

5:30 a.m. – **Early Morning Hikes** - meet at the Bayer Rec Building no later than 5:30 am

- **Bird Watching** Brian Blevins, Ornithologist
- **Photography** with Tom Rosburg, Drake University

8:00 a.m. - **Refreshments** and check-in/registration at the Bayer Rec Building

8:30-9:00 a.m. – **Welcome and Introduction**, explanation of sessions and presenter bios.



Saturday, June 13

Morning Sessions

9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Presenters	Exertion
Explore the Big Sand Mound	Explore the Big Sand Mound	Lana Artz-McComb, Louisa CCB Katie Hammond, Muscatine CCB	3
WLU Grad Student Projects - Telemetry, Data Collection		West Liberty University Grad Students	4
Exploring the Big Sand Mounds		Tom Rosburg, Drake University Brian Ritter, Nahant Marsh	4
Hands-on Herps	Hands-on Herps	Luke Hart, Muscatine CCB	1
Early lowans	Early lowans	Cherie Haury-Artz, Office of the State Archaeologist	1
Formation of the Big Sand Mound	Formation of the Big Sand Mound	Joe Artz, Retired from the Office of the State Archaeologist	2
Turtles, Snakes, and Other Fauna	Turtles, Snakes, and Other Fauna	Josh Otten, Cornell College Don Becker & Jim Scharosch, Research Team	3
Lichens of the Big Sand Mound	Lichens of the Big Sand Mound	James Colbert, Iowa State University	3
Pollinator Hike	Insects of Big Sand Mound	Paul Mayes, Retired EICC & Jim Durbin	2



Session Exertion Key - Locations Correspond with Map

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Level 2	Shorter walk onto Preserve, generally flat and on the road to Circle Loop
Level 3	Longer Walk into Preserve, off trail and up the Big Sand Mound
Level 4	Multiple miles of hiking through sandy hills, off trail to Big Dunes

**12:00 pm - 1:00 pm - Lunch - bring a sack lunch/drink
seating inside Rec Building or Outside**



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Afternoon Sessions			
1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.	2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Presenters	Exertion
Explore the Big Sand Mound	Explore the Big Sand Mound	Lana Artz-McComb, Louisa CCB Katie Hammond, Muscatine CCB	3
WLU Grad Student Projects - Telemetry, Data Collection		West Liberty University Grad Students	4
Exploring the Big Sand Mounds		Josh Otten, Cornell College Don Becker & Jim Scharosch, Research Team	4
Fire Ecology	Prairie Management	Dale Maxson, The Nature Conservancy Amanda Stallman, Louisa CCB	3
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Flora of the Sand Prairie	Flora of the Sand Prairie	Tom Rosburg, Drake University	3
Native Pollinators and Native Habitat	Monarch Butterflies	Michelle Berns, Muscatine CCB	1

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