



# Churchville Nature Center

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## Program & Activity Guide Winter 2018-2019

### Family Programs



#### World of Weather: A Wintertime Adventure

January 26

Join us this winter for our first January Event. This fun filled day will features all kinds of cool activities and crafts about weather. Some rooms will be transformed into different climate regions. Visit a rain forest, a desert and the tundra. Visit with live animals that live in these regions. Make your own weather station. Check our website and Face Book event page for more updates

Time: 10 am to 4pm

Entrance: Members \$4 & Non-Members\$6 (Children 3 & under - Free)

#### Winter Naturalist Walks

January 20, February 17 & March 23

Join our staff as we explore the changing seasons. Winter is a quiet time when much of nature is dormant, but there's still plenty to explore. Lets see what interesting things we can find.

Time: 2:00 PM \$3 per person/Members Free

#### Geode Cave Hunt

January 12 & 13

Enter the Cave at Churchville Nature Center and see what treasure you can find! For \$7 per person, you search for your very own geode rock. Once you find yours, you have the opportunity to crack it open! No way of telling what you might have: crystal druzi, solid crystal? You are able to take home your treasure.

Time: 10am to 4pm Cost: \$7 per person

#### Mommy & Me

February 27, March 6, 13, 20 & 27

5 Week Preschool Class for children age 2-4yr olds

Join an educator for this 5 week course for our youngest visitors. So often these little guys come with their older siblings to drop them off at camp. They usually want to stay too but are too young. Well here is their chance to come do camp stuff with their adults. We will spend an hour reading a story, doing a crafts and learning about animals using our live animals. You must register for all 5 weeks and space is limited to 15 children. **Pre-registration is required \*\*Payment is due at time of registration\*\***

Time: 10:00-11:00am \$50 for 5 weeks

#### Reptile Day

March 17

Come out to see all of our reptiles up close and personal at this free event! We will have our volunteers and staff on hand to answer questions and talk about all the different reptiles in our care here at the center and at home. We will be accepting donations and restarting our Adopt-a-Reptile program at the event where you can sponsor one of our scaly friends. All proceeds will go towards the care and well-being of our education animals. We hope to see you there!



Time: 11 am to 3 pm

Free

#### Invasive Plant Removal

March 16

If you love the nature center, then consider coming out to help us continue to remove invasive multiflora rose from the preserve. Removal of invasive plants is important if we want to promote native flora and fauna, and to keep ecosystems in balance. Dress for the weather and wear boots. We will provide gloves, tools and water, but feel free to bring your own equipment if you would like.

Time: 10 am to 1 pm

#### Nature Story Time

January 19, February 16 & March 16

Join a CNC volunteer in the nature center library for an hour of stories while enjoying a warm fire in the woodstove. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Time: 11:00 am ~ all children are free

## Family Programs

### Maple Sugar Day & Pancake Breakfast

February 24

Join us Sunday February 24<sup>th</sup> for our annual Maple Sugar Day. The process of tapping maple trees, collecting the sap, and making maple syrup (one of the many uses of maple sap) is actually quite simple. It does, however, take some time and a willingness to get outdoors and experience this miracle of nature. This year's event will feature a limited space Pancake breakfast. **Pre-registration is a must by February 10<sup>th</sup> 2019. \*\*Payment is due at time of registration\*\***

Pancake Breakfast: Time 11:00 am Fee: \$10/person

Maple Sugar Program: 1:00 pm \$5/person



### Saturday Morning Bird Walks

Each Saturday, December - March

Join an experienced bird watcher every Saturday morning from 8:00 to 10:00 AM for our early morning bird walks. These walks are a great way to meet new people and enjoy casual conversation with other bird enthusiasts. Your guide will pick out the best spot to visit within the area. Bring along binoculars and a bird identification book, if you have them.

## Lenape Village Programs

### Prayer Ties for the New Year

December 30

While not specifically Lenape, many people today have adopted the use of Prayer Ties and Prayer Bundles. Learn what these are and how they are used today. You will also learn what plants traditionally go into a tie or bundle and their meaning. This is a great way to close out 2018 and set intentions for 2019. Create your own that day!

Time: 2pm to 4pm

Fee: \$5 per person, all ages

### Lenape Games

January 27 & March 10

Learn the games the Lenape and other Woodland Indians would play; many are still played today! Learn the stories attached to some, and when certain games would be played. Try your hand at all!

Time: 2:00 to 3:30 pm Cost: \$5 per person

### Clay Bead Making

February 10

A popular class is returning, just in time for Valentine's Day! Come learn about how the Lenape gathered and made their clay items. Each participant will receive clay to work with and create their own beads, pots or memento. Items left to dry here will be fired in our wood burning stove. Items can be picked up Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup> during our Maple Sugar Day. Extra clay can also be purchased.

Time: 2:00 to 3:30 pm

Fee: \$5 per person, all ages

### Lenape Craft Corn Husk Dolls

March 24

Hear the story of the Corn Maiden and learn why most Woodland Indians did not put faces on their dolls. Create your own corn husk doll to take home! Kits for extra dolls will be available that day for purchase.

Time: 2:00 to 3:30 pm

Fee: \$5 per person, ages 6yr to adult

