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Weekend Activities at Carlyle Lake

Carlyle Lake - The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Carlyle Lake Project offers an abundance of recreation opportunities for lake visitors. Dam West, Coles Creek, and Boulder Campgrounds are open with sites available on a first-come-first-serve basis and through reservation by calling the National Recreation Reservation Service at 1-877-444-6777 or online at www.recreation.gov. McNair and Dam East Campgrounds are open on a first-come-first-serve basis. The Eldon Hazlet State Park is also open and has sites available first-come, first-serve or online at www.reserveamerica.com

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers offers educational programs in the campgrounds and beaches every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday throughout the recreation season. Presentations are free and open to the public.

Friday, June 17:

- 8:00 p.m. West Bay Amphitheater, Dam West Campground – Illinois' State Symbols
- 8:00 p.m. Brewster Creek Amphitheater, Boulder Campground – Are You Smarter than a Park Ranger?
- 8:00 p.m. Cattail Cove Amphitheater, Coles Creek Campground – Let's Get Physical!

Saturday, June 18:

- 2:30 p.m. McNair Beach – Water Safety Games
- 2:30 p.m. Dam West Beach - Water Safety Games
- 3:30 p.m. Coles Creek Beach – Water Safety Games
- 3:30 p.m. Keyesport Beach – Water Safety Games
- 8:00 p.m. West Bay Amphitheater, Dam West Campground – Are You Smarter than a Park Ranger?
- 8:00 p.m. Brewster Creek Amphitheater, Boulder – Let's Get Physical!
- 8:00 p.m. Cattail Cove Amphitheater, Coles Creek Campground – Illinois' State Symbols

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Sunday, June 19:

10:00 a.m. Carlyle Lake Dam Tour – Starts at the East Spillway steps

2:00 p.m. McNair Beach – Water Safety Games

2:00 p.m. Dam West Beach – Water Safety Games

3:00 p.m. Coles Creek Beach – Water Safety Games

3:00 p.m. Keyesport Beach – Water Safety Games

The Carlyle Lake Visitor Center is open every day, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The Visitor Center has exhibits, an informational video on Carlyle Lake, a gift shop, and brochures to help you plan your stay at Carlyle Lake.

Life jackets are available at the Carlyle Lake Visitor Center through the “Life Jacket Loan Program”. For a \$5.00 deposit, a life jacket can be borrowed for the day. When the life jacket is returned in good condition, the deposit will be refunded. Please remember to always wear your life jacket when in, on, or around the water. Life jacket Loaner stations are also available at Keyesport, Dam West, McNair, and Coles Creek beaches and boat ramps.

For more information contact the Carlyle Lake Project Office at (618) 594-2484 or e-mail us at carlylelake@usace.army.mil.

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