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Family Nature Day Saturday at Archbold

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Courtesy photo Explore Archbold Biological Station this Saturday with education intern Anna Gubbins.

VENUS — Why is that bird burying acorns? Was that tree hit by lightning? What made that burrow? For the answers to those and many other questions, join Archbold Biological Station scientists at the Learning Center for a fun-filled Family Nature Day.

A free program open to children of all ages and their family members, the event will be from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday.

“Explore your curiosity in nature’s classroom, the Florida Scrub, discovering firsthand how native plants and animals are adapted to life in Florida,” encourages Archbold executive assistant Debbie Regnier.

Archbold education intern Anna Gubbins, a graduate of Skidmore College with a bachelor of arts in environmental studies, will lead the program together with education coordinator Dustin Angell.

“Family Nature Day participants will join me along the Nature Trail, play science games, and make crafts to take home,” Gubbins said. “I’m very excited to meet the families and show them the two amazing places called Florida scrub and Archbold.”

All children must be accompanied by an adult. Clothing should be appropriate for the forecast weather for the day and something you don’t mind getting dirty. Hats, bug spray, sunscreen, and binoculars are suggested and cameras are optional.

Archbold Biological Station’s mission is “to build and share the scientific knowledge needed to protect the life, lands, and waters of the heart of Florida.” It is located eight miles south of Lake Placid at 123 Main Drive, Venus. The entrance is 1.8 miles south of S.R. 70 on Old S.R. 8 (C.R.17).

For more information call 863-465-2571 during business hours or visit www.archbold-station.org.

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