

February 2023 Park Programs

Venture Parks Education Team



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The Venture Park Naturalist Team is stationed throughout the parks to provide learning opportunities for our guests. Naturalists are people who love the outdoors & are passionate about discovering, exploring & sharing the joys of nature with you. It is our goal to inspire appreciation & knowledge of natural & cultural resources while promoting greater understanding, support for & participation in conservation & outdoor recreation.

**** Programs are subject to cancellation due to inclement weather or other unforeseen circumstances. Youth must be accompanied by an adult. Please dress appropriately for the activity & the weather. Programs are free unless a fee is noted.*



E.T. Mahoney State Park

Birds and Binoculars

Saturday, February 4th, 10 am to noon

Bird lovers of all ages are invited to gather at the park's administration office for a variety of bird activities in preparation for the Audubon Society's Great Backyard Bird Count. Learn beginner birding skills, identify birds at our feeders or on a hike, complete a birding craft and learn about different kinds of home-made bird feeders.

Platte River State Park

Nature Center

Saturdays, 9 am to 4 pm

The Nature Center is located below Mallet Lodge near the Wooden Tower & features a classic nature-nook feel. There are hands-on activities to explore and naturalists who are excited to share their knowledge of the outdoors with guests. Stop in to make a critter Valentine or to fall in love with one of our snakes, turtles or fish that we have on display.

Schramm Education Center

Open 10:00-5:00pm Daily *Call ahead for modified holiday hours.
Admission: \$10 Adults, \$7 Seniors & Ages 4-12, 3 & Under are free

Animal Feedings

Daily in February at 10:30 am

Observe an animal feeding and learn about how our animal care and their unique adaptations. This program is free with paid admission and will meet in the lobby.

Pack Tactics

Sunday, February 5th, 1 pm to 2 pm

Explore interactions between animals that hunt and animals that are hunted. Some animals form groups that help members survive and engage in pack tactics. Free program. Meet in the education center classroom.

Fly-Tying Workshop

Saturday, February 18th, 10 am to 2 pm

Join the Cornhusker Fly Fishers for a "Tie-in" and observe them as they demonstrate their craft and then try your hand at making a fly to take home.

Forest Findings

Sunday, February 26th, 1 pm to 2:30 pm

Explore the geological outcrop and park trails as we delve into the everchanging landscape of our park. Ask questions, discover history and learn about the science of ecological succession. This program meets at the Hatch House at Schramm Park State Recreation Area.

Visit outdoornebraska.gov for the Nebraska Game and Parks Agency Outdoor Calendar and find links to our fliers by park.