

Scouting for Wildlife

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Scouting for Wildlife is an exciting new program for girls who love the outdoors. The weekend-long event will be held April 27th – 29th and will offer girls in grades 6 - 12 the opportunity to get up close with wildlife. Girls will meet a live flying squirrel and build squirrel nest boxes, try out radio telemetry and sharpen their wildlife tracking skills, identify bats using the Annabat meter, find out about fish in Little Grassy Lake and meet a wildlife Rehaber and some of her animals. Scouting for Wildlife strives to show girls the path to turn their passion for wildlife into a career.

The event takes place at Camp Cedar Point in Makanda and is sponsored by Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge and the Girl Scouts of Southern Illinois in partnership with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Southern Illinois University and Southeast Missouri University.

Registration is just \$20 for Girl Scouts and \$32 for non-scouts and includes camping, meals and all activities. To register contact Carol Ann Hering at 618-692-0692.

For more information about upcoming programs, please contact the Refuge Visitor Center at 618/998-5933.

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