



Licking Park District Program Guide

March
2023



Night Hike: American Woodcock

When: Wednesday, Mar 8 @ 6 PM - 7 PM

Where: TR-S

For ages 5+. This month we will be searching for signs of the American Woodcock. These odd and delightful birds put on a spring aerial display in the meadows of Taft Reserve. Come learn the reasons behind their behaviors and observe for yourself these amazing “shorebirds of the forest.” We will gather in the parking lot and hike to the top of the hill and around to observe nature at night. Free.

Wild Storytime

When: Thursday, Mar 9 @ 10 AM - 11 AM

Where: James Bradley Center, IMP

For ages 3-6 and their adults! Join us at the James Bradley Center for a story, snack, and activity! Weather permitting we may venture outdoors to explore! The program lasts about an hour. Free.

Backyard Conservation: Bluebirds and DIY Nestboxes

When: Saturday, Mar 11 @ 1 PM - 3 PM

Where: James Bradley Center, IMP

Fee: \$20 per nestbox

All ages. The bluebirds at Infirmiry Mound Park have been very apparent the last few weeks. Do you have bluebirds? Do you want to attract bluebirds? If you answered yes to either of these questions this may be the program for you! We will explore all things bluebirds; their life history, conservation status, how to attract and monitor them on your property. We will also cover some of the other bird species that use nestboxes. The program will end with putting together DIY bluebird houses. Registration required by March 9.



Homeschool Happenings: Habitats

When: Wednesday, Mar 15 @ 10 AM - Noon

Where: Shelter 5, IMP

For ages 7- 12. Explore nature with us! We will get outside to explore some of the habitats at Infirmiry Mound Park! The class will feature games, crafts, and outdoor exploration. This program will be mainly outdoors, so dress for the weather! This is intended as a drop off program. Meet at Shelter 5. (In case of bad weather we will meet at the James Bradley Center). Registration required by March 13. Free.

Paint the Parks

When: Thursday, Mar 16 @ 6 PM - 8:30 PM

Where: James Bradley Center, IMP

Fee: \$20

Ages 16+. Join us at the James Bradley Center at Infirmiry Mound Park for a Paint the Parks class. The instructor will lead you step by step through the painting while learning actual art techniques. You will be encouraged to make the painting your own! Minors must be accompanied by adult. Supplies and snacks provided. BYOB/W Payment information will be emailed after sign up. Registration required by March 15.



Location Key

IMP - Infirmiry Mound Park, 4351 Lancaster Rd, Granville

TR-S - Taft Reserve - South, 10383 Fairview Rd SE, Newark

BC Park - Bicentennial Park, 2385 Raccoon Valley Rd, Granville





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Eagle Stroll - Granville Bike Path

When: Thursday, Mar 23 @ 9:30 AM - 11AM

Where: BC Park

All ages. Get outside with us as we enjoy a fun and low pressure bird watching stroll on the bike trail on the way to the Granville bald eagle nest. This hike will provide you with some of the basic techniques you need to become comfortable with spotting and identifying birds. We will also discuss Ohio's bald eagle conservation success story. We will have our spotting scopes to share.

We will hike in together, but participants can head back to the parking area independently! Outdoor clothing, good walking shoes/boots and binoculars are recommended. Program is weather dependent. Free.



Crafts with Recycling: Wine Bottle Tiki Torch

When: Thursday, Mar 30 @ 6 PM - 7PM

Where: James Bradley Center, IMP



Ages 16+. Join Licking County Recycling to make a tabletop "tiki" torch out of an old wine bottle. All supplies needed will be provided. Spots are limited to 12 people, and registration is required by March 13. Free.

2023 SAVE THE DATES!

Wildflower Fairy Trail Opens - Apr 29

Fairy Trail Party - May 14

Outdoor Adventures - Jun 3

Pace at the Parks - Jul 8

IMP Bioblitz - Jul 22

**Hartford Fair Natural Resources Area -
week of Aug 7**

Licking County River Round Up - Sept 9

Harvest Moon Festival - Oct 7

Fun Fact!

Red-winged blackbirds are our true harbingers of spring, not the robin!



Did You Know?

March is National Nutrition Month! When you are out for a hike, ditch the candy bar and try a healthy snack instead. Consider eating dried or fresh fruit, granola, veggies, jerky, or nuts and seeds. To learn more about how to properly fuel your body, visit eatright.org.



The birth flower of March is the daffodil. Daffodils are synonymous with spring and new beginnings. The gifting of the daffodil is said to be one of the purest forms of love.

