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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Maple Sugaring on Tap for Two Saturdays in March  
Neighborhood House hosts free family events at its Dodge County Nature Center**

**Milwaukee, March 3, 2015** --- **Neighborhood House of Milwaukee**, a community center now in its 70th year, will host two free hands-on **Maple Sugaring Days** at its Nature Center in Dodge County, **Saturdays March 14th and 21st, from 9:30am – 2:00pm**.

Visitors will have the opportunity to drill, tap, and collect sap from maple trees at the 93-acre site in [Neosho](https://www.google.com/maps?hl=en&q=w2650+County+MM+Road,+Neosho,+WI&bav=on.2,or.r_qf.&bvm=bv.43287494,d.aWc&biw=1280&bih=685&um=1&ie=UTF-8&sa=N&tab=wl), WI, weather permitting. (For sap to flow in maple trees, there needs to be a succession of warm days above freezing and cold nights below freezing). The site also features a Sugar Shack where sap is boiled down to make syrup; a sledding hill; and a lodge where visitors can warm up by the fire and eat lunch.

Maple Sugaring Days are free and open to the public, and include transportation to and from the Neighborhood House main site, 2819 W. Richardson Place (one block west of 27th and one block south of State Street).

The events are part of an ongoing series of monthly outings called Family Adventures, funded by **MPS Partnership for the Arts and Humanities**. The outings get city kids and their parents outdoors and connected to the natural world in all seasons, both in and out of the city. The outings are free, and include learning experiences and explorations of the natural world that affirm the role of the parent as their child’s first teacher. Upcoming Family Adventures include Spring Birding on the Hank Aaron Trail (April 18), and trips to Devil’s Lake (May 9) and International Crane Foundation (May 23).

To register, or for more information, contact Christina Hill, [chill@nh-milw.org](mailto:chill@nh-milw.org), 414.933.6161, ext 175.

**More about Maple Sugaring Days at Neighborhood House**  
[http://nh-milw.org/2015/03/03/maple-sugaring-days-2015/](http://nh-milw.org/2015/03/03/maple-sugaring-days-2015/ )‎  
  
**More about Family Adventures at the Neighborhood House web site**<http://nh-milw.org/2015/01/27/family-adventures-winter-wings/>

**Neighborhood House Nature Center on Facebook**<https://www.facebook.com/NeighborhoodHouseOfMilwaukeeNatureCenter>

**ABOUT NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE:***Neighborhood House of Milwaukee is a community center in the settlement house tradition now in its 70th year, founded to help strengthen children and families in some of the city’s most under-served neighborhoods. The agency has touched the lives of nearly a million children and adults since 1945. Its highly regarded, award-winning programs serve infants & toddlers, school-age and teen youth, adults and families, refugees and immigrants. More at* [***www.nh-milw.org***](http://www.nh-milw.org)