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A Closer Look at the Nature Exchange



A strange and exciting phenomenon is happening at the Chattahoochee Nature Center. Children (and adults) are gathering up their barnacle encrusted shells, rare rocks and fossilized sharks' teeth and bringing them to CNC. What is inspiring this behavior? It's the Nature Exchange.

The Nature Exchange is the latest interactive nature experience to come to metro Atlanta. Thousands of sea shells, fossils, unusual rocks, preserved insects and more are waiting to be selected, touched and explored under microscopes and magnifiers. Visitors to the Nature Center are invited to bring their own natural objects from home to explore and when they do, they are greatly rewarded.

The real fun at the Nature Exchange begins when visitors swap their nature items for points that can be redeemed for the treasures housed here. Visitors are turned into traders once they have handed in their natural items. Traders can increase their earned points by learning about their object with a Nature Exchange Naturalist or by creating a project about their item such as a nature journal, photo book, short story or artwork. The more learning that takes place, the more valuable the item becomes. In the few weeks that the Nature Exchange has been open to the public, thousands of people have visited, hundreds of them becoming return traders. These traders are diligently saving points in our special trading database in order to spend their points on some of the most coveted items.



Andrew Bland, Naturalist Lindsey Norris, Alicia Bland

Eleven year old Andrew Bland started visiting the Nature Exchange in July and has saved over 1,000 points. According to Andrew, "The coolest thing about the Nature Exchange is that you can trade stuff in and get something with your points." With patience and hard work, Andrew hopes to save up enough points to take home a 5000-point fluorite specimen.

The Nature Exchange began at Science North in Sudbury, Ontario 26 years ago and has since spread to nine locations in the US and Canada. The Chattahoochee Nature Center's Nature Exchange is the first and only in the eastern United States. Thus, it is exclusive to metro Atlanta. Thanks to the variety of items traded, the treasures found here are always changing, making this a place to visit again and again.

The Nature Exchange is open during regular CNC operating hours and access is included with admission. Members can visit the Nature Exchange for free everyday.

- Rachel Greene, Discovery Center Curator



What treasures will you find in the Nature Exchange?

Here are just a few of our favorites:

- Fossilized trilobites- 500 points
- Shed deer antlers- 2000 points
- Giant sugar pine cones- 5000 points
- Gypsum roses- 1500 points
- Cicada nymph molts- 25 points
- Pressed flower bookmarks- 300 points
- Abalone shells- 8000 points



Halloween Hikes

Friday and Saturday, October 17, 23, 24, 30

7:00 – 10:00 PM

No Pre-Registration Needed

\$8.00 all ages, Children 2 and under are free

(Trails are not suitable for strollers.)

MEMBERS & GROUPS OF 10 AND MORE CAN PURCHASE THEIR TICKETS IN ADVANCE BEGINNING OCTOBER 1st!

If you are searching for a unique Halloween adventure, we have the program for you!
Take your child on a well-lit hike through the forest to meet woodland creatures and hear about their lives.
It's the perfect non-scary alternative to traditional Halloween events.



Join us for a full evening of fun activities!

Experience the mystery of a guided night hike! Groups of 20 - 25 people will be led safely on a lighted trail.

Meet nature-costumed characters including everyone's favorites, the Box Turtle and the Water Drop.

Create fun crafts in our gym such as bat puppets, mysterious masks, and more.

Show off your Halloween spirit by having your face painted with one of our "wild" Halloween designs.

Thrill to lively musical entertainment.

Ticket sales begin at 6:30 PM each night and end at 9:00 PM.

Hikes begin at 7 PM and run continuously.

For more information, please call (770) 992-2055 ext. 236 or send a message to r.gilbert@chattnaturecenter.org.

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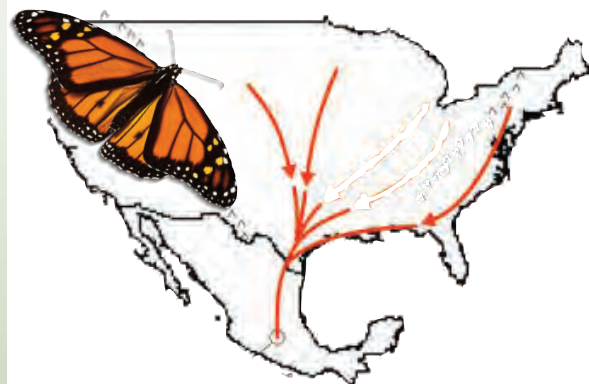
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Humans Aren't the Only

Pack your suitcases, fill a cooler with snacks for the road, and pick out some favorite music or movies to pass the time. This is how most families prepare for long trips. A trip from Roswell to visit the Magic Kingdom in Orlando, Florida is a mere 470 miles, while a jaunt up to Washington, DC to the Capitol is 635 miles. While these are long trips, they are nothing compared to the distances our animal friends travel during their migrations.



Animals migrate for many reasons, but the main ones are food availability, mating opportunities and to find more suitable climates. Starting with the insect world, Monarchs hold the record for longest distance traveled by a butterfly. Day length and temperature changes trigger the Monarchs movement. Depending upon which part of the U.S. they live in, Monarchs take one of two routes.

Those that live west of the Rocky

Mountains fly over to the coast of California to spend the fall in small groves of trees. However, those that are found east of the Rocky Mountains, including the ones we see in our own backyards, travel all the way to central Mexico to roost in the high mountain forests. This is a journey of over 1,300 miles one way for an animal that only weighs 0.02 ounces!

Two birds found in Georgia that are long-distance migrators are the Blackpoll Warbler and the Broad-winged Hawk. Blackpolls are only seen overland once a year in Georgia, despite a two-way migration. The Blackpoll passes through our state during its northward migration in mid-spring, but swings wide out over the Atlantic Ocean on its journey south, taking advantage of the Gulf Stream in an effort to avoid the cold winters of North America. They take off from Canada, heading to Bermuda and South America, and commonly fly for 80-90 hours continuously.



Broad-wings, which nest here throughout June, are one of the smallest hawks in Georgia. These birds are found in deciduous or mixed forests throughout the eastern U.S. and Canada, commonly feasting on insects, small mammals and songbirds. Every fall, they leave for their winter grounds in Central and South America, where the insects are much more abundant than during our winter months. Large groups of these hawks, called kettles, are frequently

seen at Tallulah Gorge in the north east corner of our state. Hundreds of "broadies" circle higher and higher, catching the air thermals so that they can expend less energy during their long flights. Gliding on these air currents, broadies fly around the Gulf of Mexico instead of crossing over it, and are known to feed in mid-air, capturing dragonflies and other insects in their talons and eating them while on the wing.



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trying to plan the perfect activity for your group?
searching for a fun location for your company picnic?

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Box lunch option available for all programs.

All group sizes welcome.

New Member Wins Canoe from REI!

Natalie Molnar, Outreach Specialist from the REI Perimeter Store presents a brand new OLD TOWN Canoe to Deirdre Hughes who lives in Roswell's Inverness Neighborhood. This presentation took place at the Grand Opening of the new Discovery Center at the Chattahoochee Nature Center in June. Beckie Hawkins, sitting on the far right, represented the Chattahoochee Nature Center. The canoe was provided by REI at a drawing for new members. Deirdre is very excited to win this new canoe, especially since she lives so close to the Chattahoochee river!

Photo credit: Don Stewart



Lemonade Stand Raises Money for CNC!

3rd graders from the Swift School worked hard this summer selling lemonade to generate funds to support the Chattahoochee Nature Center! They visited the new Discovery Center on July 17th and presented their humble and heartfelt contribution by delivering this large check to Rachel Greene, our Curator.

Marcie Moore Colt, the Development Associate at the Swift School, was instrumental in helping to plan the student's visit. Dr. Tom Howick, our Director of Education and Lynn McIntyre, our Director of Community Relations gave the visitors a tour of the new facilities. The teachers and students were particularly excited to see the Nature Exchange demonstrated. Now they are discussing plans for a field study with our education division!



L to R; teachers and students from The Swift School: Mrs. Dona Nimer, Miss Lucy Kaiser, Miss Olivia Cole, Mister Ethan Kittle, Miss Teresa Lee, Mrs. Kristen Lane, Miss Audrey Cole

Are you interested in a Community Garden?

CNC is searching for a few dedicated volunteers with time, energy, and passion on their hands to join us as we embark on developing a Community Garden at the Center.

If you are interested, please contact Henning von Schmeling at (770) 992-2055 x 229 or by e-mail at h.vonschmeling@chattnaturecenter.org or Lisa Cole at (770) 992-2055 x 253 or by e-mail at l.cole@chattnaturecenter.org

CNC Wish List

CNC loves donations. We are looking for items on the list below. If you have any questions regarding the wish list please contact Amy Bram (770) 992-2055, ext. 232 or a.bram@chattnaturecenter.org

- Professional Digital Camera
- Professional Digital Video Recorder
- Laundry Detergent – perfume/dye free
- Dish Soap – any kind
- Cardboard Pet Carriers
- Googly Eyes (for Arts and Crafts)
- Various Color Card Stock
- Child-Friendly Watering Can
- Wooden Nature Toddler Toys - New
- Face Paint
- Sharpie Pack - assorted colors
- Crayola Washable Markers



An Audubon Evening

John James Audubon's life, career and artistic accomplishments are brought to life by Robert E. Hall

Wednesday, September 16, 2009

6:00pm - 9:00pm, \$10 per person

Co-hosted by the Chattahoochee Nature Center's *ChattPack* and the Ann Jackson Gallery

You are cordially invited to meet Robert E. Hall and view this special portfolio presentation of "The Audubon Centennial Edition- The Birds of America" at this wine and cheese reception. He will present his story of the colorful life and art of John James Audubon. The double elephant folio is created in association with the National Audubon Society as a tribute to their esteemed mission to conserve our natural ecosystems. A film will be presented highlighting the importance of John James Audubon to the world of wildlife art, especially capturing and cataloging the birds of North America for posterity.

The original engravings by John James Audubon are now available, completely restored and printed on fine archival paper with a limited edition of 200 of each image, with authorization from the National Audubon Society who receive a percentage of all sales. Proceeds from this reception will also benefit the Chattahoochee Nature Center.

Travelers During Cool Months



While not native to Georgia, the Arctic Tern must be mentioned whenever bird migrations are discussed. This medium-sized bird with gray and white feathers and red beak eats primarily fish and small marine invertebrates, and can live up to 30 years.

After leaving its breeding grounds in the Arctic every year, it flies 12,000 miles to Antarctica to spend the summer months in the Southern Hemisphere. It isn't unusual for individuals of this species to fly 500,000 miles in its lifetime. In fact, one young Arctic Tern was banded in the United Kingdom, and in less than four months was located in Melbourne, Australia. Another young chick was first seen in Canada, and within four months was in South Africa!

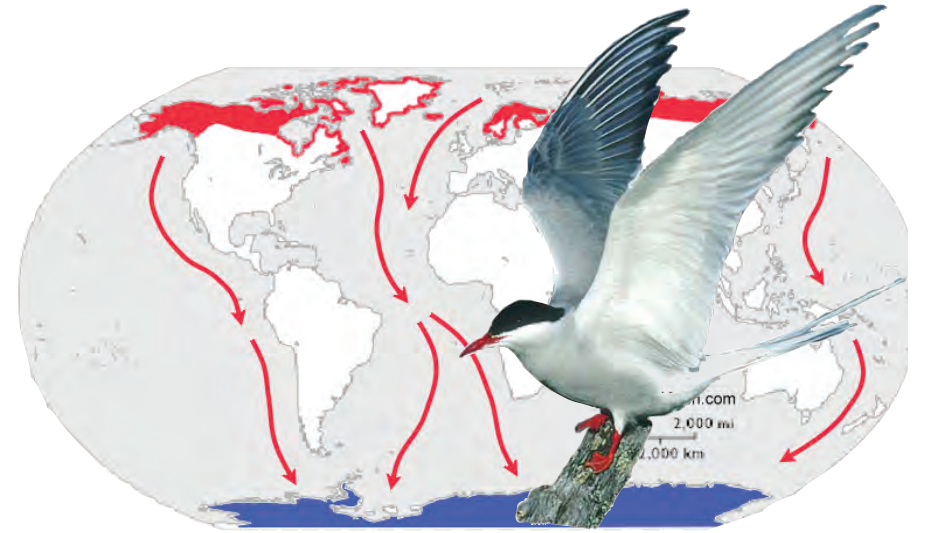
Our state marine mammal, the Northern Right Whale, is also a long distance migrator. They spend the warmer months off the coasts of New England and Canada, feeding on the plentiful crustaceans. These toothless whales suck in large amounts of water and strain it through their baleen, removing plankton that they consume.

During the winter months, pregnant whales head south to the warmer waters off the coasts of Florida and Georgia to give birth.

So little is known about the life history of these 100-ton animals that no one is sure where the male and non-pregnant females spend their winters. They leave the northern feeding grounds, but do not come south with the other females. Because of the hazards they face during their travels, Northern Right Whales are now listed by both the state and federal governments as endangered. From collisions with commercial ships to entanglements in fishing gear, these 50 foot-long marine mammals face constant threats as they swim the ocean in search of food.

So, when you are constantly met with the questions, "Are we there yet? Are we there yet?" just take a deep breath, sit back, and be happy that you aren't on one of the truly long-distance migration routes that some other animals travel.

- Kathryn Dudeck, Wildlife Director



As fall approaches, we take a look back over the summer. What a summer it was!



Did you Know...

- Caribou walk over 3,000 miles a year migrating in search of food.
- Humpback Whales migrate 6,000 miles in a year, one of the longest migrations of any species.
- Salmon start their lives in freshwater streams, move to the open ocean for their adult lives, then return to their home stream to lay eggs.
- There are lots of different types of migration based on the reasons for a species to migrate. Examples include partial migration, seasonal migration, reproductive migration and nomadic migration.

Photo Credit: Monarch - monarch-butterfly.info, Monarch map - glorious-butterflies.com, Blackpoll Warbler - westol.com/~banding, Broad-winged Hawk - lauraerickson.com, Arctic Tern - birdsasart.com, Arctic Tern map - go2moon.com, Northern Right Whale - sdnhm.org

September *Wander through Wetlands*

Story Time by the River

Wednesday, September 2, 10 - 11am,
Ages 3 - 5

Join volunteers for a fun story time at CNC. Using books, puppets, and other props, they tell stories about the wonders of wetlands!

Peek-at-a-Pond

Saturday, September 5, 11am - 12pm, Ages 5 - 8

Join elementary school music specialist Linda Johnson in this exciting and musical look at who makes their home in a pond.

Insect Bio-Buggy

Wednesday, September 16, 1:30 - 3:00pm, Ages 4 - 12

Visit the Insect Bio-Buggy to explore the variety of insects that call the CNC home! Find insects on the ground and peek underwater to discover these interesting critters.

Family Bird Walk

Saturday, September 19, 8:30 - 10:00am, All Ages

Join Master Birder and wildlife volunteer Zelia Lebeau for a morning bird walk. Perfect for birders of any age!

Night Hike -

a part of the Great Atlanta Play Day

Saturday, September 26, 7pm-9pm, Ages 5 to Adult
\$10 Non-Members/\$5 Members

Join CNC as we celebrate the Great Atlanta Play Day! We will journey outside through woodlands and wetlands to play some night-time games, head out on a hike, and wrap up the evening with a campfire (complete with marshmallows)!

Rivers Alive

Saturday, September 26, 9:00am - 12:00pm,
Ages 8 to Adult, No Pre-Registration Required
Help clean up the Chattahoochee River during this annual event. Head down to Riverside Park and join in with the clean-up.

Wetland Walk & Talk

Saturday September 12, 9am - 12pm
\$15 non-members/\$10 members, Ages 16 to Adult
Learn about Wetlands in the Piedmont Region of GA and enjoy an in-depth guided walk of the wetlands at the Chattahoochee Nature Center. Swamps, marshes, bogs, and the plants that thrive in these habitats will be discussed as you explore the CNC Wetlands.



Sarracenia flava
Also known as the yellow trumpet pitcher plant - ranges from Virginia to Alabama in coastal wetlands. Come learn with CNC about other neat plants growing in our wetlands! Photo Credit: Henning von Schmeling

Explore Your Watershed

Book Online!

Naturalist-Led River Canoe Trips

Saturdays at 8:30 am and 5:00pm and Sundays at 5:00pm,
Ages 6 to adult, \$30 Non-Members/\$25 Members,
Pre-Registration Required - **Special Trip on Labor Day!**
Each trip is led by a CNC naturalist and offers a unique introduction to the ecology of the Chattahoochee River.

Family Canoe Day

Sunday, September 6 and Sunday, September 27 from
10:30am - 12:00pm, Ages 5 to adult,
\$15 Non-Members/\$10 Members,
Pre-Registration Required
Join us to discover the basics of canoeing.
Learn along with your children about canoes, how to paddle them, and safety issues.

Master Naturalist Certification Class

September - May, First Thursday of the month, 9am - 4pm
\$240 non-members/\$210 members
The Georgia Master Naturalist program is a hands-on environmental education program that explores habitats and ecosystems in Georgia. A combination of lectures and hands-on learning through field studies and relevant resource materials. After completing this fun and interactive program, the Georgia Master Naturalists are encouraged to share their knowledge with their communities by volunteering in local schools or nature centers. Ages 16 to Adult.

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1 Green Building Tour Guided Hike Creature Feature	2	3 Insect Bio-Buggy Feeding Time	4 Story Time by the River	5 Green Building Tour Creature Feature	6 Creature Feature	7 Wildlife Open House Brownie Overnight Guided Hike Feeding Time Creature Feature Stargazing
8 Privet Pull Green Building Tour Guided Hike Creature Feature	9	10 Pee-Wee Naturalist Feeding Time	11	12 Green Building Tour Creature Feature	13 Creature Feature	14 Junior Overnight Guided Hike Feeding Time Creature Feature Fruits & Vegetables Adult Bird Walk
15 Shelter Building Green Building Tour Guided Hike Creature Feature	16	17 Feeding Time	18 Pee-Wee Naturalist	19 Green Building Tour Creature Feature	20 Creature Feature	21 Night Hike Pee-Wee Planters Guided Hike Feeding Time Creature Feature
22 Guided Hike Green Building Tour Creature Feature	23 Creature Feature	24 Creature Feature Feeding Time	25 Infant Walk Creature Feature	26 CNC CLOSED	27 Bird Bio-Buggy Creature Feature	28 STARLAB Guided Hike Feeding Time Creature Feature
29 Green Building Tour Guided Hike Creature Feature	30	Events in Blue are Adult Programs				

Creature Feature

HOMES & Hideaways
Thursdays & Fridays, 4pm,
Saturdays & Sundays, 2pm
Additional programs on
Nov. 23, 24, & 25 at 4pm!
As the cold approaches, explore the homes and hideaways that our animal friends occupy as they prepare for winter!

Feeding Time

Tuesdays & Saturdays at 4pm
Join a naturalist for an in-depth look at one of our resident animals as our Wildlife Department feeds them!

Guided Nature Hikes

Saturdays & Sundays at 1 & 3pm
CNC docents will reveal the hidden mysteries of our unique trails!

Green Building Tour

Thursdays at 1pm & Sundays at 4pm
Learn about our "green" building and what you can do for your home to go green!

Story Time by the River

Wednesday, November 4, 10 - 11:00am,
Ages 3 to 5
Using books, finger-plays, or crafts, our volunteer storytellers share stories about the fun homes and secretive hideaways of all types of critters!

Wildlife Clinic Open House

November 7, 11am - 2pm
The only time all year that the Wildlife Department will be open to the public. Meet some of the staff and volunteers who help keep our collection of animals healthy and happy. Tour the Wildlife Department building, ask about what we do and how we do it, and come see some of your favorite residents up close and personal.

Shelter Building

Sunday, November 15, 1:00pm - 2:30pm,
Ages 8 and up
If you were caught in a storm, what would you do? Build a shelter! Come learn how to use natural materials to build a makeshift shelter in the forest just like many of the critters scurrying around the forest use to stay warm, safe, and protected!

Book Online!

Adventures for Adults

Perennial Fruits and Vegetables

Saturday, November 14, 1 - 3pm
\$30 non-members/\$25 members
Learn which fruits and vegetables will produce food year after year. This is the third of four monthly Organic Gardening & Sustainable Living Workshops with Duane Marcus Co-owner of The Urban Gardener and farmer at the Funny Farm

Bird Walk for Adults

Saturday, November 14, 8 - 10am
Join CNC wildlife volunteer and Master Birder, Stacy Zarpentine, for a morning bird walk to discover what feathered friends you will find around the grounds.

November *Journey Through Fall*

Autumn STARLAB

Saturday, November 28, 10 -11am

(Two 25-Minute Sessions), Ages 5 to Adult

Using STARLAB, our portable planetarium, a naturalist will guide you through the autumn sky as you learn about what constellations, planets, and stars can be seen!



Fall Sky Stargazing -Book Online!

Saturday, November 7, 8 – 10pm, Ages 16 to Adult
\$20 non-members/\$15 members

Join Emory astronomer and supernova hunter, Alex Langoussis, in observing the night sky. You will learn about Fall constellations, how to locate specific stars and handy tricks and tips to enjoy star gazing even more. Bring your own binoculars for more chances to view the stars up-close! Hand held Planispheres included in class fee.

Bird Bio-Buggy

Friday, November 27,

1:30 – 3:00pm, Ages 4 –12

Visit the Bird Bio-Buggy to learn about birds you may see during the fall migration! Discover about the many different kinds of birds and try to spot some of our feathered friends with binoculars. Hunt around CNC to find out how many different types of nest you can spot!



Chimney Swifts historically built their nests in hollow trees. American pioneers cleared forests and the Chimney Swift adapted to the masonry chimneys built by the pioneers.

Insect Bio-Buggy

Tuesday, November 3, 1:30 - 3pm, Ages 4-12

Visit the Insect Bio-Buggy to explore the variety of insects that call CNC home! A perfect way to discover these interesting bugs crawling around the gardens and trails at CNC! See if you can spot their homes and different habitats around the grounds!

The honeybees' hive has cells made of wax. This is where the queen bee lays her eggs. She can lay up to 1,500 in one day!



Explore Your Watershed

Privet Pull

Sunday, November 8,
1:00 – 3:00pm, Ages 5 – adult,
Pre-Registration Recommended

Help us in eradicating this non-native plant from the wetlands along the river. Bring a pair of gloves and shovel if you have them!



Night Time is the Best Time!

Saturday, November 21, 7:00 – 9:00pm,
Ages 5 to adult,

\$10 Non-Members/\$5 members

We will journey outside where we will visit with a nocturnal animal, head out on a night hike, and wrap up with a campfire!

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6 Family Canoe Day Canoe Trip Guided Hikes Green Building Tour Creature Feature	7 Special Labor Day Canoe Trip	8 Pee-Wee Naturalist Feeding Time	9	10 Green Building Tour Creature Feature	11 Creature Feature	12 Canoe Trips Guided Hikes Pee-Wee Planters Cadette Overnight Feeding Time Creature Feature Photographers Only Plants from Seed Wetland Walk
13 Ice Cream Social Canoe Trip Green Building Tour Guided Hikes Creature Feature	14 Ice Cream Social	15 Feeding Time	16 Audubon Wine & Cheese Event Pee-Wee Naturalist Insect Bio-Buggy	17 Green Building Tour Creature Feature	18 Creature Feature	19 Family Bird Walk Canoe Trips Feeding Time Guided Hikes Creature Feature
20 Scout Open House Canoe Trip Guided Hikes Green Building Tour Creature Feature	21	22 Feeding Time	23	24 Green Building Tour Creature Feature	25 Nature Explorers Creature Feature	26 Rivers Alive Night Hike Canoe Trip Creature Feature Feeding Time Guided Hikes Creature Feature
27 Canoe Trip Family Canoe Day Green Building Tour Guided Hikes Creature Feature	28	29 Feeding Time	30 Infant Walk			

Creature Feature:

Wonderful Wetlands
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Saturdays and Sundays, 2pm, All Ages
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Grandparents' Ice Cream Social

Sunday, September 13, 1pm – 3pm,
All Ages, \$3 Suggested Donation,
General Admission
Grandparents Free! Sponsored by Brusters at Ellard Village & Roswell Crossing
Help honor Grandparents' Day as we enjoy a good ol' fashioned ice cream social.

Early Childhood Programs

adult helper required & admitted free,
Pre-Registration Required

Pee-Wee Naturalist Fall Series,

Ages 3 & 4, 9:45 - 11am
\$50 Non-Members/\$35 Members,
Tuesday, Sept. 8, Oct. 13, Nov. 10 or
Wednesday, Sept. 16, Oct. 21, Nov. 18
Explore Snakes, Nature Adventures, and Winter Hibernators!

Pee-Wee Planters, Ages 3 - 6

Saturday, Sept. 12, 9:45 - 11am,
\$15 Non-Members/ \$10 Members
Explore the CNC garden to learn all about vegetables!

Nature Explorers, Ages 5 & 6

Friday, Sept. 25 & Oct. 30, 3:30 - 4:45pm
\$35 Non-Members/ \$25 members
Discover Magnificent Mammals and Creepy Crawlies!

Infant Walk

Wednesday, September 30, 10 - 11am
Ages birth - 2yrs.
\$15 Non-Members/\$5 Members,
Pre-Registration Required
Join a CNC naturalist to discover ways you can connect your infant to the wonders of nature!

Scout Open House

Sunday, September 20, 12pm – 5pm,
Free for Scout Leaders in Uniform
\$2 off admission for Scouts in Uniform
Explore the various scout programs CNC offers! Call 770-992-2055x249 for more info.

Book Online!

Adventures for Adults

Bird Walk - Ages 16 & Up

Saturday, September 5, 8am – 10am
Join CNC wildlife volunteer and Master Birder, Stacy Zarpentine, for a morning bird walk to discover what feathered friends you will find around the grounds.

Starting Plants from Seed

Saturday, September 12, 1-3pm
\$30 non-members/ \$25 members
This is the first of four monthly Organic Gardening & Sustainable Living Workshops with Duane Marcus Co-owner of The Urban Gardener and farmer at Funny Farm.

CNC Exclusive Access - Photographers Only

Saturday, September 12, 6:30 - 9:30am
\$20 non-members/\$15 members
Capture CNC in a unique way before we open to the public. A chance to get up-close with our rehabilitated birds of prey!

October *Celebrate the Harvest Season*

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11 Canoe Trip Family Canoe Day Green Building Tour Guided Hikes Creature Feature Photographers Only	12	13 Pee-Wee Naturalist Feeding Time	14 Pumpkin Carving	15 Green Building Tour Creature Feature	16 Creature Feature	17 Halloween Hikes Guided Hikes Feeding Time Creature Feature Macro Photography Adult Bird Walk
18 Tree ID Class Green Building Tour Guided Hikes Creature Feature	19	20 Feeding Time	21 Pee-Wee Naturalist	22 Green Building Tour Creature Feature	23 Halloween Hikes Creature Feature	24 Halloween Hikes Adopt-A-Stream Guided Hikes Feeding Time Creature Feature
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The perfect non-scary, fun and exciting Halloween adventure for all ages!

See back cover for more details!



The Hike Inn at Amicalola Falls

Saturday, October 10th – Sunday, October 11th
CNC members Special Friends Rate:

\$127 per room, Non-member rate: \$150 per room (rooms sleep 2), Ages 16 to Adult

The Len Foote Hike Inn at Amicalola Falls State Park is one of the newest and most unique of Georgia's state park facilities. If you enjoy wilderness hiking but prefer a soft bed, hot showers, and great food instead of camping, the Hike Inn is for you. The Inn is accessible only by foot over a moderate 5 mile trail which originates at the top of the Falls. For more information, visit www.hike-inn.com. We will be meeting at CNC to caravan to the park and we will hike together with a CNC naturalist. You may also travel and hike on your own. Once at the inn we will eat, rest, learn and laugh together. There is limited space at the inn, so call soon to reserve your spot.

To book your room call the Hike Inn reservationist at 1-800-581-8032. Pack a lunch for the hike there, dinner and breakfast are included. For \$5 you may buy a trail lunch for the hike home.

Story Time by the River

Wednesday, October 7,

10:00 – 11:00am, Ages 3 – 5

Join volunteers for a fun story time at CNC. Using books, puppets, and other props, they tell stories about the fabulous fall forest!

Tree Identification

Sunday, October 18,

12:30pm – 2:00pm,

Ages 10 to Adult,

\$10 Non-Members/
\$5 Members,

Pre-Registration Required

Autumn is here!

Join a naturalist to explore the changing leaves and learn what kinds of trees populate Georgia's forests.



Explore Your Watershed

Family Bird Walk

Saturday, October 10, 8:30 – 10:00am,
All Ages

Join Master Birder and wildlife volunteer Zelia Lebeau for a morning bird walk. Perfect for birders of any age!

Naturalist-Led Canoe Trips! Book Online!

Last of the Season! Saturdays & Sundays,
Oct. 3, 4, 10, & 11 at 4:30pm.

Additional trip Saturdays at 8:30am,

Ages 6-Adult, \$30 Non-Members/\$25 Members

Led by a CNC naturalist and explores the Chattahoochee River!

Pre-Registration Required.

Adopt-A-Stream: Biological Workshop

Saturday, October 24,
10:00am – 3:00pm,
Ages 12 to Adult,

Pre-Registration Required
Explore your watershed and become certified for biological monitoring of your local waterways.

Adopt-A-Stream registration, contact 404-730-8006.

Bird Walk for Adults

Saturdays, October 17 & 31,
8–10am

Join CNC wildlife volunteer and Master Birder, Stacy Zarpentine, for a morning bird walk to discover what feathered friends you will find around the grounds.

Creature Feature:

Forests in the Fall
Thursdays & Fridays, 4pm,
Saturdays & Sundays, 2pm
Autumn is a wonderful time to explore the woods! Join a CNC Naturalist to explore the animals that call our beautiful forests home!

Feeding Time

Tuesdays & Saturdays at 1pm
Join a Naturalist for an in-depth look at one of our resident animals as our Wildlife Department feeds them!

Guided Nature Hikes

Saturdays & Sundays, 1 & 3pm
Using biofacts and activities, CNC docents will reveal the hidden mysteries of CNC's trails.

Green Building Tour

Thursdays at 1pm,
Sundays at 4pm
Learn about our "green" building and what you can do for your home to go green!

Pee-Wee Planters, Ages 3 – 6

Sunday, October 4, 12:30pm – 1:45pm
\$15 Non-Members/\$10 Members
(adult helper required and admitted free)
Pre-Registration Required
Explore the CNC gardens while learning about fall flowers!

Bird Bio-Buggy

Friday, October 9, 1:30pm - 3pm
Discover the many different kinds of birds and ones you might see during fall migration!

Family Canoe Day

Sunday, October 11, 1:00pm – 2:30pm,
Ages 5 to Adult,
\$15 Non-Members/\$10 Members
Learn the basics of canoeing as you paddle on a CNC pond to practice and explore.

Pumpkin Carving

Wednesday, October 14,
1:30pm - 3pm, Ages 6 & Up,
Adult Helper & Pre-registration required.
Help CNC decorate for Halloween Hikes by carving a pumpkin to be on display!

Infant Walk

Wednesday, October 28, 10 - 11am, Ages birth - 2,
\$15 Non-Members/\$5 members (price per family)
Discover ways to connect your infant to the wonders of nature! Pre-registration required.

Book Online!

Adventures for Adults

Success with Herbs

Saturday October, 10, 1 – 3pm
\$30 non-members/\$25 members
Find out what herbs grow best in Georgia and how to grow them. This is the second of four monthly Organic Gardening & Sustainable Living Workshops with Duane Marcus, Co-owner of The Urban Gardener and farmer at the Funny Farm.

Exclusive Access to CNC – Photographers Only

Sunday, October 11, 7:00 – 11:30am
\$25 non-members/\$20 members
The light will be perfect, you'll have the grounds to yourselves and our staff and volunteers will bring out our collection of native non-releasable hawks and owls. Capture CNC in a unique way!

Plant and Insect Macro Photography

Saturday, October 17, 9am – 12pm
\$60 non-members/\$50 members
Learn how to use your digital camera to take quality photographs of nature's fine details. John Pickering, ecologist at the University of Georgia, shares his skills with nature photographers of any experience level.