



## Scout Skills

You don't have to be a scout to learn and benefit from traditional scout skills. Whether it's tying knots and lashings or using a map and compass, Raven Run's

Scout Skills program will benefit kids from all walks of life. This program is designed for boys and girls ages 10 years and older. **Our Scout Skills program is scheduled for 10 a.m. on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month on the following dates.**

January 21	July 15
February 18	August 19
March 18	September 16
April 15	October 21
May 20	November 18
June 17	December 16

## Volunteer Saturday

Raven Run is looking for a few good volunteers on the **1<sup>st</sup> Saturday** of most months! Individuals are needed to help with invasive plant removal, trail maintenance and more. Please dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes and work gloves. Volunteers should come to the Nature Center at 10 a.m.

and stay as long as your schedule permits. For additional information, call the park at (859) 272-6105.



**Raven Run** is a 734-acre nature sanctuary dedicated to preserving the natural beauty of the Kentucky River Palisades and early Kentucky history. Over 10 miles of hiking trails provide access to streams, meadows and woodlands characteristic of the Bluegrass. Numerous 19th century remnants of early settlers, as well as over 600 species of plants and 200 species of birds, allow visitors to become acquainted with and appreciate the natural world.

We hope that you enjoy your visit to Raven Run. For your safety and enjoyment these rules have been established:

- Please register at the Nature Center
- No hiking off trails
- No pets
- No alcohol
- No bicycles
- No camping
- No fires
- No collection, defacement, or destruction of anything living or non-living in the sanctuary
- No wading or hiking in the creeks
- No picnicking, except in designated areas
- You must wear shoes
- You must be off the trails 30 minutes before the sanctuary closes
- Being in the sanctuary after hours will result in a citation for trespassing

## Hours of Operation

**November – March**  
9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Trails close at 4:30 p.m.

**April and October**  
9 a.m. – 6 p.m.  
Trails close at 5:30 p.m.

**May and September**  
9 a.m. – 7 p.m.  
Trails close at 6:30 p.m.

**June, July, and August**  
9 a.m. – 8 p.m.  
Trails close at 7:30 p.m.

**Closed on:**  
Thanksgiving  
Christmas Eve  
Christmas Day  
The Day After Christmas

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# 2017

# Program Calendar

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## January 2017

**1<sup>st</sup> – First Hike of the New Year – 1 p.m.**

Start the New Year off right by joining us at Raven Run for an hour-long hike.

**28<sup>th</sup> – Owl Prowl – 6 p.m.**

Join us as we listen and look for owls.

## February

**11<sup>th</sup> – Salamander Search – 1 p.m.**

Search for salamanders in Raven Run Creek.

**18<sup>th</sup> – Salamander Search – 1 p.m.**

## March

**3<sup>rd</sup> – Woodcock Watch – 5:30 p.m.**

Join us as we search for the elusive woodcock.

**17<sup>th</sup> – Woodcock Watch 6:45 p.m.**

**25<sup>th</sup> – Earth Hour Stargazing – 8:15 p.m.**

Celebrate Earth Hour at Raven Run. No lights but the stars! (Flashlights are OK!)

## April

**3<sup>rd</sup> – Spring Break – 10 a.m. – noon**

“Wonderful Wildlife” – Youth K-5<sup>th</sup> grade can join us to learn about Kentucky wildlife.

**5<sup>th</sup> – Spring Break – 10 a.m. – noon**

“Birds, Birds, Birds” – Youth K-5<sup>th</sup> grade can join us to learn all about birds.

**7<sup>th</sup> – Spring Break – 10 a.m. – noon**

“Creek Creatures” – Youth K-5<sup>th</sup> grade can join us to learn about the critters in our creeks.

**15<sup>th</sup> – Spring Wildflowers – 1 p.m.**

Come see the breathtaking display of our spring wildflowers.

**22<sup>nd</sup> – Stargazing – 8:30 p.m.**

View the night sky with the Bluegrass Amateur Astronomy Club.

**23<sup>rd</sup> – Spring Wildflowers – 1 p.m.**

## May

**13<sup>th</sup> – Birds of the Bluegrass – 8 a.m.**

Join us for a morning bird walk to look for the many migratory birds of spring.

**27<sup>th</sup> – Little Explorers – 10 a.m.**

“All About Birds” – Youth K-5<sup>th</sup> can join us to learn about our fine feathered friends.

**27<sup>th</sup> – Stargazing – 9 p.m.**

## June

**10<sup>th</sup> – Little Explorers – 10 a.m.**

“Wildlife Hike” – Youth K-5<sup>th</sup> can join us to learn about the wildlife of Kentucky.

**17<sup>th</sup> – Creatures of the Night – 8:30 p.m.**

Come learn about the habits and folklore of wildlife active at night.

**24<sup>th</sup> – Stargazing – 9:15 p.m.**

## July

**8<sup>th</sup> – Creatures of the Night – 9 p.m.**

**22<sup>nd</sup> – Stargazing – 9 p.m.**

**29<sup>th</sup> – Little Explorers – 10 a.m.**

“Insect Search” – Youth K-5<sup>th</sup> grade can join us to search for and learn about insects.

## August

**5<sup>th</sup> – Perseids Meteor Shower Watch – 9 p.m.**

Come catch a glimpse of the Perseids meteor shower.

**12<sup>th</sup> – Perseids Meteor Shower Watch – 9 p.m.**

**19<sup>th</sup> – Stargazing – 8:30 p.m.**

**26<sup>th</sup> – Little Explorers – 10 a.m.**

“Butterflies” – Youth K-5<sup>th</sup> can learn about and observe native butterflies at the park.

## September

**9<sup>th</sup> – Butterflies of Raven Run – 1 p.m.**

Learn about the life cycle of butterflies as well as “on the wing” identification of common butterflies at Raven Run.

**16<sup>th</sup> – Stargazing – 8 p.m.**

**23<sup>rd</sup> – Little Explorers – 10 a.m.**

“Colorful Leaves” – Youth K-5<sup>th</sup> grade can join us to learn about trees and fall leaf color.

## October

**1<sup>st</sup> – The Raven 10K- Trail Run – 10 a.m.**

Visit [www.ravenrun.org](http://www.ravenrun.org) for more information regarding this race event.

**14<sup>th</sup> – Fall Wildflowers – 1 p.m.**

Come see the beautiful fall color of Raven Run’s meadows. Learn about plant and insect interactions as well as natural history folklore.

**21<sup>st</sup> – Stargazing – 7 p.m.**

**28<sup>th</sup> – Little Explorers – 10 a.m.**

“Fossils” – Youth K-5<sup>th</sup> grade can join us to learn about local Kentucky fossils.

## November

**11<sup>th</sup> – Bluegrass History – 1 p.m.**

Learn about the cultural and natural history of the Bluegrass area.

**23<sup>rd</sup> – Closed – Thanksgiving**

**25<sup>th</sup> – Little Explorers – 10 a.m.**

“History Detectives” – Youth K-5<sup>th</sup> grade can join us as we unravel the mystery of history.

## December

**9<sup>th</sup> – Winter Birding – 10 a.m.**

Come learn about and identify “on the wing” many of our winter and year-round bird residents.

**30<sup>th</sup> – Little Explorers – 10 a.m.**

“Winter Wildlife Treats” – Youth K-5<sup>th</sup> grade can join us in taking a winter hike then making treats for our winter wildlife.

**24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> – Closed – Holidays**

**For more information or to register for a program, call the Park at (859) 272-6105.**

***Be sure to check our websites and Facebook for program additions!***

**Many programs are weather dependent so please call the Park at (859) 272-6105 prior to attending.**