



# Thirteen Lines

News and Notes from the LaGrange County Department of Parks and Recreation

Fall 2025

**LaGrange  
County  
Parks**  
and recreation



## Archery Tournament

August 9, 2025  
8 am - 3 pm



Where: Pine Knob Park - 2825 E St Rd 120, Howe, IN

Registration Forms & Fee due by: August 7

Registration fee: \$5 per archer

Tournament Rules available upon registration

### Format:

Archers will shoot in 2-man teams scoring their best arrow.

Register as 2 - man team or single. Single registrants will be paired with another single registrant

Each team will be paired with another team

Iron Buck Competition

### Register at:

Parks Office:  
505 W 700 S,  
Wolcottville, IN

OR

Back Country Outdoors  
0410 W 700 S,  
Wolcottville, IN

### Parks Office

505 W 700 S,  
Wolcottville, IN 46795

Office Hours:  
8: 00 am - 3:30 pm

260-854-2225  
parks@lagrangecounty.in.gov

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### LaGrange County Office Closed:

September 1 Labor Day

October 13 Columbus Day

### Fun Holidays:

August 12 Middle Child Day

August 18 Bad Poetry Day

September 3 Doodle Day

September 25 One Hit Wonder Day

October 13 U.S. Navy Birthday

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# Maple Wood Programs

## Fall Quilt Classes:

**9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

**Registration is required. Register with the Park Office, 260-854-2225. Fee is \$25 (\$5 is given back to Parks).**

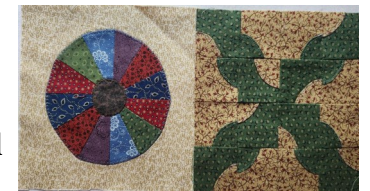
August 23: Jacobs Ladder— has an alternating path of light and dark; fun to be creative with the direction ( listed as Underground RR in book).

Monkey Wrench — can be scrappy or background and a color.



September 20: Wagon Wheel — a fun way to learn easy appliqué.

Drunkards Path — lots of versatility here; good time to practice curves.



October 18: Shoo-Fly — a classic block with a number of variations.

Crossroads — another traditional block done in one color plus a background or it can be scrappy .



NOTE: We are using Eleanor Burns “Underground Railroad” book for all the fall/winter classes. This gives you a wonderful opportunity to hone or learn new skills. You are welcome to make all or some of the blocks. We suggest that you purchase her book. It includes lots of helpful information.

## Sewing Group

**Third Wednesday 9:30 a.m.- 3:30 p.m.**

What is a UFO? If you answered an un-finished object...this is the perfect sewing group for you!

Open to anyone! Bring your sewing machine. Get help and direction with a project, share ideas with others, and make new friends. Please bring a sack lunch and munchie to share. Please bring a \$5.00 donation for LaGrange County Parks. RSVP to Linda Grobis 260-351-3609

## Breakfast with the Birds

**Third Wednesday 9:00-11:00 a.m.**

Coffee, doughnuts, and casual nature conversation. For all ages.

August 20– Identifying Tracks

September 17– Our Great Lakes

October 15– Lagrange County Tree species



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# Park Events

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## **Free Canoeing at Pine Knob Park**

**Fridays, August 1 and August 15 12:00– 5:00 p.m.**

Come and practice your Canoe Skills! Participants can borrow a canoe and life jackets for 30-minute time periods. Canoes will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Paddle Meteer Lake for free in a County Parks canoe! Children aged 15 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. This event will be canceled for high wind or storms.

## **Archery Tournament at Pine Knob Park**

**Saturday, August 9 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

Archers put your skills to the test. We will be holding a 3-D archery tournament. The format will be two-man teams scoring their best arrows. Teams will pair up with another team for scoring. Take a shot at the Iron Buck and test your aim.

Registration is \$5.00 per archer. Register at the park office or Back Country Outdoors.



## **Mountain Biking at Duff Memorial Park**

**Sundays, August 10 and 24 1:30-3:30 p.m**

Join other riders as we test, expand, and build our only mountain bike trail in Lagrange County. All skill levels are welcome for this open ride.

## **FeNGke 5k at Pine Knob Park**

**Saturday, August 16 8:00 a.m.**

Come run through our beautiful Pine Knob Park, crossing boardwalks and trails through the Mike Metz Fen. Dress in your FeNGke (“funky”) outfits and have fun! Prizes will be given to winners in each age and gender class and a prize will go to the runner with the most funky outfit.

## **Parks Youth Day at Dallas Lake Park**

**Saturday, September 6 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

Forging positive relationships between our youth and local law enforcement and community partners. Attendees will get to interact with community partners in fun activities and see programs from law enforcement, fire services and EMS. Lunch, snacks, and door prizes!

## **Canoe Regatta at Wall Lake**

**Sunday, September 14 9:00 a.m. –1:00 p.m.**

A regatta is a series of races normally done with super expensive sailboats over a full week. Instead of a super expensive sail boat, bring your canoe for a series of races on Wall Lake.

### Forest School at Delt Church Park

**Thursdays, September 25, October 2, 9, 16, and 23 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

Forest School is a nature education program geared towards ages 6-12 meant to build a foundation for students to understand the environments in our county. We will be learning about the interactions between people and our water systems with activities and games. Register with park office.

### Not So Spooky Trail At Maple Wood Nature Center

**Friday, October 17 5:00– 7:30 p.m.**

A fall family program with little ones in mind. We will have wagon rides through the woods, crafts, games, face painting, marshmallows for roasting, snacks and candy.

## Walking and Running Events



# FəNGkē 5k Fun Run & Walk

**Saturday, August 16, 2025 Mike Metz Fen Trail at Pine Knob Park  
2825 E St. Rd 120, Howe, IN**



**Sign up online with [Runsignup.com](https://www.runsignup.com) !**



**\$30 Ticket - Full Goody Bag**  
Available online through July 26.  
Includes t-shirt and other fun prizes!

**\$15 Ticket - Run only ticket**  
Available online July 27 to 9 am on day of race.  
Printed registration forms are available. Contact the park office (Info. at bottom) to get yours!

#### Schedule:

- 8:00 - 9:00 am : Walk in registration and packet pickup
- Walk to starting point -- Mike Metz Fen Trail Head
- 9:30 am: (Approximately) Fun Run & Walk begins

This is **NOT** a timed race! This is a fun family event open to all who want to participate by walking, running, jogging, rolling, or any combination. Enjoy the scenery!! Trails are crushed limestone and boardwalk.

Fun awards will be given to first male & female finishers in four divisions:

- Child: ages 10-12
- Adult: ages 20-50
- Teen: ages 13-19
- Masters: ages 51 and up

#### **Dress FəNGkē!**

Fengke is the phonetic spelling of funky. Dress up in a **FUNKY**, family-friendly, fun costume for a chance to win best overall costume prize!

#### **For more information:**

Call park office at 260-854-2225 or email [parks@lagrangeparks.org](mailto:parks@lagrangeparks.org)

Website: [www.lagrangeparks.org](http://www.lagrangeparks.org)









# Calendars



## AUGUST 2025

For more information: Check our Facebook Events  
or call office 260-854-2225



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><i>* = Reservations are appreciated</i></p>	<p><i>\$ = Registration &amp; Fee required</i></p>	<b>NATIONAL WELLNESS MONTH</b>			<p>1 Canoe at Pine Knob Park 12 - 5 pm</p> 	<p>2 National Disc Golf Day Every Park Every Trail Fitness Walk Fen @ Pine Knob Park 9am</p>
3	4	5	6	7	8 <p>National Pickleball Day</p> 	9  <p>Archery Shoot \$ Pine Knob Park 8am - 3 pm</p>
10 <p>Mountain Biking Duff Memorial Park 1:30 - 3:30 pm</p> 	11	12	13 	14	15 <p>Canoe at Pine Knob Park 12 - 5 pm</p> 	16 <p>FeNGke 5K \$ Fun Run &amp; Walk Pine Knob Park 9:00 am</p>
17	18	19 <p>Patchwork Trails Nature Walk David Rogers Park 6pm</p>	20 <p>Breakfast with the Birds Maple Wood 9-11 am Sewing Group Maple Wood 9:30am - 3:30pm</p>	21 <p>Park Board Meeting Maple Wood 7pm</p>	22 	23 <p>Quilt Class \$ Maple Wood 9am-3pm</p> 
24 <p>Mountain Biking Duff Memorial Park 1:30 - 3:30 pm</p> 	25	26	27	28	29	30 <p>National Beach Day</p>
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# SEPTEMBER 2025



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Labor Day Park Offices Closed	2 <b>NATIONAL MUSHROOM MONTH</b>	3 <b>NATIONAL MUSHROOM MONTH</b>	4 <b>NATIONAL MUSHROOM MONTH</b>	5	6 Youth Day Dallas Lake Park Every Park Every Trail Fitness Walk Dallas Lake Park 9am
7	8	9	10 	11	12	13
14 Canoe Regatta Wall Lake Beach 9 am - 1 pm	15	16 Patchwork Trails Nature Walk Mike Metz Fen 6pm	17 Breakfast with the Birds Maple Wood 9-11 am Sewing Group Maple Wood 9:30am - 3:30pm	18 National Pawpaw Day Park Board Meeting Maple Wood 7pm	19	20 Quilt Class \$* Maple Wood 9am-3pm
21	22 First Day of Autumn	23	24	25	26	27 Indiana Free Fishing Day National Family Health/Fitness Day
28	29	30			* = Reservations are appreciated	\$ = Class Fee is required

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# OCTOBER 2025

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
* = Reservations are appreciated	\$ = Class Fee is required	<b>FALL FOLIAGE WEEK</b> <b>SEPTEMBER 28 - OCTOBER 4</b>				<b>National Play Outside Day</b>  Every Park Every Trail Fitness Walk Maple Wood 9am
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	 15 Breakfast with the Birds Maple Wood 9-11 am  Sewing Group Maple Wood 9:30am - 3:30pm	16	17	18
	Columbus Day Park Offices Closed			Park Board Meeting Maple Wood 7pm	Not So Spooky Trail Maple Wood 5 - 7:30 pm	Quilt Class \$* Maple Wood Nature Center 9am-3pm
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

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Park Office Hours: Monday-Friday

8:00am-Noon, 12:30-3:30pm

Park Hours Labor Day—April 30:  
8:00am—Sunset

Park Hours May 1—Labor  
Day:8:00am– 9pm

**\$5.00 Donations to offset the yearly cost of printed versions of 13 lines are requested**

To Receive *Thirteen Lines* Newsletter as an email, send us an email with “Thirteen Lines” in the subject. It is also available for download at [www.lagrangeparks.org](http://www.lagrangeparks.org).

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Join our Email Community! Contact the park office to sign-up. 260-854-2225

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Park Ranger Randy asks all patrons to please practice “leave no trace” when visiting our parks and beaches, and to follow posted speed limit signs for our children’s safety.

Let’s all work together to keep our parks clean and safe.

