



Roaring Brook Nature Center

70 Gracey Road, Canton CT www.roaringbrook.org 860.693.0263

Nature Center Hours: Tuesday—Saturday 10 am—5 pm; Sundays 1—5 pm

Trails through Werner's Woods are open daily until dusk

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Programs & Events — Spring 2018

The Wonderful, Wacky Wood Frog

Monday, March 26 10 am – 4 pm

The wood frogs are waking up from their long winter's frozen nap. Join us as we celebrate these remarkable creatures. Take a hike to our vernal pool to listen to their spring 'quacking' and make wood frog crafts.

Free with admission to Nature Center.

Eggs, Eggs, Eggs! Spring Scavenger Hunt

Friday, March 30 anytime 10 am — 4 pm

Saturday, March 31 anytime 10 — 4 pm

Sunday, April 1 anytime 1 — 4 pm

Spring is the season of eggs – bird eggs, frog eggs, turtle eggs, fish eggs! Learn about the animals that laid them and the nests they have built to hold them. Find the hidden "nests" around the Nature Center, then head out on the trails on a scavenger hunt to see where eggs will be laid this spring.

Free with admission to the Nature Center.

Vernal Pool Walk / Amphibians Program

Thursday, April 5 7:00 — 8:30 pm

Join us for a program on the amphibians that inhabit vernal pools followed by a walk to local wetlands to view nocturnal wildlife. Not geared for very young children.

Cost: \$5 members; \$7 nonmembers

Pre-registration required - space is limited.

Spring Fever!

Vacation Program for Grades K - 5

**Monday, April 9 – Friday April 13
9 am – Noon**

How do animals know that spring has arrived? Join us for a week of morning fun & exploration in forest, field and pond. Spend vacation mornings looking for wildlife at Roaring Brook Nature Center.

Daily Rate: \$35 members, \$40 nonmembers

Full Week: \$165 members, \$190 nonmembers

Pre-registration with payment is required

Spring is for Babies

**Wednesday – Saturday, April 11 — 14
anytime 1 — 4 pm**

Spring is in the air and it's time for babies! Join us in the afternoons, Wednesday to Saturday for games and crafts that are all about wild babies, their habitats, families, and diet.

Bring a baby shower gift donation from our **Amazon Wishlist** to enter for a chance to attend a rehabbed animal release or private tour of our wildlife clinic.

Free with admission to the Nature Center.

Sunday Baby Shower

April 15, anytime 1 — 4 pm

Join us on Sunday for a baby shower to benefit the orphaned wildlife that come to the Roaring Brook Nature Center for care.

Enjoy an animal demonstration with "Roger" the baby box turtle, hear a 30-minute presentation at 2 pm about what to do when you encounter wildlife babies, and play games inspired by our wild friends!

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Free with admission to Nature Center.

Earth Day at the Nature Center

Sunday, April 22 1 – 4 pm

There has been a lot of construction activity at the Nature Center over the past few months.

Visit us to see our exciting changes!

Admission free to the Nature Center on Earth Day

Weekend Bird Walks

Saturdays, April 28, May 5, May 19 7 — 9 am

An early morning walk through Werner's Woods provides welcome sights and sounds for beginning birders as well as for those with more experience in the field. Bird walks are not geared for younger children. Bring binoculars and dress for wet ground underfoot.

Cost: \$5 members; \$7 nonmembers

Annual Mother's Day Wildflower Talk & Walk

MOTHER'S DAY, Sunday, May 13

Talk 1 pm — 2 pm

Walk 2 pm — 2:30 pm

Connecticut has a myriad of spring wildflowers. Find out why they bloom in the spring, where to find them, how they got their names and what makes these plants so special. Join us for a special lecture from 1 pm to 2 pm and at 2 pm for a guided walk through our native plant gardens looking for wildflowers. Geared for all ages.

Cost: \$4 members; \$6 nonmembers. **Moms admitted free.**

Pre-registration required.

Nature Center is closed for Memorial Day May 28

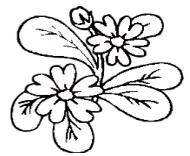
Trails open dawn to dusk

Gardening for Wildlife

Friday evening, June 1 6:30—7:30 pm

Learn how you can create a garden that brings birds, bees, butterflies, and frogs to your yard and that will help sustain our wild areas.

Cost: \$5 per person. **Pre-registration required.**



Flatbread Pizza Night Fundraiser

for the Nature Center



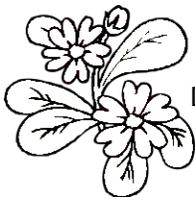
**Tuesday, April 17
5 — 8:30 pm**



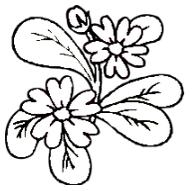
**Bring your friends, bring your family
for dinner or get a pizza to go!**

A percentage of the pizza sales
supports the Nature Center

Flatbread's is located at
The Shoppes at the Farmington Valley



SPRING DISCOVERY DAYS



Discovery Days, the Nature Center's enrichment series for children in pre-school & grades K and up, continues through the spring season with a brand new series of programs.

The cost of each four week session is \$40 for members, \$50 for nonmembers unless noted. A \$10 discount is extended to families with a second child attending during the same time period.

EXPLORING TOGETHER

For children age 3—5 and a parent

This series introduces pre-school children to seasonal changes in the natural world and gives parent (or caregiver) and child an opportunity to learn together. A younger sibling may attend for a \$10 discount, no charge for siblings under age 2. Much of this program is held outdoors, please dress accordingly.

Friday afternoons 1:15—2:15 pm

Spring Session I: March 16, 23, 30; April 6

Spring Session II: April 20, 27; May 4, 11

Spring Session III: May 18, 25; June 1, 8

EXPLORATIONS for Grades K-3

Enrichment programs for elementary school-age youngsters

Wednesday afternoons from 3:45-5 pm

Spring Session I: March 14, 21, 28; April 4

Spring Session II: April 18, 25; May 2, 9

Spring Session III: May 16, 23, 30; June 6

EXPLORATIONS TOO! for Grades 3—5

Thursday afternoons from 3:45 to 5 pm

Pull the children away from the screen & get them outside!

The Nature Center program is designed to spark excitement for outdoor adventures.

Spring Session I: March 15, 22, 29; April 5

Spring Session II: April 19, 26, May 3, 10

Spring Session III: May 17, 24, 31; June 7

Birthday Parties

at the
Nature Center



The Nature Center offers children's birthday parties on selected weekday afternoons & Saturdays.

\$150 members, \$175 nonmembers.

Preregistration & \$30 non-refundable deposit required.

Register early!

Look How We've Changed!

Thanks to the generous donations of our supporters the Nature Center has spent the fall & winter under construction to grow, improve, and also change the look, but not the feel, of Roaring Brook Nature Center.

Renovations included new bird of prey & wildlife enclosures, a "Discovery Classroom" & exhibit area, a new front entrance way, and a state-of-the art wildlife rehabilitation clinic.

Come for a visit and a tour of this exciting project!

APRIL VACATION WEEK PROGRAM for GRADES K-5

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Scout Programs



Daisy / Girl Scout & Cub / Boy Scout leaders will find that numerous badge requirements may be fulfilled by a visit to the Nature Center.

Visit roaringbrook.org or call 860.693.0263 to learn more.

SUMMER Discovery Days Registration Now Open!



Give your kids a breath of fresh air this summer with Discovery Days programs at the Nature Center!

Summer program information is now available on roaringbrook.org

