



# Calendar of Events for June-Aug



Tours and Presentations	Volunteer Workdays	Training Workshops	Special Events		Children are always welcome, but these activities are more appropriate
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Date	Time	Meeting Location	Activity
16 June Saturday	8:00 am – 10:00 am	Midewin SO (Welcome Center)	<a href="#">Public Tour: Birds of Midewin</a> Car caravan led by volunteer interpreters John Baxter and Lee Witkowski.
16 June Saturday	10:00 am – Noon	Midewin SO (Welcome Center)	<a href="#">Midewin for Kids: Make a Prairie Fairy House</a>
18 June Monday	8:30 am – 12:30 pm	Midewin SO (Welcome Center Employee Entrance)	Vegetation Monitor Refresher New volunteers welcome – those without existing plant ID knowledge but who are interested are welcome to start as scribes!
21 June Thursday	9:00 am – 3:00 pm	Midewin SO (Horticulture Bldg)	**General Restoration Workday
<del>23 June</del> Saturday	<b>CANCELED</b> To be rescheduled	Midewin SO (Welcome Center)	<b>Family Workday to REACT</b> (Restoration and Education for Adults and Children Together) – Restoration planting, invasive removal, wetland activities with insects and frogs Coordinated by Midewin and The Wetlands Initiative.
23 June Saturday	10:00 am – Noon	Midewin SO (Welcome Center)	<a href="#">Public Tour: Cemeteries (Maple Hill &amp; Klingler)</a> Car caravan led by volunteer interpreter Marcia Baumgartner.
23 June Saturday	6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Midewin SO (Welcome Center)	<a href="#">Public Tour: Midewin by Bike</a> Bike ride led by volunteer interpreters Connie & Jerry Heinrich. <b>Participants must bring their own bikes (fat/hybrid tires recommended).</b>
28 June Thursday	9:00 am – 3:00 pm	Midewin SO (Horticulture Bldg)	**General Restoration Workday
30 June Saturday	8:00 am – 10:00 am	Midewin SO (Welcome Center)	<a href="#">Public Tour: Heron Rookery</a> Car caravan led by volunteer interpreters John Baxter and Lee Witkowski.
4 July Wednesday	8:00 am – 4:30 pm	Midewin SO (Welcome Center)	<b>Welcome Center Closed</b> Independence Day Holiday
5 July Thursday	9:00 am – 2:30 pm	Midewin SO (Horticulture Bldg)	**General Restoration Workday
7 July Saturday	10:00 am – 1:00 pm	Midewin SO (Welcome Center)	<a href="#">Public Tour: Ghosts of the Ammunition Plant</a> Car caravan led by volunteer interpreter Marcia Baumgartner.
7 July Saturday	4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Iron Bridge Trailhead	<a href="#">Public Tour: Midewin by Horse (Iron Bridge)</a> Horseback ride led by volunteer interpreters Mike & Trish DeLucas and Donna & Greg Malanca. <b>Participants must bring their own horses.</b>
12 July Thursday	9:00 am – 2:30 pm	Midewin SO (Horticulture Bldg)	**General Restoration Workday
14 July Saturday	10:00 am – Noon	Midewin SO (Welcome Center)	<a href="#">Midewin 4 Kids: Making Seed Bombs</a>
19 July Thursday	9:00 am – 2:30 pm	Midewin SO (Horticulture Bldg)	**General Restoration Workday
21 July Saturday	10:00 am – Noon	Midewin SO (Welcome Center)	<a href="#">Public Tour: Photography</a> Car caravan led by volunteer interpreter Jerry Heinrich.
26 July Thursday	9:00 am – 2:30 pm	Midewin SO (Horticulture Bldg)	**General Restoration Workday
28 July Saturday	8:00 am - 10:00 am	Midewin SO (Welcome Center)	<a href="#">Public Tour: Birds</a> Car caravan led by volunteer interpreter John Baxter.
28 July Saturday	10:00 am - Noon	Midewin SO (Welcome Center)	<a href="#">Public Tour: Restoration Rejuvenation Hike</a> Moderate-level hike led by volunteer interpreter Jerry Heinrich.
28 July Saturday	1:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Midewin SO (Welcome Center)	<a href="#">Public Tour: War Plants to Prairie Plants (Intro to Midewin)</a> Car caravan led by Environmental Education Specialist Wendy Tresouthick.
28 July Saturday	6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Midewin SO (Welcome Center)	<a href="#">Public Tour: Midewin by Bike</a> Led by volunteer interpreters Connie & Jerry Heinrich. <b>Participants must bring their own bikes (fat/hybrid tires recommended).</b>
2 August Thursday	9:00 am – 2:30 pm	Midewin SO (Horticulture Bldg)	**General Restoration Workday

4 August Saturday	8:30 am – 10:30 am	South Arsenal & Chicago Roads	<a href="#">Public Tour: Midwin by Horse (South Side)</a> Horseback ride led by volunteer interpreters Mike & Trish DeLucas and Donna & Greg Malanca. <b>Participants must bring their own horses.</b>
4 August Saturday	10:00 am – Noon	Midwin SO (Welcome Center)	<a href="#">Public Tour: 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 100<sup>th</sup> Illinois Regiment</a> Car caravan led by volunteer interpreters Marcia Baumgartner and Lorin Schab.
9 August Thursday	9:00 am – 2:30 pm	Midwin SO (Horticulture Bldg)	**General Restoration Workday
11 August Saturday	9:00 am – 2:30 pm	River Road Seedbeds	Planting and seed harvest
11 August Saturday	10:00 am – Noon	Midwin SO (Welcome Center)	<a href="#">Midwin 4 Kids: Hide and Seek</a>
16 August Thursday	9:00 am – 2:30 pm	Midwin SO (Horticulture Bldg)	**General Restoration Workday
23 August Thursday	9:00 am – 2:30 pm	Midwin SO (Horticulture Bldg)	**General Restoration Workday
25 August Saturday	9:00 am – 2:30 pm	River Road Seedbeds	Planting and seed harvest
25 August Saturday	10:00 am – Noon	Midwin SO (Welcome Center)	<a href="#">Public Tour: Cemetery Tour (Chicago Road &amp; Starr's Grove)</a> Car caravan led by volunteer interpreters Marcia Baumgartner and Lorin Schab.
25 August Saturday	10:00 am – Noon	Midwin SO (Welcome Center)	<a href="#">Public Tour: War Plants to Prairie Plants (Intro to Midwin)</a> Car caravan led by Environmental Education Specialist Wendy Tresouthick.
25 August Saturday	6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Midwin SO (Welcome Center)	<a href="#">Public Tour: Midwin by Bike</a> Led by interpreter Connie Heinrich. <b>Participants must bring their own bike.</b>
30 August Thursday	9:00 am – 2:30 pm	Midwin SO (Horticulture Bldg)	**General Restoration Workday

**To RSVP for Tours:** Advance registration is recommended to **guarantee** your spot either by calling our main number 815/423-6370 or at [Midwin\\_RSVP@fs.fed.us](mailto:Midwin_RSVP@fs.fed.us).

**To RSVP for workdays:** Please contact Gemma Guenther, Assistant Volunteer Coordinator, by phone at 815-423-2148 or email [gguenther@fs.fed.us](mailto:gguenther@fs.fed.us)

**Half days are optional for certain workdays, please call and ask. Knowing how many volunteers or visitors will attend an event allows Midwin staff to better organize the event, and we can inform you of any Changes or Cancellations.**

Midwin will provide tools, safety gear, and water. Please bring your own lunch. Children are welcome, but must be accompanied and supervised by a parent, guardian. Youth groups must come with chaperones. Please do not bring pets to workdays.

### **\*\*General Restoration Workdays**

The activities for these days won't be planned until a couple days beforehand and will be based on need and weather conditions. Activities will contribute to the overall restoration of Midwin and may include seed cleaning, brush cutting, herbicide treatment, invasive plant pulling, seed broadcasting, and greenhouse planting. Please be prepared for outdoor or indoor work, as we may do more than one activity on a workday.

## [Directions & Maps](#)

