

Lake Hope State Park

Special Events & Nature Programs

All programs are subject to change. Notify the naturalist if special accommodations are needed for your participation. Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times; NO EXCEPTIONS.

February/March 2016

Meet at the Nature Center unless otherwise noted.

- Thu. Feb 4** **Raccoon Creek Partnership Annual Owl Prowl, 5pm.** Learn about owls and owl pellet dissection, and go on a short hike in search of owls. Meet at the Lake Hope Dining Lodge. Hot cocoa courtesy of Snowville Creamery. Dress appropriate for the weather. No pets.
- Sat. Feb 6** **Winter Nature Hike, 11am.** Meet at the Peninsula Trailhead (on the lodge road) for a brisk 3-mile hike on the Peninsula Loop Trail, and check out the wonders of nature in winter. Hiking footwear and weather-appropriate clothing recommended.
- Sat. Feb 13** **Amorous Animals, 2pm.** Learn about the curious courtship rituals and magnificent mating habits of some of Ohio's native critters while enjoying coffee and snacks. Adult- and science-oriented content.
- Sun. Feb 14** **Valentine's Day Hike, 10am.** Meet at the Peninsula Trailhead for a brisk 3-mile hike. Hiking footwear and weather appropriate clothing recommended.
- Fri. Feb 26** **Watching Wildlife, 9am-1pm.** Dust off your camera for birds and other wildlife at the Nature Center feeders. A great opportunity to photograph and observe the habits of some of our wild residents. Coffee and snacks. Call for more information: 740-596-3030.
- Sat. Mar 5** **Timberdoodle Watch, 6pm.** We'll caravan to some hotspots in search of the elusive American Woodcock, and (hopefully) witness the mating ritual of this neat woodland bird. If cancelled due to weather, or is unproductive, it will be rescheduled for March 12 at 6pm.
- Sat. Mar 12** **Naturalist's Choice, 2pm.** Stop by the lobby of the Lake Hope Dining Lodge and visit with the naturalist, learn about some curious critters, fascinating fossils, or peculiar plants.
- Sat. Mar 26** **Annual Lake Hope Easter Egg Hunt, 1-3pm.** Sponsored by the Friends of Lake Hope.

Want to stay informed about Salamander Migration?

Every spring some of Ohio's most fascinating frogs and salamanders emerge at night from their burrows to mate. Conditions have to be perfect for these creatures to emerge, so it is not possible to predict the day or days.

If you would like to see these creatures in action, we can add you to a contact list and let you know it is happening.

Call or email by March 12 and we'll add you to the list.

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