



**Note from the Park Naturalist: Hello and welcome! We're so glad you've chosen Twin Falls Resort State Park as your destination. Be sure to visit our Nature Center, where the wild meets wonder. Whether you're here to explore our winding trails, discover native wildlife, or just soak in the peace of the natural world, you've come to the right place. Here, nature isn't just something to observe, it's something to experience. Listen for birdsongs in the treetops, watch for turtles sunning by the pond, and breathe in the fresh scent of earth and green things growing. Every visit holds something new, from seasonal blooms to migrating wildlife. My team is here to help you connect with the landscape, answer your questions, and share in the joy of discovery. Check out our upcoming programs and guided hikes below, there is something for all ages and interests.**

**Friday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Nature Center Hours – 12:00pm. – 5:00pm.**

**12:00pm. – 5:00pm. “Self-Guided Scavenger Hunt”** – Stop by the Nature Center during business hours to pick up this self-guided scavenger hunt. Once you have found all of your items, return to the nature center before 5:00pm for a small prize.

**12:00pm. “Introduction to Native Ferns”** – Meet Caleb West, our Seasonal Naturalist at the Twin Oaks Trail for this easy paved loop trail as you pass by vernal pools and varying forest types allowing you to view several species of native ferns. Caleb will discuss identification, ecology and much more on this walk. The loop trail is 0.5 miles.

**2:00pm. “The Buzz About Cicadas”** – Meet at the Amphitheater parking lot for this program presented by Summer Naturalist David “Bugs” Stover. As he will discuss the various broods and their behaviors as well as what to expect from this year's emergence.

**4:00pm. – “Ask a Naturalist”** – Caleb West our Seasonal Naturalist will be stationed near the front desk to help answer any park related questions you may have.

**7:30pm. “Wetland Symphony”** – Meet at the Poke Hollow Trail Head for this program presented by Caleb West our Seasonal Naturalist, bring a chair and maybe a blanket as temperatures tend to cool off this time of evening. Guests will sit beside one of twelve unique head water wetlands in West Virginia, “The Poke Hollow Wetland”. As you sit and listen to the evening chorus frogs, we will discuss topics such as wetland animals and the importance of the Pole Hollow Wetland.

**Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>.**

**Nature Center Hours – 12:00pm. – 5:00pm.**

**11:00am. – “Falls Trail Guided Hike”** – Meet at the Falls Trail parking lot. Caleb West, our Seasonal Naturalist will be leading this informative hike along the Falls Trail. Caleb will discuss the local flora and fauna of this area, you will pass by the two water falls that is the namesake of “Twin” Falls. This trail is paved to the first falls then becomes very rocky and is 1.25 miles. And is a loop trail.

**2:00pm. – “Introduction to Salamanders”** – Head to the Nature Center for this program presented by Seasonal Naturalist Caleb West. Discussion will consist of identification of species, unique biology and adaptations.

**3:00pm. – “Introduction to West Virginia Wildflowers”** – Meet outside of the Nature Center in the breezeway as Caleb will discuss native wildflowers and the importance they have in our ecosystem. Craft to follow program. (FREE)

**4:00pm. – “Ask a Naturalist”** – Caleb West our Seasonal Naturalist will be stationed near the front desk to help answer any park related questions you may have.

**4:30pm. “Lodge Tour”** – Meet David “Bugs” Stover at the front entrance of the lodge for this informative talk about the history of the lodge, how and who designed the structure, and tour the original lodge before the expansion. This walk consists of walking up and down steps and grades.

**7:00pm. – 9:00pm. – “Campfire and Ghost Stories”** – Summer Naturalist David “Bugs” Stover presents an evening filled with local history and spine-chilling stories of unexplained events and encounters from here on the



park. Meet at the campfire beside the contact center in the campground.

**Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Nature Center Hours – 12:00pm. – 5:00pm.**

**11:00am. – “Cliffside Trail Guided Hike”** – This 3.5-mile loop trail begins with a gentle ridge top walk before getting steep as you descend to the cliff area. Topic to be discussed is the Old Growth Forest as you will be in very close proximity to ours, Twin Falls has 776 acres of OG which is pretty amazing.

**1:00pm. – “Introduction to Mammals”** - Meet at the Nature Center for this program on mammals that you may see while here at Twin Falls and throughout the state. We will examine identification, behaviors and so much more. Presented by Seasonal Naturalist Caleb West.

**2:00pm. “Pioneer Farm History”** – There is quite the story with the Pioneer Farm, meet at the farm parking area as “Bugs” will fill you in on the scoop.

**3:00pm. “Nature Journal Craft”** – Meet at the Nature Center for fun craft for all ages.

**Monday, June 9<sup>th</sup>.**

**Nature Center Hours – CLOSED**

**Tuesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>.**

**Nature Center Hours – CLOSED**

**Wednesday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Nature Center Hours – 9:00am. – 12:00pm.**

**Thursday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Nature Center Hours – 11:00am. – 4:00pm.**

**5:00pm. “Summit Trail Hike”** – Meet at the Splash Pad for this 1 mile guided hike.

**Friday June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Nature Center Hours – 8:00am. – 6:00pm.**

**(Father’s Day Weekend Begins)**

Be sure to stop by the Nature Center during regular business hours for a Scavenger Hunt with Dad list.

Make Dad a Father’s Day card at the Nature Center during regular business hours.

**7:00am. “Bird Songs with Dad” Shelter 4** – Waking up early with dew still on the grass and the sky just starting to

stretch into morning, there’s something special about birding with Dad. It is the quiet moments between the calls of warblers and woodpeckers those in-between spaces where stories are shared, jokes are cracked, and silence is comfortable.

**8:30am. – 6:00pm. “Father’s Day Card Craft” Nature Center** – This craft will be offered during operational hours.

**9:00am. “Tracking with Dad” Self-Guided Twin Oaks Trail** – Following animal tracks with Dad is like stepping into a story, one written in paw prints, broken twigs, and the hush of the woods. My Dad would kneel down beside a print in the mud, eyes sharp, grin wide, and say, “Coyote, maybe last night.” Just like that the forest came to life.

**11:00am. – 6:00pm. - “Indoor Rock Climbing” Climbing Gym** – Scale new heights with Dad (literally), chalk up those dad jokes, and see who can cling on longer before gravity reminds you who’s boss!” Fee is \$12.00 for the Day.

**11:00am. “Rewind with Dad” Pioneer Farm** – Taking this guided walk to the old Pioneer Farm will feel as though time has cracked open. The sound of the gravel moving underneath your feet, the smell of summer blooms and earth, it was a world built by calloused hands and early mornings. Imagine a time where chickens clucked freely, a blacksmith hammered away in rhythm and this log cabin stood sturdy with stories in every beam.

**1:00pm. – “Nature Journaling with Dad” Twin Oaks Trail** – Swap out the neckties for notebooks and head outdoors for a special bonding experience between dads and their little explorers. Observe birds, and trees together, sketch leaves, flowers, or furry friends you may see. All materials provided. No Art Skill Needed – just curiosity!

**3:00pm. – “Talk Turkey with Dad” Outside Patio of Nature Center** – This Father’s Day weekend, gobble up some quality time with dad in the great outdoors! Join us for a feathered family adventure all about the Eastern Wild Turkey, one of the most fascinating birds in the forest.

**Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Nature Center Hours – 8:00am. – 6:00pm.**

**11:00am. – 6:00pm. - “Indoor Rock Climbing” Climbing Gym** – Scale new heights with Dad (literally), chalk up those dad jokes, and see who can cling on longer



before gravity reminds you who's boss!" Fee is \$12.00 for the Day.

**"Ride into Father's Day! All-day, Self-Guided McGraw Trail"** – This Father's day weekend, ditch the ordinary and hit the trail for an unforgettable outdoor ride with Dad! Must provide your own bike.

**11:00am. – "Ties that Bind" Outside the Nature Center** – Strengthen your bond the old-school way, with hands on cordage crafting that connects generations-one twist at a time.

**2:00pm. – "Shelter Building Basics" Cliffside Trail Head** – Because nothing says "Father's Day Bonding" like arguing over which stick is 'structurally sound'. Build it, test it, maybe even nap in it-if it doesn't fall down first!

**5:00pm. – "Wade & Seek" Falls Trail Parking Lot** – Grab your boots as you and Dade wade into the wild! Hunt for minnows, frogs, and anything that wiggles-because nothing says quality time like yelling, 'I think it moved!'

**8:00pm. – "Ghost Stories after Dark" Campfire Circle** – When the embers glow low and the night breeze whispers, cozy up by the campfire for bone-chilling tales that'll have you jumping...and blaming every creak on the camp chair!

**Sunday June, 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

## **"HAPPY FATHER'S DAY"**

**Nature Center Hours – 1:00pm. – 6:00pm.**

**11:00am. – 6:00pm. – "Indoor Rock Climbing" Climbing Gym** – Scale new heights with Dad (literally), chalk up those dad jokes, and see who can cling on longer before gravity reminds you who's boss!" Fee is \$12.00 for the Day.

**"Father's Day Golf Special"** – Call our staff at (304) 294-4044 to schedule your tee times. We will be offering a VIP special rate for Father & Son or Daughter. \$27.56 per person this price includes an 18-hole green fee and cart and is only good for Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

**1:00pm. – "Cliffside Trail Trek" Cliffside Trail Parking Lot** – Hit the heights with Dad, conquer switchbacks and spectacular views, and remember: if you're not gasping for air, you're not doing it right!

**3:00pm. – "Talk Turkey with Dad" Outside Patio of Nature Center** – This Father's Day weekend, gobble up

some quality time with dad in the great outdoors! Join us for a feathered family adventure all about the Eastern Wild Turkey, one of the most fascinating birds in the forest.

**5:00pm. – "Nature Journaling with Dad" Twin Oaks Trail** – Swap out the neckties for notebooks and head outdoors for a special bonding experience between dads and their little explorers. Observe birds, and trees together, sketch leaves, flowers, or furry friends you may see. All materials provided. No Art Skill Needed – just curiosity!

**Monday June, 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Nature Center Closed**

**Tuesday June, 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Nature Center Closed**

**Wednesday June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Nature Center Hours – 9:00am. – 12:00pm.**

**Thursday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Nature Center Hours – 11:00am. – 4:00pm.**

**5:00pm. "Buckrun Trail Hike"** Join Bugs on this hike as you meander through diverse habitats along the way, it's a perfect way to emerge yourself in nature.

**Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Nature Center Hours 1:00pm. – 5:00pm.**

**10:00am. – "Horsepen Trail Guided Hike"** – Meet Bugs our Summer Seasonal at the Horsepen Trail Parking lot this trail is 2.5 Miles and has some steep inclines. See evidence of life before the park and learn the history of the area.

**1:00pm. – "Introduction to Native Woodpeckers"** – Head to the Nature Center for this educational program presented by Caleb West, our Seasonal Naturalist.

**2:00pm. – "WV Wild Turkeys"** – Meet the Naturalist underneath the breezeway outside of the Nature Center as we discuss the largest ground feeding bird in North America.

**Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025**

**Nature Center Hours – 1:00pm. – 3:00pm.**



**10:00am. “Huckleberry Trail Hike”** – Meet at the Scoutfield for this 1.3-mile hike. This trail traverses in and out of multiple habitats and skirts the Pioneer Farm.

**2:00pm. “Geology Rocks Hike the Geologist”** – Meet at the Falls Trail Parking Lot.

**7:00pm. “Geology Rocks”** Ken Ashton is the Geologist of the State of WV and will be located in the Dogwood room. This is a free event and open to the public.

**8:00pm. – 9:00pm. – “Campfire/Ghost Stories -** When the embers glow low and the night breeze whispers, cozy up by the campfire for bone-chilling tales that’ll have you jumping...and blaming every creak on the camp chair! Location: Campground beside contact center. After the campfire, stick around for a moth study.

**Sunday June 22<sup>nd</sup>.**  
**Nature Center Closed**

**Monday June 23<sup>rd</sup>.**  
**Nature Center Closed**

**Tuesday June 24<sup>th</sup>.**  
**Nature Center Closed**