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## Forest Preserve District of Kane County Campgrounds Open May 1

GENEVA IL— Escape to nature and experience the beauty of the Forest Preserve District of Kane County's campgrounds. Recreational camping is open this year, from May 1 through Oct. 19. Check-in time for all campsites is at 3 p.m. and check-out is at 12 p.m.

With the aim of providing greater convenience and flexibility, campers can secure their preferred campsite at either Paul Wolff Campground in Elgin or Big Rock Campground in Big Rock via our online system at www.kaneforest.com/camping. Online reservations are required and are open now.

Paul Wolff Campground, located within Burnidge Forest Preserve in Elgin, contains 104 total camp sites. There are 89 improved sites complete with 50/30/20-amp electrical service, water access, parking pads and fire rings. There are ten primitive sites for tents-only camping; primitive sites do not have electricity. There are also five equestrian camp sites. ADA-accessible camp sites are available upon request.

The surrounding Burnidge Forest Preserve contains more than 700 acres of rolling hills and woodlands along with nine miles of trails, including a 2.25-mile multi-purpose trail suitable for hiking, biking or equestrian use. There is also a picnic shelter, fishing ponds and a climbing rock. Paul Wolff Campground is located at 38W235 Big Timber Road, in Elgin.

Big Rock Campground, located within Big Rock Forest Preserve in Big Rock, contains 109 total camp sites. There are 96 improved campsites with 50/30/20-amp electrical service, water access, parking pads and fire rings. There are nine primitive, tent-only sites without electric access. There are four equestrian sites. There are also ADA-accessible camp sites available upon request.

The surrounding Big Rock Forest Preserve is a 1,100-acre preserve containing several sandy hills that overlook the valley filled with woodlands and crystal clear streams. Fishing is permitted at the

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campground pond, or Siegler Lake. Kayaking is also permitted on Siegler Lake. There are more than nine miles of hiking trails suitable for hiking, biking or equestrian use, and two picnic shelters for campers to utilize. Big Rock Campground is located at 46W499 Granart Rd., in Big Rock. For fishing regulations, visit www.kaneforest.com/location/big-rock-forest-preserve.

Daily fees for the improved camp sites (with pad, electric, water) at both campgrounds are \$26 for Kane County residents and \$41 for nonresidents. Primitive/non-electric camp sites are \$18 per day for Kane County residents and \$24 for nonresidents. Equestrian camp sites are \$21 per day for Kane County residents and \$31 for nonresidents. Dump stations are included with camping, or \$15 for single use. Firewood is available for \$10 per bundle.

Our campgrounds operate on a cashless system, accepting Visa, Mastercard, and Discover for your convenience for online reservations. We accept cash/check for firewood and dump station fees. Online reservations should be booked prior to your arrival. If you need to modify or cancel your reservation, it will be credited to your patron account and remain valid until Dec. 31 of the following year. No refunds will be issued.

To book an equestrian site, please call the campground hotline at (630) 444-1200. International travelers, please call (630) 444-1200 to reserve your campsite. For more information, visit www.kaneforest.com, call our campground hotline at 630-444-1200, and find us on social by searching @forestpreserve.