



**Tygart Lake State Park Nature Center Activities
July 3 through July 16, 2025**

**Thursday, July 3
9:30AM – 4:30PM**

11AM: Turtle Talk! Come out and meet Ruby, our resident Painted Turtle, and hear all about why turtles are cool and important. Plus, a fun turtle craft! **(30 Mins) *YPP**

**Friday, July 4
10AM – 5:30PM**

3PM: Flint and Steel Fire lighting. This 'old school cool' technique uses flint and steel to spark a flame. Can you do it? Yes, you can! **(20 Mins) *YPP**

4:45-6PM: Meet a Naturalist. One of our park naturalist staff will be available at **the Lodge front desk area** to greet and answer questions. Come say hello!

**Saturday, July 5
10AM – 6PM**

11AM: Hike – The Ridge Trail. We will be walking the Ridge Trail to see what's out and growing. Hike is approximately 1.5 miles, with some hilly terrain. Wear good shoes! **(90 Mins) *YPP**

2PM: Tree Talk and Walk. A stroll around the Nature Center lawn area to talk about the trees found there, and their importance to us. **(30 Mins) *YPP**

8:50 PM: Outdoor Movie. Join us at the campfire area between the cabins and campground for a family-friendly animated film on the outdoor screen! **Weather Permitting. Approx. 90 mins.**

Sunday, July 6

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Noon – 4PM: Open Nature Center

Monday, July 7

9:30AM – 4:00PM: Open Nature Center

Tuesday, July 8

9:30AM – 4:30PM: Open Nature Center

11AM: Flint and Steel Fire lighting. This ‘old school cool’ technique uses flint and steel to spark a flame. Can you do it? Yes, you can! **(20 Mins) *YPP**

Wednesday, July 9

9:30AM – 4:30PM: Open Nature Center

1PM: Nature Journals. You can make your own simple nature journal to help record your thoughts and findings. **(20 Mins) *YPP**

1:30PM: Leaf Rubbings. With a simple craft, you can learn more about leaves by their size and shape. **(20 Mins) *YPP**

Thursday, July 10

9:30AM – 4:30PM: Open Nature Center

11AM: Turtle Talk! Come out and meet Ruby, our resident Painted Turtle, and hear all about why turtles are cool and important. Plus, a fun turtle craft! **(30 Mins) *YPP**

1PM: Nature Origami. This fun, traditional art style can be used to make different kinds of paper critters of your own. **(20 Mins) *YPP**

Friday, July 11

10AM – 6PM: Open Nature Center

4:30PM – 5:30PM: Meet a Naturalist. One of our park naturalist staff will be available at **the Lodge front desk area** to greet and answer questions. Come say hello!

9PM – 10:30PM: Moth Night! Join us as we welcome moth expert Tucker Cooley back to the park for a night of moth observation. We'll be set up at **the lawn area between the Nature Center and pavilion** to see what comes to the light!

Saturday, July 12

10AM – 6PM: Open Nature Center

11AM: Creek Crawl. We will take a short walk on the Lake Trail down to the creek area to see what can be carefully observed among the water and rocks. **(45 Mins) *YPP**

2PM: Owl Pellets – WHOOO was for dinner? What is an 'owl pellet', and what can be found inside them? Come and find out! **(30 Mins) *YPP**

3PM: Tree Talk and Walk. A stroll around the Nature Center lawn area to talk about the trees found there, and their importance to us. **(30 Mins) *YPP**

8:50 PM: Outdoor Movie. Join us at the campfire area between the cabins and campground for a family-friendly animated film on the outdoor screen! **Weather Permitting. Approx. 90 mins.**

Sunday, July 13

Noon – 4PM: Open Nature Center

1PM: Leave No Trace Scavenger Hunt. Can you use the nature clues to find all of what you need out there? Take only photos, leave only footprints! **(20 Mins) *YPP**

Monday, July 14

9:30AM – 4:00PM: Open Nature Center

Tuesday, July 15

9:30AM – 4:30PM: Open Nature Center

11AM: Skins and Skulls. You can learn a lot about the creatures of the forest by what they've left behind. All about some of our local, native wildlife with a chance to handle pelts and skulls. **(30 Mins) *YPP**

Wednesday, July 16

9:30AM – 4:30PM: Open Nature Center

11AM: Watercolor Wildflowers. Relax and paint with the watercolors with us. What's your favorite wildflower to paint? **(20 Mins) *YPP**