

Goose Lake Prairie Partners, Inc

Special Events for 2016

Goose Lake Prairie State Natural Area.

31st Annual Cabin Festival	June 4	10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
<p>See authentic pioneer crafts done by the Prairie Partners and Friends as they re-enact in authentic dress. Visit the Cragg Cabin history exhibit and prairie life presentations. Park your car in the visitor center parking area. Walk the trail to the Cabin or ride the wagon. Some demonstrators and vendors will have items for sale. The gift shop will be under the tent. The event is to celebrate cabin living and life in the 1830's. Location is in and around the Cragg Cabin North North-East of the Visitor's Center.</p>		
10th Annual Nature Photography Contest	August 7 (Sunday)	Noon – 3:00 p.m. Accept photo entries.
	August 11 (Thursday)	6:00 p.m. Closed contest Judging in Auditorium.
	August 12 (Friday)	Partners Prepare exhibit.
	August 13-14 (Sat-Sun)	Exhibit Days during Center hours.
	August 14 (Sunday)	Exhibit Closes 3:30 p.m. -- 4:00 to 4:30 p.m. Photo pick up.
<p>The Nature Photo contest offers budding photographers a chance to display the best photographs from their many trips to State Parks in Illinois this past year. While we would hope that everyone visits the GLPSNA for their entries, <u>photographs are to be taken in state parks in Illinois.</u> See our website for details. All activities are in the Visitor's Center.</p>		
19th Annual Prairie Day	September 17	10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
<p>The Annual Prairie Day celebrates the prairie environment at the Goose Lake Prairie State Natural Area, 5010 N. Jugtown Road, Morris, IL 60450. It is in conjunction with National Prairie Week. Prairie Day began as an annual activity in 1997. It traditionally falls on the Saturday of the third full week in September. Other park amenities are open during the Festival. Visit the butterfly barn, the picnic areas and play yards. Walk the trails and look into the Cragg Cabin. Profits from all events are used for future educational programs. Exelon Generations Dresden Station is sponsoring this event. Located in and around the Visitor's Center.</p>		
Natural Resource Tour	September 21 - 23	9:00 a.m. - 2 p.m.
<p>Directed by the Grundy County Soil and Water Conservation District; <i>(Project aimed at 5th Grade School Children.)</i> This event is <u>closed to the public.</u> The Prairie Partners are responsible for the Cabin History Presentations to area schoolchildren. Activities happen in and around the Cragg Cabin and the visitor's Center.</p>		
Annual Holiday Open House	November 12	1 p.m. - 3 p.m.
<p>We will be decorating the Christmas tree once again with homemade ornaments. If you would like to contribute to our tree, come join us. Children will make holiday ornaments in the visitor's center. Hot apple cider and homemade cookies will be served. Located in the Visitors Center.</p>		

Desk Service on Weekends Project Begins April 1 and Ends with Holiday Open House.
ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. NO RAIN DATES WILL BE ASSIGNED.
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