions.
- Mar 30** **Youth Link Teen Closet Distribution Event**, 4:30-6:30 p.m. at World Impact Network, 2015 Richards Road, Bellevue (just between SE 21st & Richards Road). Teen Closet is free clothing bank for teens and families in the Bellevue area. Individuals, families, and community groups interested in volunteering at the event can contact Patrick Alina, Youth Link Program Coordinator, at 425-452-5254 or via email at palina@bellevuewa.gov For more info, please visit web site at www.youthlink.com
- May 22-31** **Oliver!**, Friday, May 22nd & 29th at 7 p.m., Saturday, May 23rd at 7 p.m., Saturday, May 30th at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m., Sunday, May 24th & 31st at 2 p.m., Bellevue Youth Theatre, 16661 Northup Way. Follow Oliver's journey from workhouse to the streets, to a loving home and all the twists and turns in this classic story. \$10 per seat, reserved seating. For more information call Sheila Framke at 425-452-7155.
- May 27** **National Senior Health & Fitness Day**, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., South Bellevue Community Center, 14509 SE Newport Way. Celebrated nationally, seniors are invited to come and explore fitness possibilities, learn about healthy aging, and try out some classes. Spend the day with us here at the South Bellevue Community Center and embrace that active lifestyle. Celebrate this year with an open house for our new 9 hole putting

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green course and refreshments at the 10th hole. FREE. For more information call 425-452-4240

May 20 Youth Link 19th Annual Community Leadership Awards Night, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Bellevue City Hall, 450 110th Avenue NE. This is a free community youth recognition event celebrating student and teen contributions in our community. Individuals, families, and community groups interested in volunteering at the event can contact Patrick Alina, Youth Link Program Coordinator, at 425-452-5254 or via email at palina@bellevuewa.gov For more info, please visit web site at www.youthlink.com

May 30 Bellevue Downtown Art & Park Walk – 10 K, Start and registration 8 a.m. to 12 noon at the Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24th St. Walk on neighborhood and city sidewalks, parks, and pedestrian ways to view over 20 pieces of public art. Enjoy a diverse array of media, style, expression and cultural heritage. American Volkssport Association sanctioned walk in partnership with Bellevue Park & Community Services. Free, for more information call 425 452-7106.

Ongoing Events

April – June Babies in the Barnyard, Kelsey Creek Farm Park. Welcome springtime with a tour of our newest barnyard baby animals, which may include chicks, goat kids, a calf, and piglets. Learn about their special care and feeding, tour our historic barn, and finish up in the garden planting pumpkin seeds. Many groups return in the fall to check on their pumpkin's growth and choose a pumpkin from our indoor pumpkin patch. Pre-registration required. For more information e-mail kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov or call 425 452-7688.

Apr. – Oct. Docent-led tours, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. every Saturday & Sunday at Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main St. Reservations are not required. For more information call 425-451-3755.

Weekly. Sundays (Mar)

Walking with Wildlife, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m., at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5805 Lakemont Blvd. SE. Join the Rangers for a walk through stunning Lewis Creek Park. Learn what you should and should not do when you encounter wildlife in the parks. Please be prepared to go outside. Free. All ages welcome. For more information call 425-452-4195

Weekly. Thursdays

Apr. Docent Training, 9 am – 12 pm, Thursday mornings on the following dates: Feb 26, March 5, 12, 19, 26 April 2 and April 9 at Bellevue Botanical Garden Visitor Center, 12001 Main Street. Learn, lead and share your gardening passion by becoming a Bellevue Botanical Garden Society Docent. The classes are informative, fun and free. For more

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information: call 425-451-3755 or email:
bbgsoffice@bellevuebotanical.org.

Sit, Sip & Stroll, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., at Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118th Ave. SE . Take in the magnificent views of Mercer Slough. Enjoy our brand new sustainably built facility that sits among the trees. Sip on coffee or tea as you observe and discuss nature from a comfortable chair or use the spotting scope to find and watch wildlife. Then, a Park Ranger will lead a guided stroll along the trails. Starting October 30th, adults and seniors are welcome to drop-in the Douglas Fir Community Room to join us every Thursday at 11:00 am. No registration necessary. For more information call 425-452-2565.

Weekly. Saturdays

Guided Tour and Wetland Walk, 1p.m. – 2 p.m. at Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118th Ave. SE. Join us for a free guided tour of the new Environmental Education Center and wetland walk in the Mercer Slough Nature Park. Starting November 1st, we'll meet at the Visitor Center every Saturday at 1:00 pm. No registration necessary. All ages are welcome. For more information call 425-452-2565.

Weekly. Saturday (April-June)

Saturday Strolls, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m., at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5805 Lakemont Blvd. SE. Join the Rangers for a walk through the beautiful Lewis Creek Park. Expand your knowledge of the natural world, as we explore the parks diversity of wildlife and plants. Bring your dog, bring a friend but be prepared to go outside, so dress for the weather and wear sturdy footwear. Free. For more information call 425-452-4195.

First Thursday of each month

Bellevue Network On Aging Meeting- 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m. at Bellevue City Hall, Room 1E-120, 450 110th Ave NE. For more information, call 425-452-7681 or visit www.bellevuewa.gov/network_on_aging.htm

Fourth Tuesday of each Month

Bellevue Youth Court, 6p.m. – 8 p.m., Bellevue City Hall - Council Chambers, 450 110th Ave NE. Monthly session of Bellevue Youth Court. Two juvenile court cases. For more information, call 425-452-2846.

First Saturday of the Month

Bellevue Birding, 9 a.m.-10 a.m. at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. Once a month, grab your binoculars and your boots and come join us to look for birds. Free. For more information call 425-452-4195.

Seasonal Events

Mar – May **After School Volunteers**, 3p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park, 410 130th PL SE, 98005. Earn community service hours in this once-a-week after school volunteer

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program at Kelsey Creek Farm. You will assist the farm staff with the daily operations, help with the animal chore routine, and learn responsible animal care. You need to have a willingness to learn, a positive attitude, a tolerance for being outside, and an interest in animals. Participants must be capable of understanding and following directions. No program when Bellevue schools are not in session. Pre-registration is required. For more information e-mail kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov or call 425 452-7688.

Event information as of January 30, 2009