

Special Events



Magic Forest Halloween Hikes

Who: Daisy, Brownie, young Juniors
Location: Caldwell Nature Center, 430 West North Bend Rd. Cincinnati, OH 45216
Date: October 21 and 22, 2011
Time: Hikes start 8:00 pm for scouts. Hikes leave at 15 minute intervals. Each lasts about 1 hour.
Register by: On-line registration only. www.cincinnatiiparks.com. Call 321-6070 for more information
Fee: **\$ 7.50** per person. Each scout receives Frischs coupon for free childs' meal. Girls walk through a pumpkin-lit trail meeting costumed characters from nature and history. This is a non-scary holiday walk best suited to girls aged 5-10 years.

Maple in Mt. Airy

Who: All Scouts
Location: Oak Ridge Lodge, Mt. Airy Forest
Date: Saturday, March 3, 2012
Time: 9:00-11:15 a.m.; 9:30-11:45 a.m.; 11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
Register by: On-line registration only. www.cincinnatiiparks.com Call 321-6070 for more information.
Fee: **\$ 8** per person.
Girls enjoy a hay wagon ride to the Arboretum, where they interact with costumed sugar makers from the past. Along the way, they taste maple sap, sugar and syrup. Girls learn how trees produce sugar, and how people have tapped into this sugar source over the centuries. A free pancake breakfast is provided before your program begins.

Pancakes in the Woods

Who: All Scouts
Location: California Woods Nature Preserve, 5400 Kellogg Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45228
Date: Sunday, March 11, 2012
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. **NO REGISTRATION NEEDED.** Call 231-8678 for more information.
Fee: **\$ 6** for adults and **\$ 4** for children.
Celebrate the maple season! Enjoy pancakes and sausage grilled by celebrity chefs. Stay after breakfast to learn about the process and story of maple sugaring. Children's activities include crafts and games. All proceeds benefit California Woods and Magrish Riverlands Preserves.

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Cincinnati Park Board Nature Program Opportunities

Weekdays during after-school hours, your troop can schedule a program at one of our Nature Centers listed below or at any City of Cincinnati park location. Programs can be scheduled for up to two-hours in length depending on arrival time. \$5.00 per girl with extra fees for craft supplies if needed. Minimum fee equivalent to 15 scouts/paying adults. Fee does not include patches/badges. Leaders and Assistant Leaders are free. Chaperones beyond leaders are \$5.00. Requirements for many nature-oriented Brownie Try-Its, Junior Badges and Cadets/Senior Interest Projects can be fulfilled. Centers also have opportunities for community service projects for troops of all ages and can work with Gold Award candidates on projects.

To schedule a program date for your troop or to discuss program specifics, Call the Nature Center (listed below) most convenient to you.

Avon Woods Nature Center

4235 Paddock Rd. (Paddock Hills/Avondale)

513-861-3435

Provides hikes and activities in nature study local wildlife, outdoor skills and science topics such as weather. After school programs can be designed to meet Girl Scout badge requirements for all levels.

Caldwell Nature Center

430 West North Bend Rd. (Carthage/Hartwell)

513-761-4313

Provides hikes and activities in nature study, local wildlife, and Ohio Native Americans, geology, weather and stream studies. Other special programs: Brownie and Junior Girl Scout Overnights, Maple Sugaring (February only). After school programs can be designed to meet Girl Scout badge requirements for all levels.

California Woods Nature Center

5400 Kellogg Ave. (California/ Mt. Washington)

513-231-8678

Provides hikes and activities in nature study, and local wildlife. Other special program: Maple Sugaring (February only). After school programs can be designed to meet Girl Scout badge requirements for all levels.

LaBoiteaux Woods Nature Center

5400 Lanius Lane (College Hill/ Northside)

513-542-2909

Provides hikes and activities in nature study, local wildlife, compass and map skills and Native American life. After school programs can be designed to meet Girl Scout badge requirements for all levels.

Trailside Nature Center

3400 Brookline Drive (Clifton)

513-751-3679

Provides hikes and activities in nature study, local wildlife, astronomy and outdoor skills such as fishing and canoeing. All programs are designed to help meet Girl Scout badge requirements for all levels. Please call the Trailside Nature Center to schedule these particular programs.

Krohn Conservatory

1501 Eden Park Dr. (Eden Park)

513-352-4080 ext. 21

Tours available through the showroom, desert, tropical and orchid rooms of the greenhouse- Monday- Friday. Call to schedule.

Other Cincinnati Parks:
(Just a few of our 150 sites)

Alms Park (Mt. Lookout)
Ault Park (Hyde Park)
Buttercup Valley (Northside)
Drake Park (Pleasant Ridge)
Eden Park (Walnut Hills)
French Park (Amberly Village)
Mt. Airy Forest (Mt. Airy)
Mt. Echo Park (Price Hill)
Rapid Run Park (Price Hill)
Stanbery Park (Mt. Washington)

Naturalist programs can be scheduled at any Cincinnati Park Board Park.

Caldwell Nature Center Opportunities

430 W. North Bend Road (Carthage/Hartwell)
Cincinnati, OH 45216

Contact: Olivia Canada- Naturalist

Olivia.Canada@cincinnati-oh.gov

513-761-4313

513-321-6218 (fax)

To Register for Overnights:

No Overnight registrations will be accepted before September 1, 2011.

Paid registrations are accepted in the order they are received by mail. All programs are pre-paid and non –refundable. **Fees do not include patches/badges.**

We allow free chaperones according to the G.S. Guidelines: Two leaders are free for a troop of up to 12 Brownies. An additional free adult is allowed for every 6 additional Brownies. Juniors may have two free leaders for 16 girls and an additional adult for every 8 additional Juniors. Other adults are required to pay. All adults are expected to participate.

We can accept cash, money orders, cashier checks or credit cards. **Personal checks are no longer accepted including troop checks.** Money Orders/Cashier's checks are payable to "Treasurer, City of Cincinnati" and mail with the registration form (see Section H Caldwell Nature Center Overnights) to: GSO, Bettman Center, 4 Beech Lane, Cincinnati, OH 45208.

Junior Badge Overnight -TBA

Who: Junior Girl Scouts

Date: March 16-17, 2012

Time: 6:00 p.m. Friday- 4:00 p.m. Saturday

Fee: \$25/ child & for non-leader adults (non refundable)

Please go to www.cincinnati-parks.com or www.girlscoutsofwesternohio.org for exact badge content. We are waiting for the updated badges and requirements coming in Fall 2011. Patches are not provided. Troops must bring their own food.

It's Your Planet, Love It!: GET MOVING! Junior Journey Overnight

Who: Junior Girl Scouts
Date: December 2-3, 2011
January 13-14, 2011
Time: 6:00 p.m. Friday- 4:00 p.m. Saturday
Fee: \$25/ child & for non-leader adults (non refundable)

Girls will get energized about this journey. Scouts will be earning the Energize Award and Investigate Award. We will also help them get started with their leaders on a project to earn the Innovate award. This overnight will feature a night hike, different energy experiments indoors and out. Patches are not provided. Troops must bring their own food.

It's Your Planet, Love It!: WOW! Wonders of Water Brownie Journey Overnight

Who: Brownie Girl Scouts
Dates: November 11-12, 2011
March 9-10, 2011
Time: 6:00 p.m. Friday-2:30 p.m. Saturday
Fee: \$25/ child & for non-leader adults (non refundable)

Get ready to dive in and learn about the substance that makes our Earth unique, Water! Girls will be earning the "Love Water", "Save Water" and "Share Water" awards. We will also get the scouts and leaders started to earn their "WOW" award on their own. This overnight also includes a night hike and activities inside and outside focusing on the wonders of water. Patches are not provided. Troops must bring their own food.

Brownie Badge Overnight

Who: Brownie Girl Scouts
Date: January 27-28, 2012
Time: 6:00 p.m. Friday –2:30p.m. Saturday
Fee: \$25/ child & for non-leader adults (non refundable)

Please go to www.cincinnatiiparks.com or www.girlscoutsofwesternohio.org for exact badge content. We are waiting for the updated badges and requirements coming in Fall 2011. Patches are not provided. Troops must bring their own food.

It's Your Planet Love It!: Between Earth and Sky, Daisy Journey Overnight

Who: Daisy Girl Scouts and their Ladies (any woman role model in the Daisy's life)
Date: May 4-5, 2011
May 11-12, 2011
Time: 6:00 p.m. Friday- 2:30 p.m. Saturday
Fee: \$25/ child (non refundable)

Daisies and their Ladies will be learning about themselves and the great planet we live on, Earth. Girls will be earning their "The Blue Bucket Award", "The Firefly Award" and "The Clover Award". The overnight will also include a night hike and activities inside and outside. Girls will end the day creating their "Clover Project". All four patches are not provided. Troops must bring their own food.

Trailside Nature Center Opportunities

3400 Brookline Dr. (Clifton/ Burnet Woods)
Cincinnati, OH 45220

Contact: Michael George- Naturalist
michael.george@cincinnati-oh.gov
513-751-3679

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To Register for Programs:

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Please contact the Trailside Nature Center regarding reservations and program payment.

Sky Search for Junior Scouts

Tuesday, October 11, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, November 8, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Saturday, December 3, 10:00 a.m. - noon
Tuesday, December 6, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Monday, January 9, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Monday, January 23, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Monday, January 30, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Monday, February 6, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Monday, February 13, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, March 13, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, March 27, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 17, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Cost: \$5.00 per scout. **Space is limited; please call 751-3679 for reservations.**

The Wolff Planetarium, the oldest planetarium west of the Allegheny's, will be the focus of this exciting program as we learn about constellations, planets and phases of the moon. Scouts will participate in hands-on activities, learn how to use star maps and find their way by using the North Star.

LaBoiteaux Woods Nature Center Opportunities

5400 Lanius Lane (College Hill), Cincinnati, OH 45224 513-542-2909, 513-321-6218 (fax)

Contact: Pat Agnew-Naturalist pat.agnew@cincinnati-oh.gov

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California Woods Nature Center Opportunities

5400 Kellogg Avenue
Cincinnati, OH 45228

Contact: Gia Giammarinaro – Naturalist

gia.giammarinaro@cincinnati-oh.gov

513-231-8678 (phone); 513-321-6218 (fax)

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Eco-Explorer Badge for Brownies

Who: Brownies

Date: Wednesday, Sept. 28, 2011

Time: 4:30-6:00 p.m.

Fee: \$5.00 per scout and chaperone, leaders free

Have your troop earn their Try-it in the beauty of California Woods Nature Preserve. Girls will learn about habitats, local wildlife, go on a scavenger hunt hike and more. Reservations required by September 21, 2011.

Your Outdoor Surroundings Badge for Jr. Girl Scouts

Who: Junior

Date: Thursday, October 13, 2011

Time: 4:30-6:00 p.m.

Fee: \$5.00

What better place to obtain an Outdoors badge than a Nature Preserve? Have your troop join others as we learn about nature, hiking in the woods and protecting the environment. Reservations required by October 6, 2011.

Daisy Scout Fun!

Who: Daisy Scouts

Date: Saturday, December 3, 2011

Time: 10:00a.m. – 12:00p.m.

Fee: \$5.00 per scout and chaperone, leaders free

Work towards those petals while we do fun activities to help Daisy Scouts learn to conserve resources (Green), which will of course make the world a better place (Rose). We will plant a mini-garden and learn “what’s in the bag.” Dress for the weather, we even plan to take a short hike! If you like, bring a sack lunch and enjoy your meal in our nature center while viewing our bird feeding station. Reservations required by November 28, 2011.

Maple Magic for Girl Scouts

Who: Daisies, Brownies, Juniors, Cadets

Dates: Saturday, February 11 **OR** Saturday, February 18, 2012

Time: 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Fee: \$6.00 per scout, leader and chaperone

Spend your morning learning the history and mystery of Ohio’s first sweet product, maple sugar! We will tap maple trees, collect sap, and learn how to turn it into that sweet stuff we all know so well. After all that work, come inside and enjoy real maple syrup product tastings! Reservations required, and space is limited, please register early.

Bridging to Brownies: Outdoor Adventurer

Who: Daisy Scouts

Date: Thursday, March 22, 2012

Time: 4:30 – 6:00p.m.

Fee: \$5.00 per scout and chaperone, leaders free

Try your hand at some fun Brownie activities such as “Day Hike” and “Touch, Smell, Listen,” while we explore the great outdoors. We will make a snack, take a hike, and use our senses on this adventure. Reservations required by March 16.

Cincinnati Parks' Girl Scout Programs
Girl Scouts of Western Ohio

For more information on program opportunities, call 513-321-6070.

Troop #: _____	Age Level: _____	Service Unit: _____
Contact Name: _____		
Contact's Address: _____	Zip: _____	
Contact's Home Phone: _____	Work Phone: _____	
Contact's Email Address: _____		

Our troop would like to register for the following program:

Name of Program: _____

Date of Program: _____

Location of Program: _____

_____ X \$ _____ = \$ _____
of scouts fee per scout total amount enclosed

Mail form and payment to: Bettman Natural Resources Center Attn: Girl Scout Programs 4 Beech Lane Cincinnati, Ohio 45208

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