

Elkhart, IL. Historical Society lecture at Wildhare Café -- Fri., 26 July, '24.

Doors open at 5p, serving begins at 5:30p.

Illinois is home to several firefly genera and many different firefly species, which can be identified based on flash patterns, flash colors, and behavior. Join the Elkhart Historical Society Friday July 26th for their program entitled ***The World of Our Amazing Fireflies***, presented by Allen Yow. Participants will learn about the life cycle of fireflies, how to identify, and protect them.



Yow, an avid bird watcher for more than 40 years, became curious about fireflies one night in his yard when he realized the variety of lighting patterns and colors the fireflies displayed. Whether called fireflies, lightning bugs, glow worms or moon bugs, Yow said they're all synonymous, but their unique illumination differences separate the individual groups, and allow us to identify them. This ability is the result of a complicated chemical reaction, that allows them to find a mate in the right group. Habitats are critical to every living thing- -including these amazing 'beacons' of the summer evenings. Come learn more and help them to continue adding their sparkle to our lives for generations to come.

Reservations must be made by calling 217 947 2238. After receiving confirmation, fill in the reservation form indicating your choice of entrée, which will be roast pork tenderloin in wine sauce or chicken cordon bleu and dessert, and mail it in within 5 business days with your check to The Elkhart Historical Society. The inclusive cost per person is \$45, and covers the meal, tax, and tip, of which \$15 is for the Elkhart Historical Society program. The deadline for reservations is July 15th. For reservation forms go to www.elkharthistoricalsociety.org

Doors open at 5p and dinner service begins promptly at 5:30p. Additional parking is one block east of the restaurant on Gov. Oglesby Street.