

BOYD HILL NATURE PRESERVE PROGRAM CALENDAR

MARCH 2020

TRAM TOURS DAILY 1 pm †

Saturday, 10 am & 1 pm
Cost: \$5 adults, \$3.50 kids
Groups of 4 or more may request additional times (when available).

HOURLY PADDLE RENTALS!

Visitors can rent kayaks or canoes from the Nature Center for unguided access to scenic Lake Maggiore.
Cost per kayak/canoe is \$10/hour with 2 hour minimum.

BIRDS OF PREY DAILY CARE

Every Tuesday - Friday, 4 - 5 pm
Cost: Admission
Are you interested in learning more about the daily workings of our Birds of Prey program? Come and watch volunteers interact with the birds!

PUDDLE JUMPERS †‡

Every Wednesday, 9:30 - 11 am
Cost: \$5, ages 3 - 4
Outdoor exploration and learning for children entering pre-K. Dress for rain or shine!

SUSTAINABLE SUNDAYS

Every Sunday. 11 am
Cost: Admission, all ages
This month: Travel/Transportation
Sustainable living ideas and products will be featured in the gift shop each Sunday of the month. Demonstrations will be on the first Sunday of each month at 11 am in the lobby of the Nature Center.

CREATURE FEATURE

Every Saturday and Sunday, 2:30 pm
Cost: Admission, all ages
Live animal encounter! Learn interesting facts about a live animal featured at the preserve.

YOGA FOR YOU!

Every Wednesday and Sunday, 9:30 - 10:30 am
Cost: \$7 per class, \$50 per month
Intermediate hatha yoga, stretching and common poses. Bring a mat and water. Beginner to intermediate level.

VOLUNTEER ORIENTATIONS

Saturday, March 7, 1 pm
Thursday, March 12, 6 pm
Tuesday, March 17, 2 pm
Cost: FREE, all ages
Find out more about volunteering at BHP!

BIRDS OF PREY ENCOUNTER

Sunday, March 1, 10 am
Sunday, March 15, 10 am
Cost: \$3/\$1.50, all ages
Join us for a 30-minute Birds of Prey encounter! Get an up close look at a beautiful avian ambassador and learn how you can help birds of prey!

ALLIGATOR WALK

Sunday, March 1, 11:30 am
Saturday, March 14, 11 am
Sunday, March 29, 11 am
Cost: \$3/\$1.50, all ages
Learn about the American alligator, Florida's state reptile, which calls our wetlands home.

YOGA AND MINDFULNESS FOR KIDS

Sunday, March 1, 2 pm and 3 pm
2 pm session for ages 4 - 7
3 pm session for ages 8 - 13
Cost: \$10
Children learn the basics of yoga and meditation through movement, games and songs. Bring a mat and water.

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CLIMATE SCIENCE SPEAKER SERIES

Tuesday, March 3, 7 pm

Cost: Free, all ages

The Climate Science Speaker Series is a monthly discussion of the potential impacts of climate change on our area.

Each month, an expert will present on a specific topic, followed by discussion with the audience. This series is presented by USFSP and Boyd Hill Nature Preserve.

ASTRONOMY NIGHT

Thursday, March 5, 7:30 pm

Cost: \$5, all ages

Take a guided tour of the night sky through telescopes provided by the St. Petersburg Astronomy Club.

PIONEER GARDEN WORKDAY

Saturday, March 7, 8 - 10 am

Cost: Free, ages 12 and up

Volunteer in the Pinellas Pioneer Settlement's garden! As you volunteer, you will gain valuable gardening skills and learn from gardeners experienced in gardening in Florida's unique climate. The Pioneer Garden is run in partnership with Growing for Good, an innovative program at Gibbs High School that teaches students sustainable gardening skills.

BIRD WALK

Saturday, March 7, 8 am

Cost: FREE, all ages

Look for birds on a guided hike led by expert birders. Binoculars are available for loan.

NAVIGATING NATURE

Saturday, March 7, 8:30 - 11:30 am

Cost: FREE, grades 4 - 8

St. Petersburg Audubon Society's monthly kids' camp.

Registration is required online at www.stpeteaudubon.org.

PIONEER FIELD DAY

Saturday, March 7, 10 am - 3 pm

Cost: Free, all ages

Play old-fashioned outdoor games such as tug of war, corn hole and sack races. Tickets and food available for purchase.

EDIBLE WILDS WALK

Saturday, March 7, 11 am

Cost: \$3/\$1.50, all ages

Guided hike with Julie Miller. Explore edible plants and learn what plants to avoid.

PIONEER OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, March 7, 11 am - 2 pm

Tour of buildings: 11:30 am

Cost: FREE, all ages

Step back in time for a relaxing afternoon with family and friends.
3130 31st Street S.

NIGHT HIKE

Saturday, March 7, 7:30 pm (Family)

Saturday, March 21, 8 pm (Adult)

Cost: \$5/\$3.50

Join preserve rangers for our most popular guided hike. Explore the preserve after hours in a small group setting. Look for alligators, listen for bats and search for scorpions!

AVIARY TOUR: Northern Crested Caracara

Sunday, March 8, 10 am

Cost: \$3/\$1.50, all ages

Get a behind-the-scenes look! See how we run the Birds of Prey program and have an up close encounter with the bird of the month!

NATURAL HISTORY SPEAKER SERIES: "Florida Red Tide and other Harmful Algal Blooms on our Waterways"

Tuesday, March 10, 7 - 8:30 pm

Cost: FREE, all ages

Come and learn about the causes and consequences of red tide and other harmful algal blooms in terms of their effects on other marine life as well as its potential economic and social impacts. Find out what you need to know and what precautions to take when consuming seafood and what research is being done to help mitigate its adverse effects.

SUNRISE PADDLE THE LAKE†‡

Saturday, March 14, 7 - 9:30 am

Cost: \$25, ages 8 and up

Enjoy the beautiful colors of early morning and the photographer's "golden hour" as we explore the City's best-kept secret! Led by an experienced naturalist-guide, look for the special birds, reptiles, invertebrates and plants that call Lake Maggiore home. Appropriate for beginners to expert paddlers. All boats and equipment are provided.

HEALTHY ST. PETE'S TRAIL FUN RUN

Saturday, March 14, 9:30 am

Cost: FREE, all ages

Practice healthy habits while making new friends! All levels welcome. Meet at the flag pole in front of the Nature Center.

HERITAGE SKILLS SERIES: CANDY MAKING †‡

Saturday, March 14, 9:30 - 11 am

Cost: \$15, ages 10 and up

Originally created to keep your hands from getting sticky while eating candy, lollipops are now ingrained in American culture. Join us and create your own lollipop combinations in this fun class.

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NATURE'S ELEMENTS†‡

Saturday, Mar. 14, 21, 28;

9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Cost: \$15/child, ages 3 - 7

Children will enjoy nature walks, program animals, art, games, songs and stories with environmental educator, Amalia Fernand.

2900 31st Street S. (Osprey's Roost)

PRIMITIVE SKILLS†‡

Saturday, March 14, 1 - 5 pm

Cost: \$60, ages 12 and up

Learn how to safely build and maintain fires. Gain experience using a bow drill and make one to take home!

PIONEER NIGHTS†‡

Saturday, March 14, 6 - 10 pm

Cost: \$22, ages 6 - 13

Kids enjoy a night of friends, fun, campfire and s'mores, pioneer style!
3130 31st Street S.

NATURE EXPLORERS†‡

Saturday, March 14, 21, 18;

1 - 4 pm

Cost: \$15/child, ages 5 - 12

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WILDFLOWER WALK

Sunday, March 15, 4 pm

Saturday, March 21, 9:30 am

Cost: \$3/\$1.50, all ages

A ranger-guided walk highlights native wildflowers along the trails. Learn more about what is blooming this month.

SPRING CAMPS

Monday, March 23 - Friday, March 27

Extended Care 8 am - 5 pm

Sprouts

9 am - 12 pm

Ages 3 - 4

Getting kids curious with stories, songs, games and outdoor hikes.

Young Naturalists

9 am - 4 pm

Ages 5 - 6

Kids explore, learn and discover through games, activities and hikes.

Nature Around The World

9 am - 4 pm

Ages 4 - 7

A tour of the world's natural settings with songs, crafts and other indoor and outdoor activities that tie the continents together, creating a comprehensive picture of world geography.

Wild Explorers Camp

9 am - 4 pm

Ages 5 - 7

Explore the natural wonders of Florida with hands-on exploration, interactive games, field excursions, hikes, crafts and songs designed to nurture the love of the great outdoors.

Pioneer Camp

9 am - 4 pm

Ages 7 - 13

Experience life when family, friends and character were as important as food, water and shelter.

NATIVE PLANT AND SEED SWAP

Saturday, March 21, 10 am - noon

Cost: \$3/\$1.50, all ages

Join us for our monthly native plant and seed swap in the lower butterfly garden! Bring native plants to share and pick up a plant or two to take home for your yard! If you are unsure if your plant is native or nonnative, please do not bring it. Instead bring a photo, and we will try to identify it!

MINI CAMPS IN SESSION

Monday, March 23, 9 am - 4 pm,

Extended Care 8 am - 5 pm

Pioneer Camp, ages 7 - 13

Cost: \$30, extended care \$5

Animal Detectives. ages 4 - 7

Cost: \$35, extended care \$10

School is out! Get outdoors and have some fun!

PADDLE LAKE MAGGIORE†‡

Saturday, March 28, 9 - 11:30 am

Cost: \$25, ages 8 and up

Paddle with an experienced naturalist-guide and see all the living beauty of the preserve from an entirely different perspective than you are used to! Appropriate for beginners to experienced paddlers. All boats and equipment provided.

TWILIGHT PADDLE †‡

Saturday, March 28, 3:30 - 6 pm

Cost: \$25/person, ages 8 and up

Enjoy sunset with some of the best views that St. Petersburg has to offer! An experienced naturalist-guide will show you views from the water while teaching about all of the amazing plants and animals that live on Lake Maggiore. Appropriate for beginners to experienced paddlers. All boats and equipment are provided.

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