

Saturday, February 25
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Ice Volcanoes of Lake Erie!
Evangola State Park

Ice Volcanoes erupt creating a bizarre and twisted ice-scape of vents, cones, craters and ice caves to discover! Take a guided walk to see these very unique Lake Erie ice formations! **To register, call (716) 549-1050.**

Saturday, March 4
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Cabin Fever Break-Out!

Buckhorn Island State Park Preserve

Take a brisk walk to discover Buckhorn Island's great trail system. These trails are located along the creeks and the Niagara River. **To register, call (716) 549-1050.**

Saturday, March 18
10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Basics of Birding
DeVeaux Woods State Park

You see a bird but you have no clue what it is! Join us and learn the basics of bird identification and equipment needed to get you started on this fun-filled hobby! A short walk in the park will be included. Appropriate for families with children ages 8 and up. **To register, call (716) 282-5154.**

Friday, March 24
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Woodcock Whorl!
Evangola State Park

Take an evening hike to witness the dazzling American Woodcock mating display flight! Serenaded by the frog chorus, explore the "Woodcock singing grounds" for a rarely seen spectacle that only happens at this time of year! **To register, call (716) 549-1050.**

Saturday, March 25
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Signs of Spring Walk

Earl W. Brydges Artpark State Park

Emerge from winter hibernation and join us on a walk through the park to rediscover the beauty of spring. **To register, call (716) 282-5154.**

Saturday, March 25
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Spring is Here!
Knox Farm State Park

Celebrate the coming of spring by taking a hike through field and forest. We'll search for tell-tale signs of the land and its occupants priming for longer days and warmer weather! **To register, call (716) 282-5154.**



Where the Wild Things Grow
Eco-Kids Series

Kids are full of questions! On the second Saturday of each month, the Eco-Kids series will include hands-on learning, a chance to get active with a game or hike, and a craft. All will center on the question of the month! Kids of ALL ages welcome. **Call (716) 282-5154 to register for any of these programs.**

Saturday, January 14
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

How do animals stay warm?

DeVeaux Woods State Park

Why do some animals hibernate while other animals are active all winter long? What keeps these animals warm?

Saturday, February 11
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Can you walk on snow?

DeVeaux Woods State Park

Why do some animals sink in the snow while others are able to stay on top of the snow? How do people solve the problem of not sinking in the snow?

Saturday, March 11
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Is it Spring yet?

DeVeaux Woods State Park

Do you like syrup on your pancakes? Have you ever wondered how the syrup is made?

Please note that we do not allow pets on our park programs unless otherwise specified. This policy is in place as a courtesy to our program participants, as well as for their safety, those of the pets, and for the wildlife that we may encounter during the program. Thank you for your cooperation.

Emergency

Park Police..... (716) 278-1777
Medical.....911
Fire Department.....911

For next season's Public Program Schedule send a self-addressed stamped envelope to:

Regional Park Interpretive Programs Office
3160 DeVeaux Woods Drive
Niagara Falls, New York 14305

Or E-mail a request to:
carol.rogers@parks.nv.gov

Call for an additional brochure about
Group Programs!

NOTE: These public programs are free except where noted in the program descriptions. Parking fees are seasonal.

These prescheduled programs are intended for individuals and families. Groups cannot be accommodated on these programs as space is limited. For information on GROUP programs, call (716) 282-5154 or (716) 549-1050.



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**Parks, Recreation
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**Public Program
Schedule
Winter
2017**

January 1 – March 31

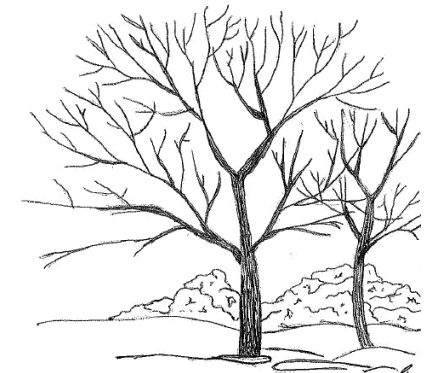
**Regional Park Interpretive
Programs Office**

**New York State OPRHP
Niagara Frontier Region
PO Box 1132
Niagara Falls, N.Y.
14303-0132**

For state park programs in:

Niagara County (716) 282-5154

Erie County (716) 549-1050





Sunday, January 1
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Explore Evangola!
Evangola State Park

From beach to forest, through campground and nature center you will see everything this park offers at an annual event that connects people to their parks. In the event of snow we will outfit everyone with snowshoes for trail walking! **To register, call (716) 549-1050.**

Sunday, January 1
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
First Day Nature Hike
DeVeaux Woods State Park

Hike through an old growth woods to the Niagara Gorge Rim Trail to see the Whirlpool and rapids. **To register, call (716) 282-5154.**

Sunday, January 1
Officers Club Open: 1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
First Day History Walk: 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Fort Niagara State Park

Enjoy a walk along the Niagara River, see the War of 1812 cemetery, and view the lighthouse, the fort (closed 1-1-17), and the site where POWs were held in WWII. Visit the Officers Club museum displays. **To register, call (716) 282-5154.**

Sunday, January 1
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
First Day Big Tree Hike
Knox Farm State Park

Start your New Year off right with an invigorating hike through Knox Farm and visit the park's largest trees! **To register, call (716) 549-1050.**

Sunday, January 1
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
First Day: Let's go to Niagara Falls!
Niagara Falls State Park

Join us for an afternoon stroll as we welcome the 1st day of the New Year at the falls! Stories will be told along the way in America's oldest state park! **To register, call (716) 282-5154.**



Winter Trails Month 2017!

A celebration of snow sports and a chance to try out snowshoeing (snowshoes provided) or go cross-country skiing at your favorite state park! Call for the meeting place as program location may be moved to a nearby park depending on snow conditions.

ERIE COUNTY STATE PARKS
To register for below programs call (716) 549-1050
Saturday, January 7
Knox Farm cross-country ski: 10am-12pm

Sunday, January 8
Beaver Island snowshoe: 10am-12pm

Saturday, January 14
Evangola cross-country ski: 10am-12pm

Sunday, January 15
Evangola snowshoe: 10am-12pm

Saturday, January 21
Knox Farm snowshoe: 10am-12pm

Sunday, January 29
Buckhorn snowshoe: 10am-12pm

NIAGARA COUNTY STATE PARKS
To register for below programs call (716) 282-5154
Saturday, January 7
DeVeaux Woods snowshoe: 10am-12 pm

Saturday, January 14
Reservoir snowshoe: 10am-12 pm

Saturday, January 28
Whirlpool snowshoe: 10am-12 pm



Saturday, January 28
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Rise and Fall of the Honeymoon Bridge
Niagara Falls State Park

Learn about the former Upper Steel Arch Bridge, and some of the stories surrounding it, followed by a short walk to the site along the gorge rim. **To register, call (716) 282-5154.**

Saturday, February 4
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Niagara's Ice Bridges
DeVeaux Woods State Park

This is the time of year when ice forms in the Niagara River. Join us for a presentation about this ice bridge that we see most winters, yet attracted people to experience it much differently in years gone by! **To register, call (716) 282-5154.**

Saturday, February 4
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Snowshoeing Adventure
Evangola State Park

Get out of your house and come explore nature's outdoor wonders! Learn about the history of the snowshoe, and then join us on a hike as we look for signs that animals have left behind, and the dens they depend on during our cold winter months. Snowshoes will be provided. **To register, call (716) 549-1050.**

Saturday, February 11
10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Birding on the River
Beaver Island State Park

Join us as we search for migratory waterfowl and other wintering birds found along the Niagara River. We will visit the lagoon overlook as well as a few other viewing areas that you will find in our state parks on Grand Island. **To register, call (716) 282-5154.**

Saturday, February 11
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Knox Farm Winter Trek
Knox Farm State Park

Embark on a winter wonder walk as we investigate animal tracks, admire 120 year old trees, and discuss how the park's wildlife endures the winter months. Bring a snack lunch. **To register, call (716) 549-1050.**

Saturday, February 11
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Valentine's Tour

Darwin Martin House State Historic Site
Planning Valentine's Day doesn't just mean dinner and a movie – do something a little bit different this year! Whether you're part of a duo, flying solo, or celebrating "Galentine's" day with friends, we invite you for a special evening. Sip champagne at Wright's Barton House and then embark on a special tour of the Martin House, exploring the themes of love, friendship and family. Cap off the evening with wine, cheese and chocolate in the Museum Store where you will find great gifts for you or that special someone. The event begins at the Barton House, 118 Summit. This event is sponsored by Premier Wines and Parkside Candy. **To register, call (716) 856-3858.**

Saturday, February 18
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Winter Wonderland Ski Tour
Evangola State Park

Cross-country skiing is a wonderful way to enjoy winter. Learn how to cross-country ski or improve your technique as we ski wooded and lakeside trails on this cooperative program led by the Buffalo Nordic Ski Club and New York State Parks. **To register, call (716) 549-1050.**

Saturday, February 18
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Nature Mosaic

Darwin Martin House State Historic Site
The Martin family had a beautiful glass mosaic fireplace designed in a wisteria pattern. Using this fireplace as inspiration, you will use images of nature and architecture to create your own unique mosaic design. (\$10 per person.) **To register, call (716) 856-3858.**

Sunday, February 19
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Snowshoeing & Cocoa

Darwin Martin House State Historic Site
Borrow a pair of our snowshoes and join a naturalist for a trip through Delaware Park. Finish your trek at the Darwin Martin House to enjoy hot cocoa! An optional house tour (\$10 per person) will be offered. **To register, call (716) 549-1050.**