



Byron Forest Preserve Programs

Jarrett Prairie Center ~ January - May 2019

Special Events

Maple Syrup Festival - March 16 - 8-11am - Free Tours (fee for breakfast)

Annual Easter Egg Hunt - April 20 - 11am Sharp!

Bald Hill Big Tree Arbor Day Event - April 27 - 10am-Noon

Home School Classes - \$5/person - 10am-2pm - Ages 6-13

Five Senses: Sight - Jan. 17 or 18

Five Senses: Touch - Feb. 14 or 15

Five Senses: Sound - Apr. 11 or 12

Five Senses: Taste - Mar. 7 or 8

Five Senses: Smell - May 9 or 10

Cross Country Skiing Classes - \$5/person inc. equipment - Ages 6 and up (under 10 with parent) - weather permitting

Thursdays - 1-3pm - Jan. 3, 10, 24, 31 and Feb. 7, 21, 28

Fridays - 9am-Noon - Jan. 4, 11, 25 and Feb. 1, 8, 22

Saturday Evenings - 6-9pm - Jan. 26 and Feb. 9, 23

Astronomy Programs - Weiskopf Observatory (drop in anytime during program times)

Public Sky Viewing - Free - Dusk until 2 hours after dark - Every Saturday (weather permitting)

Jan. 5, 12, 19, 26; Feb. 2, 9, 16, 23; Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; Apr. 6, 13, 20, 27; May 4, 11, 18, 25

Lunar Eclipse Viewing - Jan. 20 - Free - 8:30pm-Midnight - All ages

Astronomy at Bald Hill Prairie Preserve - Apr. 26 - 7-10pm - Free - Ages 6 and up

Winter Lecture Series - Free - 2pm - Sundays - Adults Only

Corn: How It Changed Itself and Then Changed Everything Else - Feb. 10

Restoring Soil Habitats to Rebuild Biodiversity and Prairie Ecosystems - Feb. 17

Much More Than Just The Jarrett Prairie: The Many Natural Areas of the Byron Forest Preserve - Feb. 24

Charles Darwin: Journey of Discovery - Mar. 3

The Secret Life of Paleo-Indians - Mar. 10

General Programs

Beekeeping Workshops - Jan. 13, Feb. 10, Mar. 10, Apr. 14, May 19 - 2-4pm - \$2/person

Winter Night Hikes - Jan. 19, Feb. 16 - 6-8:30pm - Free - Ages 6 and up

Bald Hill Winter Walking Tour - Jan. 19 - 10am-Noon - Free - Ages 10 and up

Groundhog Day Animal Tracking - Feb. 2 - 10-11:30am - Free - Ages 6 and up

Fall Preschool Registration - Feb. 4-8/current students & siblings; Feb. 11-15/Byron residents; Feb. 19/open

Fossil Hunt (at the quarry) - Apr. 13 - 10am-1pm (drop in anytime) - Free - Ages 6 and up

Beginning Fly Fishing - Apr. 23 & 25 - 5:30-7:30pm - \$10/person - Ages 12 and up

Rock Hounding at Bald Hill Prairie Preserve - May 4 - 9-10:30am - Free - Ages 8 and up

Creek Walk at Howard Colman Hall Creek Preserve - May 11 - 9-10:30am - Free - Ages 8 and up

Hunter Safety Education - TBA

Unless otherwise noted, all programs and events are held in or near the Jarrett Prairie Center located at 7993 North River Road, Byron, Illinois. To register, call 815-234-8535 ext. 200 or visit us online at: byronforestpreserve.com - byronpreschool.com - prairieviewgolf.com. Find us on Facebook and Twitter!