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# Feature

## Parks, Recreation and Open Space

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### **WINTER SCAVENGER HUNT, MOONLIGHT ADVENTURES AND SLEIGH RIDES AND CIDER AT PARKS IN DECEMBER**

#### **Saturday, December 7, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. – I’m Rarely Seen Anymore**

Learn about local endangered species and what you can do to help at the [Lake Crabtree County Park](#). This workshop is designed for educators but is open to anyone wanting to learn more about extinction. This is a free, adult program and is eligible for Criteria III credit for North Carolina Environmental Education Certification. Meet at the White Oak Shelter. Registration is required. To register, call 919-460-3390. Lake Crabtree is located at 1400 Aviation Parkway, Morrisville.

#### **Saturday, December 7, 1-4 p.m. – Homemade Holidays**

This season make unique gifts inspired by the history of [Historic Yates Mill County Park](#). Create greeting cards and weave a Dutch Heart to fill with a special surprise. Children ages six and under must be accompanied by an adult. The cost is \$4 per person. Registration is required. To register, call 919-856-6675. Historic Yates Mill County Park is located at 4620 Lake Wheeler Road, Raleigh.

#### **Saturday, December 7, 5-7:30 p.m. – Sleigh Rides and Cider**

Get in the holiday spirit at [Historic Oak View County Park's](#) Sleigh Rides and Cider. “Christmas at the Oak View Farm: How they celebrated from 1850 to 1950” exhibits will be on display in the Main House. Ride in a horse-drawn carriage through Oak View’s luminary-lit Pecan Grove, drink hot apple cider, listen to holiday stories, buy hand-made holiday crafts and visit with Old St. Nick. People are invited to donate new clothing, toiletries or canned goods to benefit [InterAct of Wake County](#). This event is free. For more information, call 919-250-1013. Historic Oak View County Park is located at 4028 Carya Drive, Raleigh.

#### **Saturday, December 14, 2-3:30 p.m. – Green and on the Scene**

Join [Blue Jay Point County Park](#) staff for an outdoor adventure of hunting winter plants and trees. All participants must be independently mobile or in child backpacks. No strollers please. The program fee is \$3 per person or \$5 per family. Registration is required. To register, call 919-870-4330. Blue Jay Point County Park is located at 3200 Pleasant Union Church Road, Raleigh.

#### **Sunday, December 15, 2-3 p.m. – Winter Wrap Up**

Winter is a great time to explore nature at the [Crowder District Park](#) and learn how to identify tracks, explore conifers and drink pine needle tea. Observe snow and ice through hands-on science experiments. This program is for all ages. The fee is \$5 per family, and registration is required. To register, call 919-662-2850. Crowder District Park is located at 4709 Ten-Ten Road, Apex.

**Sunday, December 15, 2-3:30 p.m. – Winter Scavenger Hunt**

Hone your observation skills as you search for signs of wildlife and other winter wonders on the [American Tobacco Trail](#). Meet at the New Hill parking. The program fee is \$5 per family or \$3 per individual. Please register at least two days in advance. Bring a water bottle and dress for the weather. To register, call 919-387-2117. American Tobacco Trail is located at 1309 New Hill-Olive Chapel Road, New Hill.

**Tuesday, December 17, 5-6:30 p.m. – Moonlight Meander**

Let the full moon guide the way as we explore the [Harris Lake County Park](#) after dark. Bring a flashlight, comfortable walking shoes and a water bottle, and dress accordingly for the weather. Meet at the Loblolly Shelter. The program fee is \$5 per family or \$3 per individual. Register at least two days in advance. To register, call 919-387-4342. Harris Lake County Park is located at 2112 County Park Drive, New Hill.

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