

# OZAUKEE LIFESTYLES

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## Just add water

*The theme of this year's Treasures of Oz Tour, which takes place Saturday, June 16 is Ozaukee's Other Coast*

OZAUKEE COUNTY — Treasures of Oz is a fun-filled day that may change your life. Discover things that enrich your life, learn to reduce our stress in nature, find opportunities for recreation and meaningful volunteering, have a memorable adventure and connect with others who love the outdoors and natural places. This event is free and family-friendly.

Treasures of Oz celebrates surprising treasure sites of Ozaukee County June 16. The day is focused on Ozaukee's Other Coast, the great Milwaukee River that runs from the top to the bottom of the county. There are seven sites this year. Participants may want to take them all in or just pick the ones that pique their interest. Sites are open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., with a celebration at Forest Beach Migratory Preserve from noon to 4:30 p.m.

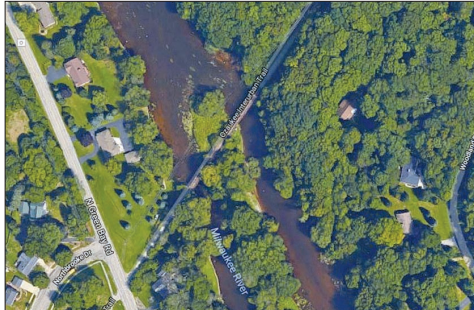
Tour-goers can pick up a passport and have them stamped by volunteers at any of the stops. At the end of the tour at Forest Beach Migratory Preserve, each stamp on a passport will earn the voyager a raffle ticket. Passports can also be downloaded on the website.

For more information, visit [www.treasuresofoz.org](http://www.treasuresofoz.org).



Photos submitted

Located at 4970 Country Club Road in Port Washington, this 116-acre preserve borders the Lake Michigan coast. It has much to offer on the tour. Jeanne Lord will show off raptors of Pineview Wildlife Rehabilitation. Randy Hetzel and his critters will be around all day. Learn how to raise monarch butterflies with the Monarch Project. Steve & Friends will provide music, food and beverages will be available for purchase, raffle tickets can be turned in and guests can take part in a silent auction that supports the event.



Ozaukee County has federally owned islands on the Milwaukee River. Staff from the Bureau of Land Management will staff **Bike Path Island**, just east of Green Bay Road under the Ozaukee Interurban Trail Bridge. Park at the Grafton Aquatic Center.



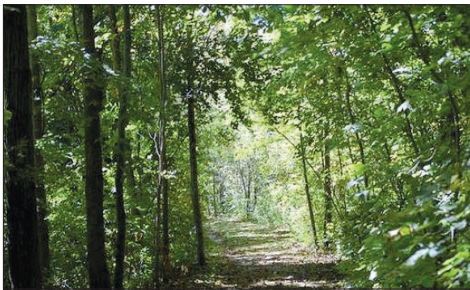
Just northeast of Bike Path Island and the Interurban Trail is **Bratt Woods**. Staff will explain how Ozaukee Washington Land Trust protects thousands of acres and creates 32 public preserves, 32 to date, in the area.



The **Ozaukee Interurban Trail** runs the entire length of Ozaukee County and connects to the Oak Leaf Trail in Milwaukee and the Sheboygan Interurban Trail to the north. It is a great biking trail and is popular for both running and walking year-round.



**Riveredge Nature Center** celebrates 50 years of serving Ozaukee and is located at 4458 Highway Y in Saukville. Riveredge's Mary Hollebeck and naturalist Kate Redmond will show off the educational structure and dock, the sturgeon-rearing facility and talk about invertebrates and water quality.



**Hawthorne Hills HH Peters Camp** and **Shady Lane State Natural Area** are close to Hawthorne Hills Golf Course, 4880 Highway I in Saukville. The area offers trails through a pristine woods. Andrew Struck and Ozaukee Park staff will talk about tree identification. Milwaukee Riverkeeper will share their expertise. The youth camp can be rented for youth camping.



Ozaukee County has an internationally recognized model program reconnecting streams and waterways that were separated as communities grew. A prime example of the Ozaukee Fish Passage Program can be seen at the dam in **Thiensville Village Park**.