

## Clubs & Societies

### AMOS BUTLER AUDUBON SOCIETY

Join ABAS members during their monthly programs and morning bird hikes. Beginning birders welcome!

Public Programs: Tuesdays, Jan. 9, Feb. 13, Mar. 12, Apr. 9, and May 14 at 7:30 pm

### CENTRAL INDIANA BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION

CIBA communicates and shares beekeeping knowledge and trends in Marion and Hamilton counties.

Tuesdays, Jan. 16 and Feb. 20  
Mondays, Mar. 18, Apr. 15, and May 20 at 6:30 pm

### CENTRAL INDIANA WILDERNESS CLUB

Founded in 1982, CIWC is a nonprofit volunteer-run club organized to provide education and affordable wilderness adventures.

Wednesdays, Jan. 24 and Apr. 10 at 6:30 pm

### FALL CREEK GARDEN CLUB

The Fall Creek Garden Club (FCGC) promotes knowledge and love of gardening. Members are great resources for native plants, landscape design, invasive plant management, conservation, and floral arrangements.

Mondays, Feb. 12 and Mar. 11 at 1 pm  
Tuesday, Apr. 9 at 1 pm

### HOOSIER HERPETOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Hoosier Herp. is dedicated to the education of its members and the conservation of all reptiles and amphibians.

Wednesdays, Jan. 17, Feb. 21, Mar. 20, and Apr. 17 at 7 pm

### NATURAL HISTORY BOOK CLUB

This monthly program offers adults a chance to learn about nature and environmental issues through the words of different nature authors.

Fridays, Jan. 12, Feb. 9, Mar. 8, Apr. 12, and May 10 at 10 am

### THOREAU STUDY GROUP

Take part in examining the deeper aspects of Henry David Thoreau's *Walden* and explore its significance for today's rapidly changing world.

Tuesdays, Jan. 2, Jan. 16, Feb. 6, Feb. 20, Mar. 5, Mar. 19, Apr. 2, Apr. 23, May 14, and May 28 at 10 am

## Youth & Family Programs

### BEASTLY BRUNCH

Get an up-close look at a selection of our animal ambassadors and experience a live feeding during Beastly Brunch. No registration required and free!

Wednesdays, Jan. 10, Feb. 14, Mar. 13, Apr. 10, and May 8 at 11:30 am

### CREATE & DECORATE

Use natural materials to make unique crafts during this hands-on workshop. All materials are provided. Registration required. \$10/craft  
Saturday, Apr. 6 at 1 pm

### CREATURE FEATURE

We'll spotlight one of the Nature Center's animal ambassadors and learn how we keep them happy and healthy. No registration required and free!

Saturdays, Jan. 20, Feb. 17, Apr. 20, and May 18 at 10 am

### FAMILY CREEK EXPLORATION

Participants will have loads of fun getting muddy while exploring the creatures that live in the park's waterways. Registration required. \$5/person  
Saturdays, Apr. 27 and May 25 at 1:30 pm

### FRIDAY NIGHT CAMPFIRE

Join us for a fun Friday night around the campfire. Enjoy a sweet treat by the fire, learn about something new, and experience night hiking!

Registration required. \$7/person  
Fridays, Apr. 5, Apr. 26, and May 24 at 6:30 pm

### HOMESCHOOL EXPLORERS

Nature is the perfect teacher for your homeschool children, ages 5-12. Each month will cover a new topic and include a naturalist-led talk, hands-on activity, and a hike. Registration required. \$5/child

Thursdays, Jan. 18, Feb. 15, Mar. 21, Apr. 18, and May 16 at 1 pm

### SMALL WONDERS

Each class introduces a new topic through hands-on activities, hikes, storytime, and crafts. Classes are designed for ages 3-5 and their caregiver.

Registration required. \$5/child  
Tuesdays, Jan. 16, Feb. 20, Mar. 19, Apr. 16, and May 21 at 10 am



To register, visit  
[www.indyparks.org](http://www.indyparks.org)  
or call 317-327-PARK.

## Nature Hikes

### HIKE WITH A NATURALIST

You never know what you'll find, but you'll always find beauty and learn something. Wear good shoes and bring binoculars if you have them! Free!  
Saturdays, Jan. 13, Feb. 10, Mar. 9, and May 11 at 10 am

### MORNING BIRD WALK

Join Amos Butler Audubon Society on a monthly morning bird hike. Bring binoculars if you have them. Free!  
Tuesdays, Jan. 16, Feb. 20, and Mar. 19 at 8:30 am  
Tuesdays, Apr. 16 and May 21 at 8 am

### NATURE OF TREES

Hike with a naturalist and learn about different native trees in the park and how to identify them! Free!  
Saturdays, Apr. 13, Apr. 20, Apr. 27, May 4, May 11, and May 18 at 11 am

### SPRING WILDFLOWER HIKE

Join Norma Wallman, author of *Wildflowers of Holliday Park*, for a leisurely spring hike to see what's blooming. Registration required. \$10/person  
Saturday, April 13 at 10 am and Friday, April 19 at 1 pm

## Holliday Park Trail Run

The Holliday Park Trail Run includes fun events for the whole family Friday evening, and both a 5-mile run and a 3-mile hike on Saturday morning. Participants will scramble, run, jump, ford, climb or walk along the trails of Holliday Park, Blickman Park, White River, and Williams Creek. Participants will be challenged by uneven terrain, hills, stairs, mud, rocks, roots, and maybe even some water!

[www.hollidaypark.org/trail-run](http://www.hollidaypark.org/trail-run)

Friday, Mar. 15 at 6 pm (kids)  
Saturday, Mar. 16 at 9 am

Photo by Casey Cronin



## The Ice Rink

Bundle up around the fire or skate the Ruins at our outdoor winter wonderland, open until the end of February. Stop by for an open skate session, Learn to Skate and Learn to Play Hockey, or rent the rink for your next private event. Full schedule and tickets may be found at [www.hollidaypark.org/rink](http://www.hollidaypark.org/rink)

### CREATE & SKATE

Start in the Nature Center with a hands-on winter craft workshop before a fun afternoon on the ice. All materials are provided. Ages 12+. Registration required. \$15/craft  
Saturday, Feb. 3 at 1:30 pm

### FRIDAY NIGHT CAMPFIRE

Enjoy a sweet treat by the fire, learn about something new, and finish up the evening on the ice rink. Roasting sticks, s'mores, and skates provided! Registration required. \$15/person  
Fridays, Jan. 26 and Feb. 23 at 6:30 pm



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## Volunteer Opportunities

### VOLUNTEER NATURALIST TRAINING

Monthly trainings prepare volunteers to lead groups during environmental field trips, programs, and events.  
Tuesdays, Jan. 9, Feb. 13, Mar. 12, Apr. 9, and May 14 at 10 am

### GARDEN & GROW WORKSHOPS

Join a team of volunteers who help maintain and improve the gardens of Holliday Park alongside horticulturalists Chris Turner and Kelly Frank. Refreshments provided.  
Fridays, through Nov. 3 at 9 am

### TRAIL TROOPERS

Roll up your sleeves for a morning of cleanup, trash removal, and weed wrangling. Dress for the weather, and don't forget your gloves!  
Saturdays, Feb. 24, Mar. 9, Apr. 6, and May 4 at 10 am

## Sap to Syrup

Help us celebrate the magic of maple trees! Stop by anytime between 10 am - 2 pm to journey around to different maple discovery stations learning how to make maple syrup. Try a syrup taste test, complete a craft, and enjoy a delicious Sugar Makers' Sundae (trust us, you'll love it!). Registration required for each family member ages 3 and up. \$10/person

Saturday, Mar. 2 from 10 am - 2 pm

Did you know: Over 40 gallons of sugar maple sap is required to produce just one gallon of maple syrup.

## Holliday Park 2024 Winter/Spring Program Guide January-May

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