

BLACKLICK WOODS

SEPTEMBER

MONARCH MANIA

Take a 2-mile walk to search the fields for migrating butterflies and late caterpillars. All Ages *Nature Center*

SEP 1 SUN 2–3PM

FISHING BASICS

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EVENING TRAM RIDE

Take a tram ride through the park as the sun sets. All Ages *Ash Grove Picnic Area*

SEP 6 FRI 7–8PM

CRAZY CATERPILLAR DISPLAY

Caterpillars come in all shapes and sizes, some you might not even recognize as caterpillars. View our display to see the crazy diversity of these larvae of moths and butterflies. All Ages *Nature Center*

SEP 7 SAT 8AM–8PM

NATURE TRAM

Take a tram ride through the park. All Ages *Ash Grove Picnic Area*

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MORNING COFFEE AND WILDLIFE WATCH

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SEP 8 SUN 8AM–8PM

BUCKS AND BUCKEYES

Take a 2-mile walk in search of our state mammal and state tree. All Ages *Nature Center*

SEP 8 SUN 6–7PM

PRESCHOOLERS: SUPER SNAKES

Get to touch a snake and learn more about these cool critters through books, activities and a craft. Ages 3-5 *Beech Maple Lodge*

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SEP 11 WED 10–11AM

PAWPAW PROWL

Take a 1-mile walk to search the trails for our state native fruit. Sample some treats made from this tropical fruit. All Ages *Nature Center*

SEP 14 SAT 2–3PM

WOOF WALK

Bring your furry friend for a 2-mile pet-friendly walk. All Ages *Nature Center*

SEP 14 SAT 9–10AM

NATURE TRAM

Take a tram ride through the park. All Ages *Ash Grove Picnic Area*

SEP 15 SUN 3–4PM

TOTS ON TRAILS

Share a slow-paced half-mile walk with your toddler and discover nature together. Ages 4 and younger *Nature Center*

SEP 20 FRI 10–11AM

NATURE TRAM

Take a tram ride through the park. All Ages *Ash Grove Picnic Area*

SEP 21 SAT 11AM–12PM

FALL FUNGI

Learn about the role of fungi in a forest and look for mushrooms on a 1-mile walk. All Ages *Nature Center*

SEP 22 SUN 2–3PM

NATURE TRAM

Take a tram ride through the park. All Ages *Ash Grove Picnic Area*

SEP 28 SAT 2–3PM

BUGS & BLOOMS

Take a 2-mile walk to look for fall flowers and the insects that visit them. All Ages *Nature Center*

SEP 29 SUN 3–4PM

OCTOBER

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OCT 2 WED 40121400

FALL COLORS DISPLAY

See our display and discover the science behind the changing colors of leaves. All Ages *Nature Center*

OCT 5 SAT 8AM-6PM

MORNING COFFEE AND WILDLIFE WATCH

View animals through the nature center windows and enjoy a cup of coffee. All Ages *Nature Center*

OCT 5 SAT 8-10AM

YOU CAN EAT THAT

Take a 1-mile walk to learn what wild edible plants are available in autumn and try some samples. All Ages *Nature Center*

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HOMESCHOOLERS: BATS

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WHO LIVES HERE?

Take a 1-mile walk to look for animal homes. All Ages *Nature Center*

OCT 12 SAT 3-4PM

THE BIG SIT!

Count birds at the nature center feeders for 15 minutes or more. Your data can help scientists learn about bird populations. All Ages *Nature Center*

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OCT 13 SUN 1-2PM

PRESCHOOLERS: CRITTER CAMOUFLAGE

Activate your critter camouflage and discover some of nature's best disappearing acts. Disguise yourself, costumes encouraged! Ages 3-5 *Beech Maple Lodge*

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OCT 16 WED 10-11AM

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OCT 18 FRI 10-11AM

METRO FIVE-0: LEVEL 3 FALL FOLIAGE WALK

Enjoy the fall colors on a 2-mile walk. Ages 50 and older *Nature Center*

OCT 19 SAT 2-3PM

WEB MAZE

Walk through a web-maze and learn about spiders through this family-friendly maze. All Ages *Ash Grove Picnic Area*

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NATURE BABIES

Enjoy stories about nature and learn some signs in American Sign Language to practice. Ages 2 and younger *Nature Center*

OCT 21 MON 10-11AM

HALLOWEEN CRAFTS

Stop by the nature center to make some Halloween-themed crafts. Ages 4-12 *Nature Center*

OCT 26 SAT 12-4PM

STRANGER THINGS DISPLAY

Discover the weird side of nature that is seldom celebrated by viewing our display. All Ages *Nature Center*

OCT 26 SAT 8AM-6PM

HALLOWEEN HOWL

Bring your canine companion for a 2-mile walk. Costumes encouraged! All Ages *Nature Center*

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NOVEMBER

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NOV 2 SAT 8-10AM

SCOUT DAY: WEBELOS INTO THE WILD

Webelos (4th and 5th grade) will participate in activities that meet requirements for the Into The Wild pin. *Nature Center*

NOV 2 SAT 2-4PM

WOOF WALK

Bring your furry friend for a 2-mile pet-friendly walk. All Ages *Nature Center*

NOV 3 SUN 4-5PM

STORY TIME

Learn about nature through stories and activities. Ages 1-5 *Nature Center*

NOV 4 MON 10–11AM

ANIMAL GROUP NAMES DISPLAY

A murder of crows and a crash of rhinoceroses. View our display to discover other names for collective groups of animals and where they came from. All Ages *Nature Center*

NOV 9 SAT 8AM–6PM

NATURE SCHOOL: TREES

Come learn how to identify some common trees in central Ohio. All Ages *Nature Center*

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FALL CRAFTS

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PRESCHOOLERS: FALL FESTIVITIES

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METRO FIVE-0: LEVEL 4 HIKE ALL THE TRAILS

Join a naturalist for a fast-paced hike on the park's six miles of trails. Ages 50 and older *Nature Center*

NOV 16 SAT 9–10AM

BIRDFEEDING 101

Come learn about the basics of bird feeding and attracting birds to your yard. Ages 18 and older *Nature Center*

NOV 17 SUN 4–5PM

HOMESCHOOLERS: TURKEY TALES

Learn more about the wild cousin of this Thanksgiving staple through activities and a short walk. Ages 6-12 *Beech Maple Lodge*

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DRAW A TURKEY

Follow along as we draw a turkey just in time for Thanksgiving. Materials provided. Ages 12 and older *Nature Center*

NOV 23 SAT 4–5PM

WILD TURKEY DISPLAY

Learn about Ohio's gobblers by viewing our display. All Ages *Nature Center*

NOV 23 SAT 8AM–6PM

TURKEY TREK

Take a 2-mile walk to search for signs of our elusive turkeys. All Ages *Nature Center*

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NOV 24 SUN 8AM–6PM

OPT-OUTSIDE: HIKE ALL THE TRAILS

Instead of waiting in line, spend the morning exercising your body and clearing your mind. Join a naturalist on a brisk 6-mile walk through the park. All Ages *Nature Center*

NOV 29 FRI 9–10AM

THANKSGIVING CRAFTS

Stop by the nature center to make some Thanksgiving-themed crafts. Ages 4-12 *Nature Center*

NOV 29 FRI 12–4PM

LIVING ON THE EDGE

Join a naturalist for a walk to explore the world where forest and field meet. All Ages *Nature Center*

NOV 30 SAT 11AM–12PM