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Several Niagara, Wis. citizens are committed to protecting monarch butterflies, an important pollinator, which like many other insects has been on the decline over the past few year. For the full story, see page 16 and 19.


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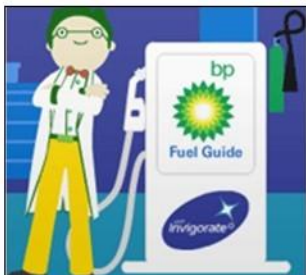
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The Interpretive Center opened in 1992, and is unique in that it houses the Florence County Forestry and Parks, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, United States Federal Forest Service, University of Wisconsin Extension and Wisconsin Department of Motor Vehicles.

Visitors can find near the Center parking lot a RV Dump Station and a fenced dog park. The Dump Station costs \$10 and offers rinse water and a water yard hydrant. The dog park is free for your dogs to run and stretch their legs. There is also a 1 mile walking trail around the Visitor Center. Dogs must be on a leash for this trail.

Let us help you plan your stay while visiting Northeast Wisconsin. Our friendly, helpful staff can show you our vast collection of maps, brochures and guides which will introduce you to a wealth of activities awaiting your in Florence County. They can also assist visitors with Go Wild Licensing, renewal registration of boats, ATVs and snowmobiles.

Our unique visitor's center features exhibits that lead insight into the demographics of our pristine landscape where woods and waters meet. While visiting, take home a keepsake from our amazing gift shop that is abundant with all that is nature.

**Interpretive Center Hours:**  
Monday –Friday 8:00am–4:00pm  
Saturdays: 9am–3pm (closed Dec1–through May1)  
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