



Friends of Lapham Peak Newsletter Vol. 28, No. 1, January 2020, by Rita Keber
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HOLIDAY GIFTS...

STATE PARK STICKERS

A great gift for the holidays...a [state park vehicle sticker and trail pass](#) at the park entrance station. Park hours are usually 11 am to 5:45 pm. Get out and enjoy nature!

BUTTERFLY GARDEN

BRICKS are available with your own design. An engraved 4x8 brick is \$75 and an 8x8 brick is \$150.



MUGS... available at the park office.

Mugs for Sale
Various color options available

Potbelly	\$24
Java Taster	\$24
Wide Mouth	\$25
Octoberstein	\$26

Proceeds benefit the Friends of Lapham Peak
100% lead free, food-safe, and microwave, oven, and dishwasher safe
Made in Neenah, Wisconsin

NEW PROPERTY MANGER

Friends of Lapham Peak welcome our new property manager **Colton Kelly!** The new guy on the block has dark hair and a beard with the ranger logo on his clothing. Give him a "Hi" when you see him.

SNOW

That's right! There is skiable snow on the manmade snowmaking loop. Thanks to the volunteers and staff for the many hours of making snow and the terrific grooming! Strap on your skier and see you out on the loop!

WEDNESDAY NITE SKI LEAGUE

Meet at Evergreen Shelter to compete against fellow ski enthusiasts beginning **January 8** through **February 12**. Registration for the [Junior Nordic Ski Series](#) (Grades K-12) and [Adult Nordic Ski Series](#) begins at 5:45 pm. State Park vehicle sticker and a State Park Trail Pass are needed. Call the Lapham Peak Ski Hotline at 262-646-4421 for snow conditions or the website's [Trail Conditions Page](#) for information. Contact [Kris Maki](#) at 262-965-2636 for adult information and [Paul Keber](#) at 262-547-4827 for grades K-12 information.

LAPHAM LOPPET

The [2020 Lapham Loppet](#) is **Saturday, January 18**. Registration is 8:00-10:15 am. Middle school 3K race begins at 9:30 am, 10:00 for Laddie & Lassie free ski and 10:30 am for the freestyle and classic race. **Help is needed.** Contact [Kris Maki](#) at 262-965-2636. **If you can provide 2 dozen cookies or bars,** contact [Rita Keber](#) at 262-547-4827.

CANDLELIGHT SKI/HIKE

Hike or ski at the annual Candlelight event on **Saturday, January 25th** from 6:00-8:45 pm at Homestead Hollow area. A 2020 WI State Park annual vehicle admission fee or a \$5.00 Special Event vehicle admission fee is required per car. **In addition to the vehicle admission, a ticket voucher is required for each vehicle that wishes to attend the event.**



Vouchers are available first-come, first-served. Limit one per person at time of pickup. Vouchers may be picked up at the Lapham Peak office starting Saturday, January 4 and prior to 6 pm on Friday, January 24, 2020 in order to ensure access to the event. Office hours are generally open from 11am-5:45pm. Carpooling is encouraged. Please call ahead at 262-646-3025 to ensure vouchers are still available. Ticket vouchers will specify the admission time and need to be presented at the gate for access. Entrants should arrive during the time frame specified. Ticket voucher time frames:

- 6 to 7 pm., Max 350 cars with reservation
- 7 to 8 pm., Max 250 cars with reservation
- 8 to 8:30 pm, Entrance gate discretion (Late skiers/hikers must start by 8:45 pm)

If you have any questions, please visit www.laphampeakfriends.org for Candlelight FAQ on the Home Page or call the park office at 262-646-3025. Contact [Rita Keber](mailto:rita.keber@statepark.wisconsin.gov) at 262-547-4827 **if you can provide two dozen cookies/bars.**

RENTALS

[Nordic Specialists](#) of Oconomowoc 262-261-3800 or 877-473-1199 provides rentals at the *Peak Nordic* white shed on the road to Evergreen Grove area. Check the [website](#) for more information. Classical and skate skis, snowshoes and Nordic walking poles are available. Rentals are also available at [Bicycle Doctor](#) 262-965-4144 in Dousman.

MEMBERSHIP

2020 Friends of Lapham Peak [membership form](#) is available. Membership dues can be payable through March 31 or through PayPal on the [website](#). The Friends Board has added a new membership category, ***Sustaining Lifetime Member.*** *Individuals who have been a lifetime member can make an additional contribution to the Friends of Lapham Peak to further our purpose "to promote and support the Lapham Peak Unit-Kettle Moraine State Forest." You can take pride in knowing your gift will be used wisely to support Lapham Peak projects that maintain and enhance the property.*

Friends of Lapham Peak is a 501(c)(3) organization; dues and donations are tax deductible.

AMAZON SMILE FOR FRIENDS OF LP

Friends of Lapham Peak is now one of the nonprofits you may donate a portion of your purchase. Check out the [Amazon Smile](#) button on the Home page.

AWARDS

Friends of Lapham Peak received **three** awards at the Friends of Wisconsin State Parks annual banquet in November. **John McCarthy** received Outstanding Volunteer, we received the Best Accessible Trail and Best Friends Group! Congratulation to all of you for volunteering and letting others see our accomplishments. Stop by the office to see the display board created by John Hillmer of our accomplishments.



NEW YEAR'S DAY FAMILY SKI DAY HIKE ICE AGE TRAIL

Bring your family to enjoy the outdoors for two great events. **New Year's Day Family Ski** will be held on the man-made ski loop. After skiing, warm up in Evergreen Shelter. View details on the [Snowmaking website](#): free lessons, bonfire, hot cocoa, kids' fun race, and more. Also, **family hikers** may join the Waukesha/Milwaukee Chapter of the **Ice Age Trail Alliance at 11:00 am** at the Hausmann Nature Center. Varying length hikes will be available. Free hot cocoa and snacks provided.

WISCONSIN STATE PARKS OutWiGo Snow

WI DNR is sponsoring an OutWiGo Snow event at Lapham Peak on

Saturday, January 11th from noon to 4 pm. \$5 cash admission for participants 18 and older. Check out their [website](#) for more information. There are events planned at Evergreen, Trecker and Hausmann Nature Center. FLP is providing soup and treats for a fee at Trecker Lodge. Contact [Rita Keber](#) at 262-547-4827 if **you can provide two dozen cookies/bars or help serve food.**

SNOWCAT NEEDED



A new groomer is needed to provide a better skiing surface and to replace to 40 year old groomer. The goal is to provide 85 days of high-quality snow at Lapham Peak each winter. Consider making a donation to Friends of Lapham Peak/Snowmaking. Use the park address listed on the letterhead. Check out the [snowmaking website](#) for details.

COLORAMA

After 31 years as Colorama director, Kris Maki has officially retired due to health and personal reasons. We thank Kris for her magnificent years of service that provided this wonderful event to thousands of participants! If anyone is interested in taking over the event for 2020, please contact the Friends of Lapham Peak Board of Directors. Go to www.laphampeakfriends.org and tab Information and Contact Us.