DEKALB COUNTY
FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT

200 North Main Street
Sycamore, Illinois 60178

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FOREST PRESERVE INFORMATION
DeKalb County Forest Preserves are open year round

SHELTER HOUSE RENTAL, TIME SCHEDULE & FEES
Call Forest Preserve Managers for reservations - see below

ENCLOSED SHELTERS
(MacQueen, Russell, Chief Shabbona, & Sannauk Preserves)
(electricity, picnic tables, firewood & wood burning stoves)
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. $15.00/resident $20.00/non-resident
5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. $10.00/resident $15.00/non-resident
Overnight use of enclosed shelters by organized groups (primarily weekend use by scouts), the fees are:
Fri. p.m. - Sat. p.m. $25.00/resident $30.00/non-resident
Fri. p.m. - Sun. p.m. $35.00/resident $40.00/non-resident

MACQUEEN LODGE
(picnic tables, kitchen & bathroom facilities, fireplace, gas heat)
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. $35.00/resident $40.00/non-resident
5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. $15.00/resident $20.00/non-resident

AFTON PRESERVE
8:00 a.m. to sunset (no electricity)
Large open air shelter $20.00/resident $25.00/non-resident
Small open air shelter $15.00/resident $20.00/non-resident
Enclosed shelter $35.00/resident $40.00/non-resident

PA. NEHRING, KNUTE OLSON JR.
(no electricity)
Open air shelter $25.00/resident $30.00/non-resident

TENT CAMPING
Tent camping is allowed only at MacQueen Forest Preserve at a cost of $4.00 per tent. Campfires must be in designated campsite areas only. Call Forest Preserve Managers for camping and shelter house reservations (see below).

FOREST PRESERVE STAFF
DeKalb County Forest Preserve District Office & Information 815-895-7191
FAX 815-895-7284
Web Site www.dekalbcounty.org/ForestPreserve
Natural Resource Manager 815-751-5529
Preserve Managers
Chief Shabbona 815-751-3611
Russell Woods 815-895-5556
MacQueen 815-522-6254
Afton 815-756-6633
Sannauk 815-901-5787
The Natural Resource Education Center at Russell Woods 815-784-2000

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Discover, explore and enjoy your forest preserves!

**FACILITIES AND RECREATION INFORMATION**

**Site** | **Address** | **Acres** | **Hiking Accessible** | **Tree/Canopy Camping** | **Canoe/Cross Country Skiing** | **Fishing** | **Hiking** | **Natural Resource Center** | **Open Play Fields** | **Picnic** | **Playground** | **Enclosed Shelters** | **Open-Air Shelters** | **Snowmobiling** | **Sledding Hill** | **Field** | **Water** | **Biking**
A | MacQueen Forest Preserve | 3640 Scout Rd. Kirkland, IL 60146 | 48 | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
A1 | Potawatomi Woods Forest Preserve | 32199 Kirkland Rd. Kirkland, IL 60146 | 300 | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
B | Prairie Oaks Forest Preserve / South Branch Prairie | 7535 Cherry Valley Rd. Kingston, IL 60145 | 82 | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
C | Hoppe Heritage Farm Preserve | 31966 Pleasant Hill Rd. Kingston, IL 60145 | 60 | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
C1 | Russell Woods Forest Preserve | 11750 State Rte. 72 Genoa, IL 60135 | 126 | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
D | Knute Olson, Jr., Preserve | 12595 Base Line Rd. Kingston, IL 60145 | 26 | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
E | Adee’s Woods Preserve | 4106 Old State Road Kirkland, IL 60146 | 10 | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
F | Wilkinson-Renwick Marsh | 25855 Gildon Rd. Claire, IL 60111 | 46 | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
G | Great Western Bike Trail | DeKalb and Kane Counties | 17 mi. | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
H | P.A. Nehring Preserve | 380 Bethany Rd. DeKalb, IL 60115 | 28 | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
I | DeKalb / Sycamore Trail | DeKalb County | 6 mi. | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
J | Merritt Prairie Forest Preserve | 14401 Keslinger Rd. DeKalb, IL 60115 | 56 | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
K | Afton Forest Preserve | 13600 Crespo Road DeKalb, IL 60115 | 316 | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
L | Chief Shabbona Forest Preserve | 4490 Preserve Rd. Shabbona, IL 60550 | 88 | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
M | Sannauk Forest Preserve | 15250 US Hwy 34 Somonauk, IL 60552 | 73 | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
N | County Farm Preserve | 2305 State Rte. 23 DeKalb, IL 60115 | 9 | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
O | Sycamore Forest Preserve | 905 East State St. Sycamore, IL 60178 | 60 | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |

* The South Branch Kishwaukee River flows northwest through P.A. Nehring, Knute Olson Jr., Russell Woods, Potawatomi Woods and MacQueen Forest Preserves.
* Dogs must be leashed at all times in forest preserves, except at designated off leash areas. Dogs are not allowed at Prairie Oaks Forest Preserve.
* For information about other public park areas, contact Shabbona Lake State Park and Kishwaukee State Fish and Wildlife Area at 815-824-2106, DeKalb Park District at 815-758-6663, or Sycamore Park District at 815-895-3365.
* Forest Preserves are open all year and hours are from sunrise to sunset.
* Alcoholic Beverages are not allowed in Forest Preserves.
* DeKalb County Forest Preserve District offers 3 areas with horseback riding trails. Potawatomi Woods forest preserve has a 1 mile loop trail, horseback riding is allowed on the mowed shoulders of the 3 mile DeKalb County section of the Great Western Trail (no parking on site for horse trailers) and horseback riding is allowed on the ½ mile gravel road at Chief Shabbona forest preserve (linked parking on site for horse trailers). Please call (815) 895-7191 for questions and any other information.

The DeKalb County Forest Preserve District was established in 1940 to acquire, preserve and restore natural resources to provide recreation and education, and for the protection of our natural heritage.