

Nature Based Programs

April 13th April 28th 2025

Be sure to visit the newly constructed Nature Center! There you will find the Park Naturalist year-round providing interpretive, educational, and recreational programs on a variety of native wildlife, park history, and other exciting topics. All programs will be held inside the Nature Center unless otherwise specified.

Sunday, April 13th

Nature Center Hours 12:00pm - 4:00pm

- **10:00am** Falls Trail Guided Hike Meet the Summer Naturalist at the "Falls Trail" parking lot for this guided hike. As we hike to the Twin Falls Resort State Park's namesakes Blackfork Falls & Foley Falls we will discuss and examine pioneer history, plants & animals, and so much more along the way!
- 1:00pm Nature Walk Meet the Summer Naturalist at the Twin Oaks Trail head parking for this short 0.25 mile stroll as we explore the nature at Twin Falls in springtime. This trail features a vernal pool and many interesting species of plants.
- **1:00pm Wood Frog TALK** Come to the Nature Center as we discuss this amazing species of frog. We will discuss and examine many topics such as identification, unique adaptions, and so much more!
- 2:30pm <u>Flower Portraits</u> Come to the Nature Center to get your canvas and paints then head to the courtyard to find a flower and paint it. As we paint, we will discuss the benefits and important of painting and drawing nature.
- **3:00pm Diana Fritillary Butterfly** Meet the Summer Naturalist at the "HorsePin Knob" Trail head parking lot for this program. As we hike this trail through varying forest types and wildflower fields we will explore this unique and threatened species natural habitat. As Springtime rolls in we should start seeing activity of the Fritillaries.
- **4:30pm** <u>Lodge Tour</u> Meet the Summer Naturalist at the Lodge Lobby to start this guided tour through the unique Twin Falls Resort State Park. We will discuss the life of Walter Gropius, the architect who constructed the Lodge and the unique feature around the Lodge.



Monday, April 14th

Nature Center Hours

1:00pm - 4:00pm

Come to the Nature Center to see the craft or activity of the day!

Tuesday, April 15th

Nature Center Hours

12:00pm - 4:00pm

12:00pm – **Leaf & Seed Game** Come to the Nature Center to play this leaf and seed matching game. There are many ways to play so reset and keep testing your identification and memorization skills!

2:00pm – <u>Songbirds!</u> Come to the Nature Center for this program on Songbirds of the Eastern United States and the species found around Twin Falls Resort State Park. After the program stay and color different types of songbirds!

Wednesday, April 16th

Nature Center Hours

10:00am - 4:00pm

1:00pm – <u>TREES!</u> Meet at the Nature Center for a short stroll around the lodge as we discuss some iconic trees of Twin Falls Resort State Park.

2:00pm – <u>Tree Cookie Craft</u> Come to the Nature for this craft as we discuss threats trees face and how to sustainably harvest and use wood.



Thursday, April 17th

Nature Center Hours

10:00am - 4:00pm

- **1:00pm Spring Flowers Stroll** Meet the Park Naturalist at the "Twin Oaks Trail" parking lot for this program on native wildflowers found around Twin Falls Resort State Park. We will discuss many iconic species, conservation, and so much more!
- **2:00pm** <u>Flower Preserving Craft</u> Meet at the "Amphitheater" parking lot to get your materials and gather some flower to make your personal flower bouquet to take back home. After the program the Summer Naturalist will take your bouquets to preserve them and you will be able to pick them up from 3:00pm-4:00pm following the program at the Nature Center.
- **5:15pm** <u>HEMLOCK TREES</u> Meet the Summer Naturalist at the "Twin Oaks Trail" parking lot for this guided program as we examine and discuss this amazing species of tree! We will cover topics like how to identify, significances, invasive species, conservation, and so much more!

Friday, April 18th

Nature Center Hours

11:00am - 5:00pm

- 11:00am Moonshiner Trail Guided Hike Meet the Summer Naturalist at the "Moonshiners Trail" parking lot for this guided hike. As we hike along this trail we will discuss moonshining history while examining the local flora and fauna.
- **12:00pm** <u>WILD TURKEY</u> Come to the Nature Center for this program on North America's largest ground-bird! We will discuss many topics such as identification, biological understanding, seasonal behaviors, and so much more.
- **2:00pm** <u>Flower Portraits</u> Come to the Nature Center to get your canvas and paints then head to the courtyard to find a flower and paint it. As we paint, we will discuss the benefits and important of painting and drawing nature.
- **3:30pm** <u>MUSHROOMS</u> Come to Nature Center for this program on how to find and identify some iconic species of fungi as well as how to avoid dangerous fungi
- **5:15pm** <u>Huckleberry Trail Guided Hike</u> Meet the Summer Naturalist at the "Scout Field" Parking lot for this guided hike. As we hike along this trail around the Pioneer Farm we will examine and discuss early pioneers and the remnants they left behind.



Saturday, April 19th

Nature Center Hours CLOSED FOR EASTER EGG HUNT

1:00pm – 5:00pm <u>Easter Fun Day</u> Come and join the festivities at the Ball Field as we celebrate Easter with an Egg Hunt and Egg Toss. There will also be Egg Coloring, Races, bouncy houses, climbing walls, food trucks, DJ, and so much more! (\$5.00 per kid for entry to event) (EGG HUNT start at 1:00pm sharp)

Sunday, April 20th

Nature Center Hours

12:00pm - 4:00pm

1:00pm – <u>Falls Trail Guided Hike</u> Meet the Summer Naturalist at the "Falls Trail" parking lot for this guided hike. As we hike to the Twin Falls Resort State Park's namesakes Blackfork Falls & Foley Falls we will discuss and examine pioneer history, plants & animals, and so much more along the way!

12:00pm – **Box Turtle TALK** Come to the Nature Center as we discuss many crucial topics in understanding this special species. We will cover identification, habitat and range, conservation, and so much more!

2:00pm – <u>TREES</u> Meet at the Nature Center for a short stroll around the lodge as we discuss some iconic trees of Twin Falls Resort State

3:00pm – <u>Tree Cookie Craft</u> Come to the Nature for this craft as we discuss threats trees face and how to sustainably harvest and use wood.

Monday, April 21st

Nature Center Hours

11:00am - 2:00pm

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Tuesday, April 22nd



Nature Center Hours

11:00am - 4:00pm

12:00pm – <u>Leaf & Seed Game</u> Come to the Nature Center to play this leaf and seed matching game. There are many ways to play so reset and keep testing your identification and memorization skills!

1:30pm – <u>Songbirds!</u> Come to the Nature Center for this program on Songbirds of the Eastern United States and the species found around Twin Falls Resort State Park. After the program stay and color different types of songbirds!

Wednesday, April 23rd

Nature Center Hours

11:00am - 4:00pm

1:00pm – <u>Woodpeckers</u> Come to the Nature Center for this program on woodpeckers! We will cover topics such as native species, unique biology, and the species found here at Twin Falls Resort State Park

2:00pm – **Spring Flowers** Come to the Nature Center for this program on native wildflowers found around Twin Falls Resort State Park. We will discuss many iconic species, conservation, and so much more!

Thursday, April 24th

Nature Center Hours

11:00am - 4:00pm

12:00pm – **Leaf & Seed Game** Come to the Nature Center to play this leaf and seed matching game. There are many ways to play so reset and keep testing your identification and memorization skills!

2:00pm – <u>MUSHROOMS</u> Come to Nature Center for this program on how to find and identify some iconic species of fungi as well as how to avoid dangerous fungi.

3:00pm – <u>Cliffside Trail Guided Hike</u> Meet the Summer Naturalist at the "Cliffside Trail" parking lot for this guided hike. As we hike to the cliffs we will examine and discuss park history, local flora and fauna, and some unique habitats along the way such as Black Vultures!

Friday, April 25th



Nature Center Hours 12:00pm – 4:00pm

1:00pm – <u>Songbirds!</u> Come to the Nature Center for this program on Songbirds of the Eastern United States and the species found around Twin Falls Resort State Park. After the program stay and color different types of songbirds!

2:30pm – **Spring Flowers** Come to the Nature Center for this program on native wildflowers found around Twin Falls Resort State Park. We will discuss many iconic species, conservation, and so much more!

Saturday, April 26th

Nature Center Hours
CLOSED FOR
GIRLS WEEKEND

Sunday, April 27th

Nature Center Hours 12:00pm - 5:00pm

- 11:00am <u>Diana Fritillary Butterfly</u> Meet the Summer Naturalist at the "HorsePin Knob" Trail head parking lot for this program. As we hike this 2.5 mile trail through varying forest types and wildflower fields we will explore this unique and threatened species natural habitat. As Springtime rolls in we should start seeing activity of the Fritillaries.
- **12:00pm** <u>FROGS</u> Come to the Nature Center for this discussion on native frogs & toads. Do you know the difference between a frog & toad? We will cover identification, biology, and so much more!
- **2:00pm Spring Flowers** Come to the Nature Center for this program on native wildflowers found around Twin Falls Resort State Park. We will discuss many iconic species, conservation, and so much more!
- **3:00pm** <u>Flower Preserving Craft</u> Meet at the "Amphitheater" parking lot to get your materials and gather some flower to make your personal flower bouquet to take back home. After the program the Summer Naturalist will take your bouquets to preserve them and you will be able to pick them up from 3:00pm-4:00pm following the program at the Nature Center.
- **3:30pm** <u>WV SNAKES</u> Come to the Nature Center for this Program about our slithery friends. WE will discuss many topics such as identification of species, venomous & non-venomous, how to avoid negative interactions, and so much more!
- **4:15pm HEMLOCK TREES** Meet the Summer Naturalist at the "Twin Oaks Trail" parking lot for this guided program as we examine and discuss this amazing species of tree! We will cover topics like how to identify, significances, invasive species, conservation, and so much more!



Monday, April 28th

Nature Center Hours

11:00am - 2:00pm

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