

Holidays at Hambley

Saturdays: December 16 and 23

Sunday, December 17

Susan Hambley Nature Center - 12 to 5 p.m.

Stop by the nature center this holiday season to see it transformed with festive decorations. Enjoy holiday crafts and activities during your visit. All ages are welcome. No registration required. Free.



Pinterest Projects: "For the Birds" Wall Art

Sunday, January 7 - Wolf Creek Environmental Center
 2 to 4 p.m.



Create a beautiful piece of nature-themed wall art for your home using wallpaper samples and scraps. We will complete one project that will fit in an 8" x 10" frame or mat. All supplies will be provided. Ages 16 to adult. Register by January 6. Free.

Creative Concoctions for Preschoolers

Tuesday, January 9 - Wolf Creek Environmental Center
 10 to 11 a.m. or 1 to 2 p.m.

Our younger park friends are invited to create mysterious mixtures and make marvelous messes in this fun, hands-on discovery program. Come experiment with combinations of ordinary ingredients to create something fun. All supplies are provided; come dressed for mess! Ages 3 to 6. Register between December 11 and January 8. Free.

Homeschoolers Outdoor Education:

Woo-Hoo for Woodpeckers

Tuesday, January 9 - Wolf Creek Environmental Center
 10 to 11:30 a.m. or 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Don't miss this chance to learn about woodpeckers through a variety of games and activities. We'll take a hike to look for some of these fascinating birds so be sure to dress for the weather! Ages 7 to 12. Registration is open until the program is filled. Free for Medina County residents. There is a \$3 fee for non-county participants.

Nature Through the Seasons

Wednesday, January 10 - Susan Hambley Nature Center
 10 to 11 a.m.

The Nature Through the Seasons series consists of easy walks that explore our different parks while observing the unfolding of nature throughout the seasons. These hikes also count toward the Natural Discoveries program, an award-based hiking series. Visit the park district website for details about the program. Ages 7 to adult. No registration required. Free.

K-9 Kapers

Saturday, January 13 - Carolyn Ludwig Mugrage Park - 10 to 11 a.m.

K-9 Kapers provides dog owners with an opportunity to socialize their pets with other dogs. These alternative hikes will interest both the dog and its owner while offering exercise and fun. All dogs must have an accompanying adult and eight-foot leash (non-retractable). Participants must maintain control of their dogs at all times. We recommend bringing a towel for muddy feet and a water bowl. Meet near the dog park. All ages welcome. No registration required. Free.



Winter Re-Tweet

Saturday, January 13 and Sunday, January 14
 Susan Hambley Nature Center - 12 to 5 p.m.

What kinds of birds visit our feeders during the wintertime? What types of bird feeders and birdseed work the best? We'll answer these questions and more as we watch and enjoy these beautiful creatures visiting our bird feeding area. There will be bird crafts, games, and displays. All ages are welcome. No registration required. Free.

Preschoolers in the Garden:

Let's Learn About Ohio's Native Plants!

Tuesday, January 16 - Krabill Shelter - 10 to 11:30 a.m.

What's growing in your backyard? Is it native to Ohio? Join OSU Master Gardeners to learn about some of Ohio's top native plants. We will research our state's most common green things and engage in age-appropriate activities. For ages 3-6 with an adult companion. Some or the entire program may be held outdoors so please dress accordingly. Register by January 15. There is a \$5 program fee.

Tales for Tots

Thursday, January 18 or Friday, January 19

Wolf Creek Environmental Center

10 to 11 a.m. or 1 to 2 p.m.

Who carries a rack on his head and a flag on his back end? Find out about this mysterious and marvelous creature through a story, craft, and hands-on discovery. For ages 3-6 with an adult companion. Some or all of the program will be held outdoors; please dress accordingly. Register between December 14 and January 17. Free.

Chickadees

Saturday, January 20 - Wolf Creek Environmental Center
 2 to 3 p.m.

Although black-capped chickadees weigh less than half an ounce, these tiny birds survive Ohio winters as well as harsher, more northern winters. Listen to a presentation about how they manage winter, then take a short hike to look for these birds in their natural habitat, and observe them feeding at our bird feeders. All ages are welcome. No registration required. Free.

Register for programs at medinacountyparks.com.

Putt-ing through the Ages



Holiday Break Week

December 27-31 from 12 to 7 p.m.

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Open Weekends from

January 5 to February 25

Fridays 12 to 4 p.m.

Saturdays 12 to 7 p.m.

Sundays 12 to 4 p.m.

Buffalo Creek Retreat
 8708 Hubbard Valley Road
 Seville, OH 44273

The ever-popular *Putt-ing through the Ages* returns to Medina County Park District this winter! On this indoor mini-golf adventure through Ohio's geologic history, you will discover the depths of the ancient ocean, wind your way through swamp forests, encounter massive ancient creatures, traverse a glacier, and acquaint yourself with Ohio's prehistoric people. You won't want to miss this unique, family-friendly, FREE experience!

Tales for Tots

Thursday, December 14 or Friday, December 15

Wolf Creek Environmental Center

10 to 11 a.m. or 1 to 2 p.m.

Pine cones come in many different shapes and sizes, but where do they come from, and what are they for? Learn the answers to these questions and more through a story and hands-on examination. Come prepared to take a hike to our pine forest if weather permits (this is a longer hike than usual). For ages 3-6 with an adult companion. Some or all of the program will be held outdoors; please dress accordingly. Register between November 16 and December 14. Free.

Natural Discoveries Hiking Series:

Surviving Winter

Sunday, December 17 - Carolyn Ludwig Mugrage Park
 3 to 4 p.m.

Natural Discoveries is a series of free nature-themed programs designed for ages seven to adult. Participants in the program who complete certain hike requirements are eligible to receive awards. See the Natural Discoveries link on our website for award details. The cold temperatures and scarcity of food in winter can be challenging for plants and animals. Find out different strategies in nature for surviving the winter. Discover who stays active and who hibernates. Ages 7 to adult. No registration required. Free.

Putt-ing through the Ages (Holiday Break Week)

Wednesday, December 27 through Sunday, December 31

Buffalo Creek Retreat - 12 to 7 p.m.

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glacier, and acquaint yourself with Ohio's prehistoric people. You won't want to miss this unique, family-friendly, FREE experience! All ages are welcome.

Hiking for the Health of It

Saturday, January 6 - Carolyn Ludwig Mugrage Park
 9 to 11 a.m.

This is a hiking club for those adults who can hike four-to-five miles at a brisk pace. Walking trails can be mildly strenuous with a limited amount being off trail. Please dress for the weather, and be sure to have appropriate footwear. Ages 10 to adult. No registration required. Free.

