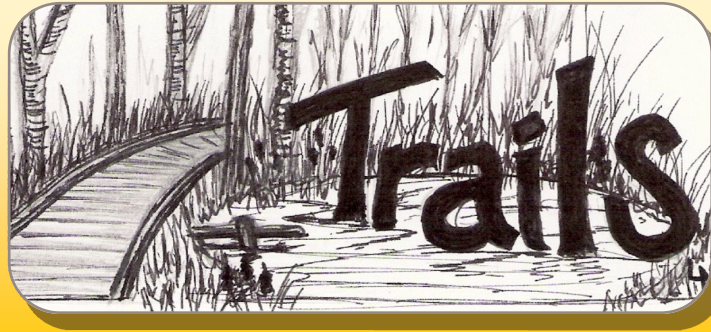


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2023 Scholarship Recipients

The Friends of the Crawford Park District is pleased to announce the recipients of the Dr. Laurie Anne Rhodebeck Memorial Scholarship. The 2023 recipients are Maria Smith, a 2023 Colonel Crawford High School graduate, and Jayleen Spaulding, a 2023 Buckeye Central High School graduate.

This fall, Maria will be attending Walsh University where she will major in Early Childhood Education. Maria's essay meshed very well with the CPD's ethos on protecting the environment: education. She stated, "Educational programs get people involved in experiencing first-hand the importance of the environment we live in." She went on to say, "When people begin to see the complexity and beauty of all this world can offer, their appreciation will lead to protection." Maria closed her essay with, "Education is critical in the process of protecting the environment. People come to protect the things they love, so building a community that loves nature will lead to a community that protects and sees the importance in nature."



Jayleen Spaulding is embarking on a journey to Florida where she will be studying Marine Biology at Nova Southeastern University.

Understanding the impact human actions have had on marine environments, Jayleen also realizes education is of the utmost importance for future conservation efforts. "Classes should be taught on how to preserve local parks, oceans, forests, and other environments. These classes would teach them about regulation, maintaining, and carefully experiencing without harming it. I truly think this could be the solution." Jayleen's dedication will positively impact how others improve, protect, and experience our natural world.

We wish the best of luck to Maria and Jayleen as they move forward in new chapters of their lives. Congratulations, Maria and Jayleen!



Tribute to Emerson

It was with heavy hearts that CPD staff and board members learned of the passing of Emerson Eckstein this past spring. Emerson was involved from the very beginning as a member of the steering committee that worked to establish the Crawford Park District. During those early days, meetings were held, field trips to other park districts were taken, and the proper paperwork was filed. In November 1994 the Park District was formed, with Emerson holding one of the first three park commissioner seats. Emerson helped with the first park projects, establishing the Picnic Park within the Crawford County Fairgrounds and applying crushed asphalt to the walking path around Outhwaite Reservoir. In 2002, Emerson was a familiar face on site as the Nature Center was being constructed. From sanding and staining to painting and shelf building, Emerson put in countless hours to ready the hub of the CPD.



In the last 15 years, Emerson was a fixture at some of the larger CPD events. While you wouldn't see him serving, he was our flapjack flipper for our annual Pancake Breakfast; on many hot August afternoons, Emerson was serving up ice cold treats for sno-cone consumers at our Water Carnival; and every quarter,



you could find him assisting with folding and readying our newsletter mailing. He also served a few terms as a trustee for the Friends of the Crawford Park District.

Over the years, Emerson would remark about the positive growth within the CPD and the impact he knew the organization was, and is, having for the community. While he never verbalized it, it was understood that he was proud to be a part of it.

Although his physical presence will be sorely missed, Emerson's contributions to the Crawford Park District have had an indelible impact.

Thanks for all you have done for the CPD, Emerson!

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All programs are free of charge, unless otherwise noted. For more information or questions about programs, call 419-683-9000 or visit www.crawfordparkdistrict.org

September

Little Explorers: Wings

Tuesday, September 5 5pm Lowe-Volk Park

Little Explorers is an interactive program for young children, ages 0-5. Activities focus on stimulating infants' senses and developing toddlers' and preschoolers' fine motor skills. This month we'll explore wings! We will be inside and outside this month.

Homeschool in Nature: Ecosystem Engineers

Thurs., Sept. 7 10am & 2pm Lowe-Volk Park



Starting our school year off, we will investigate different ways animals change the environment. We will have a hands-on activity to see if we can modify the environment

as well as the wild animals can. Call the Park District at 419-683-9000 to register your 5-12-year-old.

Monarch Tagging

Thursday, September 7 5pm Buckeye Central

Outdoor Learning Lab

Learn about the life cycle of the Monarch butterfly, its need for milkweed plants, and their amazing migration to Mexico. You will have an opportunity to help Kansas University with Monarch migration and population research by attempting to capture, tag, and release Monarch butterflies! Fun for all ages! Nets will be provided. Maybe YOUR monarch will make it to Mexico!



Parks in the Dark

Friday, September 8 9pm Lowe-Volk Park



Here is your chance to explore our parks at night! We will use flashlights and ultraviolet lights to explore the woodlands and wetland to see

which animals are active at night. From spinning spiders, to hunting owls, to glowing caterpillars—who knows what we'll discover!

Space Invaders

Saturday, September 9 8-11am Unger Park

Autumn Olive and other woody invasives can quickly outcompete the native plants that animals depend on for food and shelter. Help us eliminate these invaders from Unger Park's prairies so that the birds, insects, and other wildlife will flourish! Gloves and loppers will be provided. When we're done, Land Manager Mike will use his flamethrower to incinerate the invaders!! This is a great opportunity for anyone in need of volunteer hours.

Archery

Monday, September 11 5pm Lowe-Volk Park

Whether for sport, food, or fun, archery is a great outdoor activity that gets us away from the hustle and gadgets of life, allowing us to focus on one thing: hitting the target. Join us for an archery shoot that will include an introduction to archery safety and shooting basics. All equipment will be provided. Call the Park District at 419-683-9000 to register.





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September

Canning/Food Preservation

Thursday, September 14 6pm Lowe-Volk Park

Yes, you CAN! If you've been wanting to preserve your own produce, come to the Nature Center to learn all about canning and food preservation.

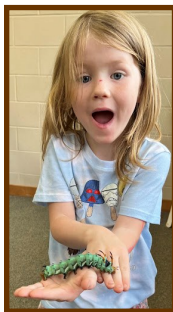


Presented by local gardening enthusiast Magen Fuller, you'll learn all the different methods of safely preserving food for your family to enjoy year-round. From freezing to pressure canning, we'll cover food safety, food preservation guidelines, and all the tools needed to get started preserving your own food.

Face to Face: Caterpillars

Saturday, September 16 11am Lowe-Volk Park

Caterpillars come in a variety of shapes, colors, and textures. Come meet, touch, or hold some caterpillar friends like a Hickory Horned Devil, while learning about how vital they are to food webs. Fun for all ages!



Monarch Tagging

Sunday, September 17 3pm Unger Park



Join Naturalist Chelsea to learn all about the life cycle of Monarch butterflies, their need for milkweed plants, and their amazing migration to Mexico. You will have an opportunity to help Kansas University with Monarch migration and population research by attempting to capture, tag, and release Monarch butterflies. Fun for all ages! Nets will be provided.

Wasting Whitetails: Impacts of Deer Diseases

Monday, September 18 5pm Lowe-Volk Park

Whitetail Deer are the most pursued game species in Ohio. In recent years, Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease (EHD)



and Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) have been reported in Ohio's deer herd. Ohio Division of Wildlife's Deer Biologist, Clint McCoy, will provide information regarding these diseases and their implications for deer management. Clint will also cover other diseases and oddities that, while not of much concern for humans, are commonly encountered (fibromas, hydrocysts, molting, etc.).

Monarch Tagging

Wed., September 20 5pm Lowe-Volk Park

Learn about the life cycle of the Monarch butterfly, its need for milkweed plants, and their amazing migration to Mexico. You will have an opportunity to help Kansas University with Monarch migration and population research by attempting to capture, tag, and release Monarch butterflies. Nets will be provided. All ages welcome!

Sandusky River Clean Sweep

Sat., September 23 9am-12pm Aumiller Park

Volunteer to help remove trash from the Sandusky River. All volunteers are welcome, but if you register prior to the event, you'll receive a free T-shirt and snack bag! Please dress to be in the stream with closed-toe footwear, sunscreen, and bug spray suggested. Trash bags and gloves will be provided. Meet at the Friendship Shelter. See page 9 for more information and registration details.



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September/October

Canoeing

Saturday, September 23 10am Neff Reservoir

Stop out for a late morning paddle around Neff Reservoir. After learning some canoeing basics and safety, you will then take to the water! Please wear shoes that can get wet. All equipment will be



provided. No registration required, but it will be first come, first served.

Lashing: A Lost Campcraft

Saturday, September 23 1pm Lowe-Volk Park

While knot tying is an important component of campcraft, lashing a sturdy camp gadget together with rope and two or more pieces of wood is essential. Join Mr. Josh for a fun afternoon as he teaches you how to utilize the three types of lashes: square, diagonal, and sheer. From tripods to tables, and simple hangers to complex towers, lashing



together camp gadgets will give your campsite that rustic feel while providing a useful accoutrement for your daily camp

activities.

Pickin' Pawpaws

Sunday, September 24 3pm Sears Woods

"Pickin' up pawpaws, puttin' em in her pocket!" Come on a hike with CPD Staff to learn about and search for our largest native fruit... the pawpaw! If the pickins are ripe and ready, we will have a tasty snack!

Feeding Day

Monday, September 25 5pm Lowe-Volk Park

Join Lisa to help feed some of the animals that reside in the Nature Center. Help prepare food for the box turtles or dangle a worm for the snapping turtles to grab. Don't forget our snakes would love a mouse too!



Monarch Tagging

Wednesday, September 27 5pm Unger Park

Learn about the life cycle of the Monarch butterfly, its need for milkweed plants, and their amazing migration to Mexico. Join Mr. Josh for an opportunity to help Kansas University with Monarch migration and population research by attempting to capture, tag, and release Monarch butterflies. All ages welcome. Nets will be provided.

Little Explorers: Pumpkins

Tuesday, October 3 5pm Lowe-Volk Park

Little Explorers is an interactive program for young children, ages 0-5. Activities focus on stimulating infants' senses and developing toddlers' and preschoolers' fine motor skills. This month we'll



explore colorful, bumpy, slimy pumpkins! We will also be enjoying some pumpkin treats.



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Homeschool in Nature: I Spy

Thurs., October 5 10am & 2pm Lowe-Volk Park



This month, while going on a hike, we will use our keen eyesight to spy some of the smaller things nature has hidden and objects that are camouflaged. They will probably be hiding in plain sight! Call the Park District at

419-683-9000 to register your 5-12-year-old.

Seed Collection

Saturday, October 7 9am-12pm Unger Park

Come to Unger Park and help collect prairie plant seeds. Seed collection aids the CPD in creating new prairies or bolstering plant populations in established prairies. Land Manager Mike will assist you with plant and seed identification. All collection equipment will be provided. Long pants are recommended. Participants will also get to take some seeds home to establish their own native prairie garden.

Feeding Day

Monday, October 9 5pm Lowe-Volk Park

Our animal ambassadors get a variety of foods. Some prefer worms or mice, while others munch on leafy greens, fruits, and vegetables. Stop by to help prepare some of the animals' meals and then watch as they gobble their food up.



Flint & Steel Fire

Saturday, October 14 10am Lowe-Volk Park

There are many ways to build a fire, but using flint and steel is a technique that is sure to impress your

campfire crew. Join Mr. Josh as he shows you the necessary materials and methods to successfully start a fire with flint and steel. All materials will be provided.

Haunted Headwaters

Saturday, October 14 8pm-11:30pm

Sandusky Headwaters Preserve

They say these woods are haunted, and the river running through them emanates an eerie mist. Join us for a terrifying trek through the cursed woods, along the haunted Sandusky River, and (hopefully) return back to safety. Cost for this event is \$5 per person; funds raised will be split between the Junior Naturalist Club and our NEW archery range! This hike is not suitable for young children.

Nature Photography

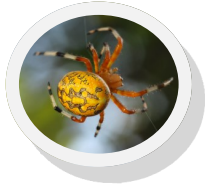
Sunday, October 15 1-3pm Lowe-Volk Park

Do you enjoy taking pictures of nature and wildlife using your phone or a 35mm camera? We will explore common methods for taking great nature photos for landscape, close-up, nature & wildlife action, flash, and night photography.



We will look at camera equipment and photo editing software. The best part of the class will be going on a nature hike and taking photos.

Did you know... flint is harder than the steel it strikes? The friction created by striking the two pieces together shaves off a piece of iron, igniting the carbon within the steel to create the spark.



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October/November

Canoeing

Wednesday, October 18 5pm Neff Reservoir

Stop out for an evening paddle around Neff Reservoir. After learning some canoeing basics and safety, you will then take to the water! Please wear shoes that can get wet. All equipment will be provided. No registration required, but it will be first come, first served.

Halloween Family Fun Night

Saturday, October 21 6-9pm Lowe-Volk Park



Head out to celebrate with a night filled with fall fun! Dress in your Halloween costume or just come to enjoy the activities. There will be a bonfire, face painting, nature art, wagon rides, and a treat bag for kids. Bring a flashlight and go on a guided night hike through the haunted

woods or go on a self-guided clue hike around the grass mounds. Fun for the whole family!

Archery Pumpkin Shoot

Wednesday, October 25 5pm Unger Park

Finishing out our archery programming this year, we will have our annual pumpkin shoot! Join Lisa and Josh for a fun evening of shooting pumpkins with arrows. We are going to test your archery skills with smaller targets. All equipment and pumpkins will be provided. Please call the Park District at 419-683-9000 to register.

Face to Face: Spiders

Saturday, October 28 11am Lowe-Volk Park

Calling all arachnophobes! Today is the day to

conquer one of your fears! We will learn all about spiders' super senses, while observing several spider species up close. You will also get a chance to hold spiders, including orbweavers and tarantulas!

Zombie Zoo

Tuesday, October 31 7pm Lowe-Volk Park

Delve into the world of nature's zombies and the organisms that create them! From crickets that drown themselves to caterpillar bodyguards to "fungified" kamikaze ants (which inspired the popular show *The Last of Us*), you will be amazed at the gruesome zombie fates that are a daily occurrence in nature!



Homeschool in Nature: Smells Like Nature

Thurs., Nov. 2 10am & 2pm Lowe-Volk Park

Put your nose to the test! Can you identify many different smells from animal musk to mint leaves and many things in between? Call the Park District at 419-683-9000 to register your 5-12-year-old.

Saw-whet Owls

Friday, November 3 6:30pm Lowe-Volk Park



Secretive and nocturnal, Saw-whets are Ohio's smallest owl. With a handful of nesting records in Ohio, Saw-whets breed mostly in northern boreal forests, with some venturing south in the fall and winter months. Bird bander Bob Placier will



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return with his mist nets to gather data on these diminutive owls. A PowerPoint presentation will be followed by checks of the mist nets in the hopes of catching a few of these nocturnal flyers. Between net checks, there will be a campfire to enjoy the fall evening. Dress for the weather and bring a flashlight. Fun for the whole family!

Fall Bird Banding

Sat., November 4 8am-12pm Lowe-Volk Park



Fall bird banding gives us insight into bird populations that remain in or come to Crawford County for the winter. Bob Placier will have his nets open to see who is hanging around this time of year. Fun for all ages!

Space Invaders

Sat., Nov. 4 8-11am Sandusky Headwaters

Honeysuckle, multiflora rose, and other invasives can quickly outcompete the native plants that animals depend on for food and shelter. Help us eliminate these invaders from SHP's woodlands so that the birds, insects, and other wildlife will flourish! Gloves and loppers will be provided. When we're done, Land Manager Mike will use his flamethrower to incinerate the invaders!! This is a great opportunity for anyone in need of volunteer hours.

Little Explorers: Turkeys

Tuesday, November 7 5pm Lowe-Volk Park

Little Explorers is an interactive program for young children, ages 0-5. Activities focus on stimulating infants' senses and developing toddlers' and preschoolers' fine motor skills. This month we'll

explore the colors, textures, behaviors, and sounds of turkeys! We will even have a live turkey friend with us!

Ohio Birding

Saturday, November 11 10am Lowe-Volk Park

Do you enjoy watching and feeding birds? Come and learn about the common birds of Ohio. Learn how to identify birds, use binoculars and spotting scopes, and set up bird feeders and bird houses. We will look at Ohio



nature guides, the Ohio Division of Wildlife website, and apps on your phone that can help you identify birds by their appearance and calls. We will also learn about our nation's largest spring warbler migration that takes place at Ohio's Magee Marsh.

Feeding Day

Monday, November 13 5pm Lowe-Volk Park

Our animal ambassadors get a variety of foods. Some prefer worms or mice, while others munch on leafy greens, fruits, and vegetables. Stop by to help prepare some of the animals' meals, and then watch as they gobble them up.

Face to Face: Frogs

Saturday, November 25 11am Lowe-Volk Park

Come meet the frog ambassadors of the Nature Center up close! We will touch and hold Gray Treefrogs, American Toads, a Northern Leopard Frog, and a Western Chorus Frog, while learning all about their life cycles.

Sandusky River Clean Sweep

Volunteer and make a difference in your community!

Volunteers Needed!!

Volunteer to help remove trash from the Sandusky River. Volunteers must register prior to the event. Please dress to be in the stream with closed-toe footwear, sun screen, and bug spray suggested. Trash bags, gloves, water, and a light snack bag will be provided.

Saturday September 23rd, 2023

9:00 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Multiple Locations to Participate:

Tiffin - Junior Home Park

Crawford County – Aumiller Park,
Friendship Shelter

Registration Information:

Registration now open!

Go to sanduskyriver.org and follow the registration link on our home page. If you register by Sept. 8th you will receive a free Clean Sweep t-shirt!

Contact Jakob Boehler with questions. 419-448-2054

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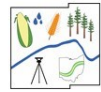
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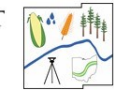
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Junior Naturalist Club

Saturday, September 9 2 pm

Saturday, October 14 4pm (Haunted Headwaters)

Saturday, October 21 5pm (HFFN)

Saturday, November 4 10am (Bird Banding)

Are you curious about the wild world around you? Do you want to make a difference in your environment? Would you like to hang out with like-minded people and have a great time doing both?! If so, consider joining the Junior Naturalist Club! This adventurous program is open to teens (ages 12-18). Our meetings will be held once a month, usually at 2pm on the 2nd Saturday or during special events. Meetings include service projects, workshops, citizen science projects, animal handling/care, volunteering at Park events, and fun field trips! To apply, please print and complete the application found at crawfordpd.org and drop it off to Naturalist Kaily at the Nature Center, or scan and email it to kvitullo@crawfordpd.org.

Nature Book Club

Calling all book lovers! The Crawford Park District Book Club is looking for new members to join. Each month we will read and discuss a book that connects us with nature. Call the Park Office at 419-683-9000 for more information.

In 2005, a nature enthusiast started volunteering his time and talents to the CPD. Warren Uxley's skill in identifying birds and plants has not only helped in our understanding of the flora and fauna of your parks, but also in educating others about them.

Warren's love for nature started with an interest in birds during his adolescent years, followed by an intrigue with plants later as an adult. He was able to get his "nature fix" by visiting the neighboring Gorman Nature Center and its surrounding habitats. Upon learning of a new park district more local for him, Warren offered his skill set in a new fashion. He traversed Crawford County documenting any and all birds and plants he encountered. Dragonflies and damselflies also became a muse for Warren. As Heckert Nature Preserve was being developed, Warren scoured the uplands and lowlands, carefully documenting every plant in the damp forest. Once all the plants were documented, a Floristic Quality Assessment Index was compiled. (An FQAI assists land management efforts in understanding a specific habitat's quality based on its botanical composition.)



From sparrows to katydid, Warren shared what he loved. If you attended any of his programs, you know how expansive his natural history knowledge is. While working in manufacturing during the day, he spent hours poring over natural history books in his spare time. Perhaps the most admirable aspect of Warren's nature knowledge is he did this on his own—not because he needed to for work or for some project—even taking classes to help him become a more effective environmental educator.

You may have noticed a lack of Warren's name within this quarter's newsletter. He has decided to enter into full-time retirement. Regarding his tenure as a naturalist with the CPD, Warren reflected, "I really appreciate the people who I worked with at the CPD. Seeing the changes in the expanding interests of natural history has really been exciting. I am fortunate to have learned and experienced those changes with the CPD."

Thank you, Warren, for your years of service to the Crawford Park District! We wish you all the best in this new chapter of your life!



Save the Date!!!

On April 8, 2024, Ohio will experience something that hasn't happened here since 1806 and won't happen again until 2099... a total solar eclipse! We have seen partial eclipses more recently, but this one is different because we (parts of Ohio/Crawford County) are in line for complete totality. This means the moon will be directly between the earth and the sun, completely blocking the sun from our view. Even though the eclipse is still months away, we have been planning for quite some time. The Astronomy Club has been busy writing grants and purchasing thousands of eclipse glasses. They will be distributing these glasses to participants at their upcoming programs. Many schools in the area are also planning for this celestial event by turning April 8th into a calamity day! We are still finalizing plans, but check back to see where to join us to witness the solar eclipse. We hope to see you there! You can also learn more about the 2024 eclipse at www.eclipse.ohio.gov.



Also.... Save this Date!

As a prelude to the total eclipse next spring, we will soon be treated to an annular (ring-shaped) solar eclipse on October 14th. Annular solar eclipses occur when the moon passes between the earth and the sun while at its farthest point from the earth. Because of the moon's distance from Earth, it does not completely block the sun as it would during a total eclipse, resulting in a "ring of fire" effect for viewers standing in the path of annularity. Although Ohio will not be directly in the path of annularity for this eclipse, we will still enjoy a partial view of this amazing astronomical event! This partial eclipse will be visible to us from 11:42am-2:35pm.

Crawford Park Astronomy Club

The Astronomy Club will meet on the 4th and 5th Saturday of every month, 30 minutes after sunset. Please dress for the weather. On rainy or cloudy nights, the program will be held in the Nature Center.



On March 25, the Astronomy Club held a public planetarium program for many to enjoy. Thank you to Wynford for the use of your planetarium and thanks to all of those who came out!

Astronomy Terminology

Asterism - a prominent star pattern that isn't an entire constellation. (ex: Big Dipper & Orion's Belt)

Astronomical Unit - The average distance from Earth to the Sun. (almost 93 million miles)

Circumpolar - an object near a celestial pole that never dips below the horizon as Earth rotates, making it visible year-round.

Comet - a "dirty snowball" of ice and rocky debris that orbits the Sun.

Constellation - a distinctive pattern of stars.

Eclipse - when the shadow from a planet or moon is cast over another object.

Galaxy - a vast collection of stars, gas, and dust. They can be Spiral, Elliptical, or Irregular in shape.

Light-years - the distance that light travels in one year. (about 6 trillion miles)

Magnitude - a number that denotes how bright a star or celestial object is.

Messier object - an entry in a catalog of 103-109 star clusters, nebulas, and galaxies compiled by Charles Messier.

Meteor (shooting star) - a brief streak of light caused by a small piece of solid matter entering the earth's atmosphere at about 20-40 miles per second.

Nebula - a giant cloud of gas and dust in space.

Star - a massive ball of gas.

Star Cluster - a collection of stars orbiting a common center of mass. An Open Cluster is a few hundred stars and less than 100 million years old. A Globular Cluster is up to a million stars and at least 10 billion years old.

Supernova - when a star has reached the end of its life and explodes into a huge burst of light.

Meeting Dates



Sept. 23	8:00 pm
Sept. 30	8:00 pm
Oct. 14	11:30 am
Oct. 21	HFFN
Oct. 28	7:00 pm
Nov. 25	6:00 pm



Targets for Fall

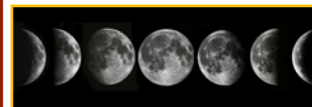
- ✦ **M15** - located in Pegasus, 33,600 light-years away, and a globular cluster.
- ✦ **Ring Nebula (M57)** - about 2,000 light-years away, found in Lyra, a supernova remnant, and looks like a puff of smoke!
- ✦ **The Hercules Cluster (M13)** - contains nearly a million stars and is the finest globular cluster in the Northern sky.
- ✦ **Summer Triangle** - an asterism of three bright stars from separate constellations.
- ✦ **Andromeda Galaxy (M31)** - our neighbor galaxy only 2.5 million light-years away.
- ✦ **Albireo** - the most beautiful double star in the sky with one star glowing golden while the other glows blue like a sapphire.

Full Moons

September 29
(Harvest Moon)

October 28
(Hunter's Moon)

November 27
(Beaver Moon)



Other Events

Draconids meteor shower
(Peak: October 8-9)

Annular Solar Eclipse
October 14

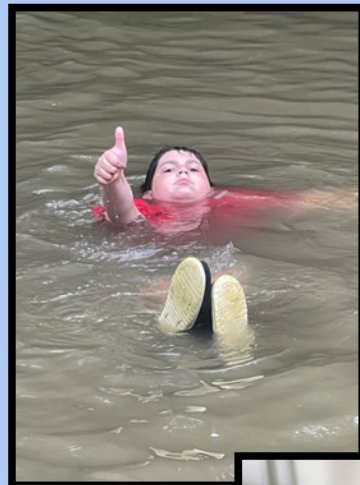
Orionids meteor shower
Sept. 26-Nov. 22
(Peak: October 21-22)

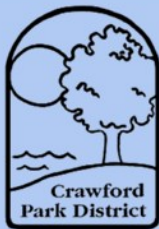
Leonids meteor shower
Nov. 3-Dec. 2
(Peak: November 17-18)



The Astronomy Club has a new inflatable planetarium and a projector with beautiful slides that can be viewed! Thank you Dan and Bryan for teaching our Nature Campers this summer all about our night sky!

NATURE CAMP 2023





Crawford Park District



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Crawford Park District Abbreviated Calendar

Park/Program Location Key:

LVP (Lowe-Volk Park); **UP** (Unger Park); **SHP** (Sandusky Headwaters Preserve);

SW (Sears Woods); **Neff** (Neff Reservoir); **AP** (Aumiller Park)

BCOLL (Buckeye Central Outdoor Learning Lab)



Date	Program/Event	Time	Park	Date	Program/Event	Time	Park
Tues. Sept. 5	Little Explorers: Wings	5pm	LVP	Sat. Oct. 7	Seed Collection	9am-12pm	UP
Thurs. Sept. 7	Homeschool: Ecosystem Engineers	10am & 2pm	LVP	Mon. Oct. 9	Feeding Day	5pm	LVP
Thurs. Sept. 7	Monarch Tagging	5pm	BCOLL	Sat. Oct. 14	Flint & Steel Fire	10am	LVP
Fri. Sept. 8	Parks in the Dark	9pm	LVP	Sat. Oct. 14	Annular Eclipse	11:30	LVP
Sat. Sept. 9	Space Invaders	8am-11am	UP	Sat. Oct. 14	Haunted Headwaters	8pm-11:30pm	SHP
Mon. Sept. 11	Archery	5pm	LVP	Sun. Oct. 15	Nature Photography	1pm-3pm	LVP
Thurs. Sept. 14	Canning/Food Preservation	6pm	LVP	Wed. Oct. 18	Canoeing	5pm	Neff
Sat. Sept. 16	Face to Face: Caterpillars	11am	LVP	Sat. Oct. 21	Halloween Family Fun Night	6pm-9pm	LVP
Sun. Sept. 17	Monarch Tagging	3pm	UP	Wed. Oct. 25	Archery Pumpkin Shoot	5pm	UP
Mon. Sept. 18	Wasting Whitetails	5pm	LVP	Sat. Oct. 28	Face to Face: Spiders	11am	LVP
Wed. Sept. 20	Monarch Tagging	5pm	LVP	Sat. Oct. 28	Viewing the Night Sky	7pm	LVP
Sat. Sept. 23	Sandusky River Clean Sweep	9am-12pm	AP	Tues. Oct. 31	Zombie Zoo	7pm	LVP
Sat. Sept. 23	Canoeing	10am	Neff	Thurs. Nov. 2	Homeschool: Smells Like Nature	10am & 2pm	LVP
Sat. Sept. 23	Lashing: A Lost Campcraft	1pm	LVP	Fri. Nov. 3	Saw-whet Owls	6:30pm	LVP
Sat. Sept. 23	Viewing the Night Sky	8pm	LVP	Sat. Nov. 4	Fall Bird Banding	8am-12pm	LVP
Sun. Sept. 24	Pickin' Pawpaws	3pm	SW	Sat. Nov. 4	Space Invaders	8am-11am	SHP
Mon. Sept. 25	Feeding Day	5pm	LVP	Tues. Nov. 7	Little Explorers: Turkeys	5pm	LVP
Wed. Sept. 27	Monarch Tagging	5pm	UP	Sat. Nov. 11	Ohio Birding	10am	LVP
Sat. Sept. 30	Viewing the Night Sky	8pm	LVP	Mon. Nov. 13	Feeding Day	5pm	LVP
Tues. Oct. 3	Little Explorers: Pumpkins	5pm	LVP	Sat. Nov. 25	Face to Face: Frogs	11am	LVP
Thurs. Oct. 5	Homeschool: I Spy	10am & 2pm	LVP	Sat. Nov. 25	Viewing the Night Sky	6pm	LVP