

BLENDON WOODS

SEPTEMBER

MONARCH DAYS

Join us for a celebration of butterflies! We will have games, crafts, activities and even a puppet show! All Ages *Nature Center*

SEP 1 SUN 10AM–2PM

MONARCH MONDAY

Learn about monarch butterflies and the epic journey they make. All Ages *Nature Center*

SEP 2 MON 2–3PM

TODDLERS IN NATURE: LITTLE OWL'S NIGHT

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INSECT SONGS

Listen and learn about the singing insects. All Ages *Blendon Woods Group Shelter*

SEP 7 SAT 8–9PM

BIRD BEAK BONANZA

Discover the many sizes, shapes and uses of birds' beaks with a hands-on activity and live birds. All Ages *Nature Center*

SEP 8 SUN 2–3PM

MONARCH MIGRATION MANIA

It's peak migration season! Participate in citizen science as we tag and release butterflies for their journey from Ohio to Mexico. All Ages *Nature Center*

SEP 14 SAT 2PM

NATURE JOURNALING

Drop in to the Nature Center and make your own journal to carry with you on your nature hikes! All Ages *Nature Center*

SEP 14 SAT 3–5PM

PAWPAW-PALOOZA

Travel 1.5 miles on the trails and find our state wild fruit All Ages *Nature Center*

SEP 15 SUN 2–3PM

MORNING BIRDS

Explore the woodland trails as we walk 2 miles to find the migrating Warblers. All Ages *Nature Center*

SEP 21 SAT 8–9AM

HOMESCHOOLERS: WE ALL LIVE DOWNSTREAM

Learn about ways people can cooperate to keep our waterways clean. Ages 6-12 *Nature Center*

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SEP 25 WED 1–2PM

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SEP 26 THU 11AM–12PM

HIKE ALL THE TRAILS

Hike approximately 6 miles for National Family Health and Fitness Day! Ages 18-99 *Nature Center*

SEP 28 SAT 9AM–12:30PM

TREE ID

Learn to identify the different trees in the park. All Ages *Nature Center*

SEP 29 SUN 10–11AM

OCTOBER

JUST FOR KIDS: PUPPET SHOW

Join the Blendon Woods Adventure puppets on their next escapade. Ages 2-9 *Nature Center*

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FIRST FRIDAY STORYTIME

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OCT 4 FRI 10–11AM

CUB SCOUTS WEBELOS: INTO THE WOODS

Webelos (4th and 5th grade) will participate in activities that meet requirements for the Into The Woods pin. *Advance registration*

OCT 5 SAT 2–3PM 40221800

MORNING BIRDS

Walk 2 miles on the trails and search for the migrating birds. All Ages *Nature Center*

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WALK THE CREEK

Enjoy a walk through the woodland creek All Ages *Nature Center*

OCT 12 SAT 2–4PM

PHOTO PROWL

Enjoy and photograph the beautiful fall colors Ages 18-99 *Nature Center*

OCT 13 SUN 9–10AM

FIREMAKING

Learn different ways to make a fire, including flint and steel. All Ages *Nature Center*

OCT 13 SUN 2–3PM

FUNGI FRENZY

Search for some common mushrooms at the Blendon Ravines property. Meet at 5280 Cambria Way. Park along the street. All Ages *Blendon Ravines*

OCT 20 SUN 2–3PM

PRESCHOOL: FALL TRAM

Hop on the tram for a tour of the park; see if you can solve our Fall nature center search.

Ages 3-5 *Nature Center*

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ADULTS ONLY: EVENING TRAM

See what wildlife wakes as the sun is setting on this evening tram ride Ages 18-99 *Nature Center*

OCT 25 FRI 6:30–7:30PM

FALL FUN TRAM RIDES

Admire the autumn colors on a tram ride and have some fall fun. Follow signs to location. All Ages *Nature Center*

OCT 26 SAT 1–4PM

HOMESCHOOLERS: BIRD BEAK BUFFET

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OCT 30 WED 1–2PM

HALLOWEEN LANTERN HIKE

Are you brave enough to join us on All Hallows Eve for a lantern-lit stroll through the woods? All Ages *Nature Center*

OCT 31 THU 7–8PM

TODDLERS IN NATURE: THE UGLY PUMPKIN

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NOVEMBER

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NOV 1 FRI 10–11AM

HIKE AROUND THE LAKE

Enjoy a special opportunity to explore the meadows behind Thoreau Lake on this 2 mile off-trail hike. All Ages *Nature Center*

NOV 2 SAT 2–3PM

MORNING BIRDS

Visit Thoreau Lake and see the wintering waterfowl. All Ages *Nature Center*

NOV 3 SUN 9–10AM

NATIVE AMERICAN SOUP

Learn about some ingredients Native Americans may have used in food preparation and taste a delicious hot soup on a fall day. All Ages *Nature Center*

NOV 9 SAT 2–3PM

NATURE PRINT CONTEST

View entries and winners from the 2019

Nature Photo Contest showcasing plants, animals, and scenery from Metro Parks and Ohio. Plus, cast your vote for the People's Choice Award.

Information on registration and contest rules can be found at <https://goo.gl/ic6Drx>.

Nature Center

NOV 9-10 SAT-SUN 10AM–4PM

WOODPECKER WONDERS

Search for woodpeckers on a 1.5-mile off-trail hike through the Blendon Ravines property. Meet at 5280 Cambria Way; Park along the street. All Ages *Blendon Ravines*

NOV 10 SUN 2–3PM

PROJECT FEEDERWATCH

Drop by the Nature Center to count birds at our feeder window and help collect data for this important citizen science project. All Ages *Nature Center*

NOV 15-16 FRI, SAT 9AM–3PM

GEOCACHE EXTRAVAGANZA

Use a GPS unit to find hidden caches off trail in the Sugarbush Daycamp area. Follow signs in park. All Ages *Nature Center*

NOV 16 SAT 2–3PM

AUTUMN ADVENTURES AT THE NATURAL PLAY AREA

Stop by the Natural Play Area and take part in fall-themed outdoor activities! All Ages *Blendon Woods Natural Play Area Shelter*

NOV 17 SUN 2–4PM

PRESCHOOL: TURKEY PARTY!

Drop in to the Nature Center for crafts, games and a gobbling-good time! Ages 3-7 *Nature Center*

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BUCKEYE TRAIL-GATE PARTY!

Prep for the big game with a 1.5-mile nature hike; stay afterwards to enjoy a hot dog over the fire and yard games! All Ages *Nature Center*

NOV 23 SAT 10AM–12PM

DUCK ID HIKE

Learn about the Waterfowl visiting Thoreau Lake! All Ages *Nature Center*

NOV 23 SAT 2–3PM

TURKEY TALK

Learn about these Thanksgiving icons and take a short hike to spot some. All Ages *Nature Center*

NOV 26 TUE 2–3PM

TURKEY TROT!

Join the Naturalist for a 2-mile morning run before your Thanksgiving feast! All Ages *Nature Center*

NOV 28 THU 8:30–9:30AM

ADULTS ONLY: TURKEY TALK-N-WALK

While searching for Turkeys on a 2 mile hike, learn about their life history. Ages 18-99 *Nature Center*

NOV 29 FRI 10–11AM

FAMILY TURKEY TALK

Learn about these thanksgiving icons and take a 1.5 mile hike to spot some. All Ages *Nature Center*

NOV 30 SAT 2–3PM