



**GIFT A MEMBERSHIP**

**Gift Memberships!**

For the first time ever Wilderness Louisville is offering gift memberships! Click [here](#) or on the button above to buy a membership for your favorite nature lover starting at just \$25!

Your gift will come with Wilderness Louisville merch, this E-Newsletter, and more. Plus the opportunity to support Jefferson Memorial Forest and equal access to nature for all Louisville residents! AND we will send them a card or an email (whatever you choose) to inform them of your great gift! If you want a card to be sent to them by Christmas please sign up by December 12th so we can send it out in time.

Feel free to reach out to us with any questions or requests!



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**Introducing Dae!**

The ECHO program always aimed to hire participants when they were old enough and interested and we have finally accomplished that goal!

Meet our newest ECHO team member- Dae! We are so excited to have her leading our ECHOMobile and daycare programs. Check our more from Dae below.

"My name is Dashaune' Jones but I prefer to be called Dae. I'm 21 years old and from Louisville, KY. I've always had a love for animals, growing up I spent most of my time outside climbing trees or in the house watching Animal Planet. My hobbies consist of hiking, singing, and volunteering at the animal shelter. I also work as a youth care worker for Seven Counties and will start phlebotomy school this winter.

I came to JMF in 2017 through the SummerWorks Program. During my time employed with SummerWorks, we came out and helped build trails.

I learned how to make a fire and identify trees. When I came to the forest I was an angry teen, during my time spent here my supervisor Ms. Erin & the staff at JMF helped me find a peace of mind in the trees. Adding with my love for animals, the forest became my safe place. I am so happy to be back and employed through the forest 3 years later!"



**COVID Closures**

Unfortunately, due to Louisville's place in the red zone we have made the difficult decision to close the lobby of our Welcome Center once again. Our first priority is always the safety of our visitors and staff and we have made the decision that this is the safest way to move forward.

The restrooms will still be open to the public and there will still be staff available to answer any questions you have over the phone or online!

Thank you so much for your continued support through this difficult and uncertain times.

If you would like to stay up to date on our COVID guidelines follow us

on [Facebook!](#)

Until December 13th all volunteer events will be limited to two households per event. This means that on our BetterImpact page only two individuals can sign up for each event. If you'd like to volunteer with other members of your household please sign up on BetterImpact and then send our Volunteer Coordinator an email at

KristinaAnderson@louisvilleky.gov!

As always we require masks and social distancing during all of our events.

We have volunteer opportunities on Wednesday, December 9th and 16th from 9 am-12 pm working on the Paul Yost trail drainage system. You can email Kristina for more information!

**Become A Member**

If you would like to support the programs like the Echo Summer Adventure and Wilderness Louisville's mission to continue providing equitable access to nature, conserving land, and educating youth please consider becoming a Wilderness Louisville member!



**Enthusiast Membership: \$25**

*Includes:*

A t-shirt OR a hat

A bumper sticker

Our monthly e-newsletter

An invitation to our annual member appreciation event

**Ranger Membership: \$50**

*Includes*

A t-shirt AND a hat

A bumper sticker

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An invitation to our annual member appreciation event

**Traiblazer Membership: \$100**

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Invitation to exclusive trailblazer member events

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