



October 2016 Newsletter



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

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For more information

#### **Wilderness Louisville Forest Adventure**

Saturday, October 15  
at Jefferson Memorial Forest

#### **FOX (Families Outside eXploring)**

Saturday, November 5,  
9:00 AM- 11:30 AM  
Pre-registration required,  
call 368-5404.  
Fee: \$10 per family

#### **Outdoor Skills – Orienteering I**

Saturday, November 12,  
9:00 AM- Noon  
Pre-registration required,  
call 368-5404.  
Fee \$15 per person

#### **Geminid Meteor Shower Program**

Friday, December 9,  
8:00 PM- 10:00 PM  
Pre-registration required,

Welcome to the inaugural monthly newsletter for Wilderness Louisville, Inc., the non-profit working to connect all Louisville residents to nature by supporting your community forest, the 6,600 acre Jefferson Memorial Forest, and other Louisville natural areas.

#### **2016 Wilderness Louisville Forest Adventure**

#### **Sponsored by Quest Outdoors**

Don't miss this free Fall event on October 15 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Highlighting the many recreational opportunities at Jefferson Memorial Forest, it kicks off with a 5k trail run

through the knobs. Once you catch your breath, you and your kids can try your hand at archery, climb a 52-ft tower, or visit the Forest's Environmental Education Center. Food is available for purchase, but the scenery is priceless. Come speak with board members of Wilderness Louisville and find out how you can help enhance Louisville's natural treasures.



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## Funding Support for Louisville ECHO!!

Please join us in thanking the following entities for their generous contributions to support the Louisville is Engaging Children initiative (Louisville ECHO).

Louisville ECHO is a Forest-led effort to advance community health and wellness, education outcomes, and sustainability by improving equitable access to nature for Louisville youth and families.



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**TOYOTA**



(\$15,000), Toyota Motor Manufacturing of Kentucky (\$7,500), the Knollenberg Foundation (\$2,400), and Brown-Forman



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(\$1,500) is allowing hundreds of area youth to experience nature through in-school field trips to local natural areas, fun and engaging out-of-school time programming, and community events such as those listed in this newsletter.



## Please Give Your Support

Your contributions help preserve and enhance natural areas and improve them as spaces for wonder and adventure.

Visit us at [www.wildernesslouisville.org](http://www.wildernesslouisville.org).



## Our Mission:

To strengthen natural areas including Jefferson Memorial Forest by creating, restoring and stewarding these assets to promote economic development, educate and unite a diverse community of families, volunteers and advocates, and provide equitable opportunities for all citizens and visitors to experience nature.

Incorporated in 2013, Wilderness Louisville, Inc. is one of the non-profits that raise funds in support of improvements to the wonderfully varied system of public parks and open space managed by Louisville Metro Parks and Recreation.