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## **Explore Local Waterways this Summer during our Creek Exploration Series**

GENEVA, IL — Get your feet wet in local waterways this summer! Our Fox River watershed is composed of streams, creeks, and rivers that support a wealth of aquatic wildlife. Bring the whole family out to discover the unique riverine systems right in your own backyard during our "Creek Exploration Series."

The series kicks off with "Fascinating Lives of Freshwater Mussels," scheduled for Wednesday, June 19, from 2-3 p.m. at Tyler Creek Forest Preserve located at 401 Davis Rd., Elgin. Participants will delve into the intriguing life cycle of freshwater mussels while wading into Tyler Creek in search of these remarkable organisms. *Participants must wear closed-toe shoes that can get wet. Apply sunscreen and/or bug spray prior to the program*.

Continuing the exploration, the series features, "Crazy 4 Crayfish," offering a closer look at the different types of crayfish native to Illinois. Participants will have the opportunity to observe crayfish in their natural habitats during this catch and release program held at LeRoy Oakes Forest Preserve located at 37W700 Dean St., St. Charles. Two sessions are available, please register for one session only. The first session will be held on Tuesday, July 16, from 1-2 p.m. and the second session will be held on Thursday, July 18, from 1-2 p.m. *Participants must wear closed-toe shoes that can get wet. Apply sunscreen and/or bug spray prior to the program*.

To register for these free programs, visit www.kaneforest.com/register. For more information, visit www.kaneforest.com.