



Community Feature

Parks, Recreation and Open Space

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ART PROJECTS, POISON IVY AND FOXES AT PARKS IN MAY

Tuesday, April 29; Wednesday, April 30; Thursday, May 1; 1-4 p.m. – Track Out Days: Habitat Helpers

Join [Crowder District Park](#) to learn how to keep nature green and clean. Make paper and a compost bin while learning the important role trees play in the community. Participate in hands-on science experiments to learn about pollution and the dangers facing wildlife today. Children in grades K-5 will participate in curriculum-correlated activities together and by grade-level. Registration is required and the fee is \$12 per day or \$30 for all three days. Crowder District Park is located at 4709 Ten-Ten Road, Apex.

Saturday, May 3, 1 p.m. – Film Screening of “*Kit Kittredge: An American Girl*”

[Historic Oak View County Park](#) invites the public to watch “*Kit Kittredge: An American Girl*.” The movie is based on the “American Girl” series of dolls and books, in which a young girl, Kit, is living in the struggles of the Great Depression. Bring your American Girl doll and enjoy free popcorn and lemonade. The event is free. Historic Oak View County Park is located at 4028 Cary Drive, Raleigh.

Saturday, May 3, 1-5 p.m. – Art in the Park: The Earth Laughs in Flowers

Get inspired by [Historic Yates Mill County Park](#)’s natural beauty and contribute to a community art project that celebrates the spring season of flowers. The project’s location will depend on the weather. Go to the park’s Finley Center reception desk to find out where it will take place or call the park ahead of time. All ages are welcome to this free community activity. Registration is not required. Historic Yates Mill County Park is located at 4620 Lake Wheeler Road, Raleigh.

Saturday, May 3, 2-3:30 p.m. – Family Wildlife Series: “Leaves of Three”

Come to [Blue Jay Point County Park](#) and learn about one of nature’s most notorious plants, poison ivy. Each family will make a poison ivy bandana to take home and learn the tricks for staying free of the itch from poison ivy. Registration is required for this program and the fee is \$3 per person or \$5 per family. For information, call 919-870-4330. Blue Jay Point County Park is located at 3200 Pleasant Union Church Road, Raleigh.

Friday, May 16, 7-8 p.m. – What Does the Fox Say?

Join the [American Tobacco Trail](#) staff for an evening exploring what foxes actually say with an in-depth look at foxes. Listen to other popular songs and stories about foxes, see a fox mount and hear their calls. This program is for all ages and the fee is \$5 per family. To register, call 919-387-4342 or email harris.lake@wakegov.com. Meet at the White Oak Parking Area, 1305 White Oak Church Road, Apex. The American Tobacco Trail is located at 1309 New Hill-Olive Chapel Road, New Hill.

Sunday, May 18, 2-3:30 p.m. – Numerous Newts

[Harris Lake County Park](#) is home to the Red-spotted Newt, an aquatic salamander with an interesting life cycle. “Net for newts” in one of the ponds and create a newt craft. This program is for all ages and the fee is \$5 per family. To register, call 919-387-4342 or email harris.lake@wakegov.com. Meet at the Amphitheater. Harris Lake County Park is located at 2112 County Park Drive, New Hill.

Saturday, May 24, 8-10 p.m. – Spider Sniffing

Come to [Lake Crabtree County Park](#) for a hike around the Old Beech Nature Trail. Meet with park staff at dusk to learn what the bumps in the night really are and discover the secret art of “spider-sniffing.” This program requires registration and the cost is \$3 per person and \$5 per family. Call 919-460-3355 for details. Lake Crabtree is located at 1400 Aviation Parkway, Morrisville.

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