



WINTER 2020

NATURE NEWS

Peck Farm Interpretive Center is open year round! Come explore and learn with us!



Technology



It's Summertime Somewhere **New!**

Ages 8-9 **1 Class**

Reveal the reasons for the seasons in this fun class. Celebrate this season and learn how the Sun and the Earth create different seasons all throughout the year. *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$12 (N/R \$15) **PFP**
 Tu 1/14 3:45-5:00pm 1211927-01

Alphamals

Ages 4-5 **1 Class**

Can you think of an animal for each letter of the alphabet? Join in on the storytelling fun and see if you can think of any other animals that start with your favorite letter. *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$10 (N/R \$13) **PFP**
 Th 3/12 10:30-11:30am 1111917-01
 Tu 3/17 1:00-2:00pm 1111917-02

Under the Ice

Ages 7-9 **1 Class**

Our aquatic friends can't walk, run, or fly away from the winter cold, so what happens to them when water freezes over? Uncover the answers to this ice-cold mystery and come away with exciting knowledge about our friends in Peck Lake. *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$12 (N/R \$15) **PFP**
 Th 2/13 3:45-5:00pm 1211933-01

HOURS & LOCATION

Regular Hours

Trails and Picnic Areas

Daily: Sunrise - 10:00 pm

November - March

Orientation Barn, Silo and Peck House

Monday-Saturday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sunday: Closed

Crazy Chemistry

Ages 8-9 **1 Class**

Chemists have all the fun! Become a real scientist while creating safe and amazing chemical reactions. *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$18 (N/R \$24) **PFP**
 Th 2/20 3:45-5:15pm 1211925-01

Rubber Band Science

Ages 8-9 **1 Class**

This snappy little class is full of potential and kinetic energy. Make, test, and take home rubber band powered items. *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$15 (N/R \$20) **PFP**
 Tu 3/10 3:45-5:15pm 1211918-01

Wacky Weather

Ages 8-10 **1 Class**

Our part of the world witnesses the wackiest weather, but why is that? Uncover the answers as to why, how and when we get the weather that we do. *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$12 (N/R \$15) **PFP**
 Th 3/5 3:45-5:15pm 1211934-01

Eye Spy

Ages 4-5 **1 Class**

Not everyone sees things the same way, especially our animal friends. You're invited to come see just how different things look with an animal's set of eyes. *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$10 (N/R \$13) **PFP**
 W 3/18 10:00-11:00am 1111918-01

Hues of Blue

Ages 8-9 **1 Class**

Blue...It may be the most popular color, but it's also the rarest color in nature. Learn the physics of why blue jays aren't actually blue and how blue morpho butterflies have no blue on them at all. *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$12 (N/R \$15) **PFP**
 Th 3/19 6:00-7:00pm 1211932-01

Spring Awakening

Ages 2-3 w/parent **1 Class**

It may still be chilly but there are signs that a warmer season is on the way. Get ready to spring into a new season with games and a blooming craft. *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$10 (N/R \$13) **PFP**
 F 3/20 9:30-10:15am 1111919-01

Camp Coyote Winter Break

Ages 5-9 **1 Class**

Campers will participate in groups for age-appropriate activities, hands-on exploration, and fun outside activities. Each day will be exciting and different. **Please bring a peanut-free snack and a drink. Boots and other winter gear are needed, along with a pair of indoor shoes.** *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$25 (N/R \$30) **PFP**

Week 1

M	12/23	9:00am-12:00pm	1211923-01
Th	12/26	9:00am-12:00pm	1211923-02
F	12/27	9:00am-12:00pm	1211923-03

Week 2

M	12/30	9:00am-12:00pm	1211923-04
Th	1/2	9:00am-12:00pm	1211923-05
F	1/3	9:00am-12:00pm	1211923-06

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Geneva Park District | 630-232-4542 | genevaparks.org

Tot & Youth Environmental Enrichment

Hibernation Station

New!

Ages 2-3

1 Class

It seems like all creatures sleep when we do, but some sleep through whole seasons! You're invited to get cozy as we explore the world of these sleepy animals. *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$10 (N/R \$13)

PFP

Tu 1/7 10:00-10:45am 1111913-01

A Day With Winnie the Pooh

Ages 3-4

1 Class

We love this willy, nilly, silly ole bear! Bring your favorite bear or another stuffed animal and join us for a celebration of everything Pooh! **Children must be accompanied by parent or guardian.** *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$10 (N/R \$13)

PFP

F 1/7 10:00-10:45am 1111912-01

Penguin Obstacle Course

Ages 6-7

1 Class

Waddle, belly flop, and flap your flippers in a quest to finish this wacky obstacle course. Only the very best will be crowned emperor penguins. *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$12 (N/R \$15)

PFP

Sa 1/18 10:00-11:00am 1211928-01

Great Lakes Wildlife

New!

Ages 8-10

1 Class

The area we live in is overflowing with animals, fish and other wildlife. Who's the biggest predator? What's the biggest fish in the Great Lakes? Why does a beaver slap his tail on the surface of the water? Join us as we do activities and play games to learn more about the wildlife around us. *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$17(N/R \$20)

PFP

Tu 1/21 6:00-7:30pm 1211937-01

Footprints in the Snow

New!

Ages 3-4 w/parent

1 Class

Animal tracks can be great inspirations for wonderful stories. What animal visited? Where did they go? Come explore the grounds as we look for evidence of animal visitors. **Please dress for the weather, as a portion of the program will be held outdoors.** *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$10 (N/R \$13)

PFP

Tu 2/4 10:00-10:45am 1111914-01

Spots for Tots

New!

Ages 18-30 months w/parent

1 Class

Jump into a world full of animals covered in spots, blots, and polka-dots! Bring your favorite stuffed animal to join in on the fun. **Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.** *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$10 (N/R \$13)

PFP

Th 2/6 9:30-10:15am 1111915-01

Bee My Valentine

Ages 5-6

1 Class

As honeybees huddle all winter, we'll make bee-utiful valentines to celebrate our love for the only insect that produces food for us. *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff*

\$12 (N/R \$15)

PFP

F 2/7 3:45-5:00pm 1211929-01

Bugs on Vacation

New!

Ages 5-7

1 Class

Barely any insects seem to be around in the winter months. Have you ever wondered why? Pack your bags into the world of bugs and learn just what they do when it's cold outside. *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$12 (N/R \$15)

PFP

Tu 2/11 4:00-5:00pm 1211931-01

Slime Time

Ages 6-7

1 Class

Ready for some sticky, slimy, gooey fun? We are going to get messy. Create your own slime, including a batch of glow in the dark slime, and learn about animals who can create their own. *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$18(N/R \$24)

PFP

Sa 2/15 10:00-11:30am 1211919-01

Winter Playdate

Ages 6-18 months w/parent

1 Class

The sights, sounds, and smells of nature are experiences for your child to explore. Child-directed free play in nature helps foster healthy development. A variety of nature materials will be provided for indoor exploration. **Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.** *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$5(N/R \$7)

PFP

W 2/19 9:30-10:00am 1111910-01

WINTER FUN AT PECK!

Afterschool Adventure Club **New!**

Ages 6-8

4 Classes

Studies have shown that children who play outside in challenging weather are more positive, more creative and more adaptable. Sign up for the Adventure Club to keep your child physically active while hiking, playing, learning, and exploring the outdoors. **Please dress for the weather.** *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff*

\$40(N/R \$52)

PFP

Th 1/9-1/30 3:45-5:15pm 1211935-01

Over and Under the Snow

Ages 4-5

1 Class

Under the snow is a secret kingdom and you are invited as a royal guest! Join in on the fun as we discover what animals live over and under the snow. **Please dress for the weather, as a portion of the program will be held outside.** *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$10 (N/R \$13)

PFP

F 2/21 10:00-11:00am 1111916-01

Snowbound Animals

New!

Ages 5-7

1 Class

Get to know all of the animals that like to play, hide and live in the cold and snow of Illinois. We will go on a walk to see if we can spot any of them enjoying the winter season. **Please dress for the weather, as a portion of the program will be held outside.** *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$12 (N/R \$15)

PFP

Sa 2/22 10:00-11:00am 1211936-01

Seussical Silliness

Ages 2-4 w/parent

1 Class

Come celebrate Dr. Seuss's 116th birthday! We'll read a little, you'll laugh a lot, and maybe learn a thing or two. **Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.** *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$10 (N/R \$13)

PFP

Tu 3/3 10:00-10:45am 1111904-01

Animal Hide and Seek

Ages 8-10

1 Class

Calling all masters of hide-and-seek! Many animal friends ran off and hid all around Peck, just waiting to be found before time runs out and they get too cold. **Bring a flashlight and dress for the weather.** *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$12(N/R \$15)

PFP

F 3/13 6:30-7:30pm 1211930-01





REAL RAPTORS



Indoor
Presentations!

January 25

11:00 am - 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Sunset Community Center

\$10 per person

Registration Code: 1611906

Register
Today!



SEE LIVE OWLS, FALCONS, AND HAWKS UP-CLOSE AND PERSONAL!

Learn about the lives of these amazing creatures, how human activity can unknowingly harm them, what checks and balances are in place to protect them, and what you can do to support these beautiful birds.

Presented by: Northern Illinois Raptor Rehab and Education Center.

Great for all ages! Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Environmental Enrichment - All Ages!

Weekend Adventure Time

Families

Grab the whole family and head to Peck to begin your weekend with some adventurous fun! Each session will be devoted to a different nature-themed topic, so be sure to attend them all. *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$5 per person

Sa	1/11	10:00-11:00am	1611911-01
Sa	2/8	10:00-11:00am	1611911-02
Sa	3/7	10:00-11:00am	1611911-03

PFP

New!
1 Class

Geneva Public Library Storytime

All Ages

Join us for exciting stories and activities presented by the staff of the Geneva Public Library. This is a free program with no registration required. *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

FREE

W	12/11	10:00-10:30am
W	1/8	10:00-10:30am
W	2/12	10:00-10:30am
W	3/11	10:00-10:30am

PFP

1 Class

MAJESTIC EAGLES

March 21 ~ 11:00 am - 12:00 pm ~

Sunset Community Center

\$10 per person

Pre-registration is recommended.

See a **LIVE**
eagle!



All ages!
Learn all about our
national bird, the
bald eagle!

NATURE FUN

For Teens

Nature Macramé

Ages 16+

New!

1 Class

You're invited to learn how to make a textile craft that people will "knot" believe you made yourself! **All supplies included.** *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$22(N/R \$27)

PFP

Sa	1/4	1:00-3:00pm	1411911-01
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Hot Glue Trees

Ages 16+

New!

1 Class

Make a one of a kind art piece with just paint and hot glue. It may not seem like much, but get ready to witness a striking piece come alive right before your eyes. **All supplies included.** *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$22(N/R \$27)

PFP

Th	1/30	6:30-8:00pm	1411909-01
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Nature Tiles

Ages 16+

New!

1 Class

Come let your creativity shine as we make clay tiles decorated with seeds, beans, and other simple materials you would not expect. **All supplies included.** *Instructor: Peck Farm Park Staff (TB/KB)*

\$22(N/R \$27)

PFP

Tu	2/18	6:30-8:00pm	1411910-01
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THE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE OF GENEVA & THE GENEVA PARK DISTRICT PRESENT AN

EARTH DAY

Celebration & Parade



CREATE
A PARADE
FLOAT!

EARTH DAY'S 50TH BIRTHDAY PARADE

Celebrate the 50th anniversary of Earth Day with a fun-filled parade!

CALLING EVERYONE - FAMILIES, SCOUT GROUPS, SCHOOL GROUPS, AND INDIVIDUALS!

- Showcase your creativity
- Build a parade float using recycled or re-purposed materials
- Prizes will be awarded

Please note: the event is a walking parade so please think about the use of people to push or pull your float. No vehicles will be allowed on the path. Parade begins at the athletic fields south of Peck Farm Park and follows the path ending in the Peck Farm Park parking lot.

All parade floats must be pre-registered.

To register, please use registration code 2611909-01

SAVE-THE-DATE!

Saturday, April 25
11:00 am - 3:00 pm
Peck Farm Park



LEARN FROM THE EXPERTS

What are LFE Classes?

The Learn from the Experts (LFE) classes are offered in partnership with the Geneva Park District, Forest Preserve District of Kane County, and the St. Charles Park District. **Please make sure you dress appropriately. Classes are oftentimes held outside where you will get muddy or wet.**

How to register for an LFE class?

All registration is through the Forest Preserve of Kane County. To register please email kccn@kaneforest.com or call 630-444-3190.

Windmills in the Fox Valley: A Cultural History and Tour

Age 18+ 1 class

Start the day with an indoor presentation at Creek Bend Nature Center, then caravan over to the Fabian Windmill for a personal tour of the interior workings of this authentic Dutch windmill. *Instructor: Mark Rivecco, Head Miller, Kane County Forest Preserve. (TB)*

\$10 per person

Sa 12/14 12:00-2:00pm

Creek Bend

Winter Tree I.D.

Ages 18+ 1 class

Learning to identify trees in winter is a valuable skill that allows one to utilize the many other characteristics, besides leaves, to determine a species. Start indoors with a review of basic tree identification then head outside to put your skills to the test. *Instructor: Ben Katzen, Naturalist, Forest Preserve of Kane County. (TB)*

\$10 per person

Sa 1/26 9:30-11:00 am

Creek Bend

BEEKEEPING

Beginning Beekeeping

Ages 18+

8 Classes

This course will provide you with all the information and skills needed to start and manage your own beehive. Learn how to start raising honeybees, seasonal management of hives and the use of bees for pollination and honey production. Class members will assemble a beehive and learn how these social insects work within the hive. The course text, *First Lessons In Beekeeping*, will be available at the first class. *Instructor: Charles Lorence (TB/KB)*

\$80(N/R \$93)

Th

1/23-3/12

7:00-9:00pm

PFP

1411902-01

Winter Wildlife Tracking

Age 18+

1 Class

We'll begin this interactive class indoors, with an overview of local fauna and tracking techniques, then head outdoors to practice what we've learned. You'll never look at 'bare' ground the same again. *Instructor: Pam Otto, Outreach Ambassador, St. Charles Park District. (TB)*

\$10 per person

Sa 2/1

10:00-11:30am

Creek Bend

Conservation@Home – Inviting Nature into Your Yard

Age 18+

1 Class

This program will cover a variety of techniques for transforming your yard, including the use of rain barrels, rain gardens, and the selection and use of native plants to solve yard problems. Participants will receive a butterfly attraction and identification pamphlet, a native plant guide, and the option of getting a free yard evaluation from the Conservation@Home team. *Instructor: Jim Kleinwachter, Conservation Foundation. (TB)*

\$10 per person

Sa 2/15

12:00-1:30 pm

Creek Bend