

# Nature Programs

POLK COUNTY CONSERVATION • NOVEMBER 2018 NATURE PROGRAMS

## Get Nutty

**Saturday, November 3 @ 10-11am**

### Yellow Banks Pond

Come learn more about nuts and the trees they come from as we enjoy one of the new Yellow Banks Trails. We might also learn a few other interesting facts about nuts from around the world. FREE. No registration required.

## Iowa Reptiles

**Saturday, November 10 @ 10:30-11:30am**

### Jester Park Nature Center

Come and learn about Iowa's reptiles. We'll discuss the fears and myths that surround these scaly creatures people love to hate. This program will feature live snakes. FREE. No registration required.

## Animal Winter Survival

**Saturday, November 10 @ 1-2pm**

### Jester Park Nature Center

How do animals survive the winter? Learn about the different strategies animals use to survive a long cold Iowa winter. FREE. No registration required.

## Outdoors Afterschool

**Wednesday, November 14 2:30-4:30 pm**

### Outdoor Recreation and Wellness Center

Looking for something fun, active, and educational for your teen? Join us as we provide instruction, equipment and hands on activities to keep your teen active and engaged. Activities will include, archery, air rifle, snowshoeing, cross country skiing, kayaking, canoeing, geocaching, shelter and fire building, and hiking. Activities are weather dependent Ages 12 years old and up. FREE. No registration required.

To register for a program, visit  
[www.leadingyououtdoors.org](http://www.leadingyououtdoors.org)  
and click on the calendar tab

## Turkey Trek

**Saturday, November 17 @ 1-3pm**

### Brown's Woods

Come enjoy a 3-mile hike through beautiful Brown's Woods, Iowa's largest urban forest preserve. We'll talk about turkeys and how animals are preparing for winter all while burning some calories. FREE. No registration required.

## #OptOutside Hike

**Friday, November 23 @ 1-2pm**

### Jester Park Nature Center

Choose to #OptOutside on Black Friday with your friends and family. We'll reconnect you with nature on a hike through Jester Park.

## Seeing Stars

**Thursday, November 29 @ 7:30-8:30pm**

### Jester Park Nature Center

Come learn the fascinating history of how our solar system was formed, focusing on our unique planets, moons, and Sun. We will identify a number of constellations and other major astronomical objects in the classroom, followed by a stargazing session of the beautiful fall night sky. FREE. No registration required.

Polk County Conservation manages 20 parks, wildlife areas, and recreation trails throughout the county. As well as performing park maintenance, we also provide free or low cost educational programs. These programs are designed for families with children of all ages. We additionally offer recreational trips and outdoor skill training for adults. For more information about our programs, parks, or a map to the locations of these programs contact the

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