



NATURE CENTER EVENTS SCHEDULE 3/2 - 3/29

Winter Hours: Fridays through Sundays 8a-4p*

Naturalist Jess Blalock will be available Fridays through Sundays to answer questions about the forest, ID photos and found objects, and to chat about your favorite topics! Volunteer Matt Blalock and members of the Kanawha Valley Master Naturalists will also be in the Nature Center on select weekends to answer questions about the forest and provide general information!

Meet A WV Master Naturalist!

See Kanawha State Forest Foundation Facebook Page for dates and times!

Come by the Nature Center to meet a member of the WV Master Naturalists Program! Interested in becoming a WV Master Naturalist? They can answer your questions and help you find the information you need to join!

Storytime With Naturalist Jess!

Saturday, 3/7: 1p-2p

Bring your little ones to the Nature Center for a story, short video, and coloring activity with Naturalist Jess! Stories are suitable for children K-3. Our story will be **The Hidden Life of a Toad**. We'll learn all about Toads in this special storytime! Naturalist Jess will share photos from her vernal pond observations, and we'll play Toad Bingo! (YPP Program)

Natural Dyes with Karen Kelly

Sunday, 3/8: 1p-3p

Join the talented fiber and knitting enthusiast Karen Kelly in the Nature Center for a discussion of natural dyes and how they are achieved!

Documentary Days!

On the following Fridays: 3/6, 3/27: 1p-3:45p

We'll be showing documentaries that focus on Spring, foraging, and wetlands! (YPP Program)

Owl Pellets!

Saturday, 3/28: 1p-3p

Owls are fascinating and so are the pellets that they leave behind! We'll learn all about what an Owl pellet is (it's **not** scat!), why and how they form, and what other animals produce pellets! Every child and interested adult will have the chance to dissect **one** pellet per person! (YPP Program)

NATURE CENTER NOTES!

- **Please visit the Kanawha State Forest Foundation Facebook Page** for all updates relating to the Nature Center, upcoming volunteer opportunities, and the latest happenings at Kanawha State Forest! You can also contact the Forest Office at (304)558-3500 for information on Nature Center hours and days of operation.

- **We return to 9a-5p and weekday hours on APRIL 1ST!**

- **THANK YOU to everyone who has taken Volunteer Matt's 2026 Programs Survey!** If you haven't taken it yet, please visit the Kanawha State Forest Foundation Facebook Page for the link! We are running the survey all year! Your responses are being shared with Superintendent Sanford and Assistant Superintendent Gilbert as we receive them, and will help us shape programs for this year and 2027!

- **SAVE THE DATE!** Please mark your calendars for these events, coming soon to the KSF Nature Center and Kanawha State Forest! Additional programs will be announced as they are scheduled on the Kanawha State Forest Foundation Facebook Page!
 - **Saturday, 4/11: Seeing With New Eyes: A Nature Journaling Workshop with Jamie Chambers (1p)**
 - **Saturday, 4/18: Nature Center CLOSED (Trail Building Workshop)**
 - **Friday, 4/24 - Sunday, 4/26: Mary Ingles Trail Association Living History Encampment (All Weekend at Shelters 8 and 9)**
 - **Saturday, 4/25: Medicinal Herb Walk with Becky Linger (1p)**
 - **Saturday, 5/2: Bil Lepp Storyteller (1p)**
 - **Saturday, 5/9: Raising Monarchs with Kelley Barnes Berry (1p)**
 - **Saturday, 5/16: Osbra Eye Spring Walks (details TBA)**
 - **Friday, 7/24: Moth Night with Doren Burrell (8p)**
 - **Saturday, 9/12: Margaret Denison Fall Walks (details TBA)**
 - **Saturday, 9/19: Three Rivers Avian Center (2p)**
 - **Saturday 9/26: Geology ROCKS! with Randy Toth WVGS (time TBA)**

- **West FURginia State Park Ranger Program and YPP (Young People to Parks)** programs are available at KSF! Please see Naturalist Jess for more information!