



INTERPRETIVE Programs

Clifty Falls State Park
March 2024

Saturday, March 2

10am Story and Sensory Walk - It's National Read Across America Day and March 1 was National Day of Unplugging, so we thought why not celebrate both at one time. Come to the **Nature Center** for story time with the naturalist, then go on a short, easy sensory walk to the observation tower during this 45-minute program.

2pm Sights and Sounds of Spring Hike - Spring is almost here! Let's explore the changes in nature from winter to spring. We'll look for wildflowers, listen for birds, and more! Meet at **Clifty Shelter** for this 1 hour moderately rugged hike.

Sunday, March 3

10am Turtle Time - Celebrate World Wildlife Day with us! Discover the turtles that call Clifty Falls home and meet our live turtles during this 30-minute program at the **Nature Center**.

Saturday, March 9

10am Backyard Birdwatching - Come to the **Nature Center** to see what birds visit our feeders and we'll help you identify what you see and share some fun facts during this 30-minute program.

1pm Women's Hiking Group Meet-Up - Ladies! Join us for our monthly group hike where you can get outdoors and meet like-minded women. This 2-hour hike is rugged. Meet at **Tunnel Falls parking lot**.

Sunday, March 10

2pm Waterfall Hike - Meet at **Clifty Shelter** for a 1 hour moderately rugged hike through one of the most scenic sections of Clifty Canyon. There's a chance to see 5 waterfalls along the way!

Thursday, March 14

6pm Friends Group Meeting - Join our parks Friends Group! Meet us at the **Nature Center** to find out how you can become more involved in volunteering to better our park for current and future generations. Meet new people, while having the opportunity to learn and grow!

Saturday, March 16

10am Animal Track Books - Come to the **Nature Center** to explore different animal tracks you might find in the park and make an animal tracks book to take home with you to help you identify the tracks in your own backyard during this 30-minute activity.

2pm Waterfall Hike - Meet at **Clifty Shelter** for a 1 hour moderately rugged hike through one of the most scenic sections of Clifty Canyon. There's a chance to see 5 waterfalls along the way!

Sunday, March 17

10am Fun with Frogs - World Frog Day is March 20. Celebrate a little early with us by discovering more about our amphibian friends and then making a fun craft during this 30-minute program at the **Nature Center**.

Monday, March 18

10am Trash to Treasure - It's Global Recycling Day. Discover the benefits of recycling and then make a fun craft using items that some people would consider trash during this 45-minute program at the **Nature Center**.

Thursday, March 21

10am Growing Wild - Discover more about our native wildflowers and their parts. Then paint a flowerpot, plant some wildflower seeds in it and take it home with you all during this hour-long program at the **Nature Center**. Please register by calling 812-273-0609.

Friday, March 22

2pm Water Quality Monitoring - It's World Water Day! Meet at the **Pool** to go on a short easy hike down to the creek where we will do some basic tests to check the quality of the water in our stream during this hour-long program.

Saturday, March 23

Cabin Fever Day

10am Waterfall Hike - Meet at **Clifty Shelter** for a 1 hour moderately rugged hike through one of the most scenic sections of Clifty Canyon. There's a chance to see 5 waterfalls along the way!

1pm Live Birds of Prey - Join us at **Clifty Shelter** to meet some live birds of prey from Hardy Lake. Please bring a cash donation for this 1-hour program to benefit the Dwight Chamberlain Raptor Rehabilitation Center.

3pm Bluebird Box Workshop - Encourage bluebirds to take up residence in your backyard by building a house for them. This workshop, sponsored by the Friends of Clifty Falls State Park, is limited to 10 people and there is a \$20 fee. We will meet at Clifty Shelter. **Please call 812-273-0609 to register.**

8pm Timberdoodles Sky Dance - Meet at the outdoor **Pool** for this 30-minute program to watch for the courtship display of the American Woodcock. Their display, known as the *sky dance*, is best viewed at dawn and dusk.

Sunday, March 24

10am Slime vs. Scales - Explore the unique adaptations of some of our live reptiles and amphibians during this 45-minute program at the **Nature Center**. There will be an opportunity to touch a live snake or turtle!

Saturday, March 30

10am Whose Nest is This? - Discover how to identify bird nests and eggs. Then paint an egg to take home with you during this hour-long program at the **Nature Center**.

2pm Spring Scavenger Hunt - Join the naturalist at the **Nature Center** for this hour-long moderate hike to search for items on the scavenger hunt list, or if you would like to complete the scavenger hunt solo, you can pick up a list any time before 3pm at the nature center. Once you have photos of all the items on the list, show your photos to the naturalist to receive a small prize, and be entered into a drawing for an annual pass.

Nature Center Hours

Sunday & Monday: 10am-3pm

Tuesday & Wednesday: Closed

Thursday-Saturday: 10am-3pm

For Questions, Contact our Naturalists:

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