Letchworth State Park
INTERPRETIVE PROGRAMS
Summer 2018 Calendar

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JUNE

30 Sat • 10:00 am ANIMAL WALK – Butterfly Beauties. Meet at Trout Pond. (2 hours, 1 mile) NOTE: Today is the North American Butterfly Association's Count Day. Experienced butterfly watchers wishing to participate on an informal count at Letchworth State Park may contact Douglas Bassett at 585-493-3625. (Count rain date is July 1) (db)

JULY

1 - 31 • NATURE TABLE & WILDFLOWER DISPLAY. HNC (10:00 am - 5:00)

1 Sun • 2:00 pm NATURE UP CLOSE – Dragonflies. HNC. (2 hours, on-site) (db)

3 Tue 11:00 am LUNCH NEAR WETLANDS & WILDS. HNC. Bring a lunch. (2-3 hours, 1 mile) (db)

5 Thu • 10:00 am TRIBUTARY TREK - Upper Wolf Creek. Meet at Wolf Creek Cascades parking lot. Wear clothing and footwear you do not mind getting soiled and wet. Bring a lunch. (3 hours, 1 mile) (db)

• 2:00 pm ANIMAL WALK – Dance of the Dragonfly. Meet at Trout Pond. (2 hours, on site) (db)

8 Sun • 1:00 pm NATURE WALK – Gorge Trail. Meet at Great Bend Overlook. (2 hours, 1 mile) (ss)

11 Wed • 11:00 am LUNCH NEAR WETLANDS & WILDS. HNC. Bring a lunch. (2-3 hours, 1 mile) (db)

• 7:00 pm LEARN ABOUT LETCHWORTH SERIES – Tenting Tonight – The History of Camp William and the Parade Grounds by Tom Cook. HNC. (1½ hours, on-site)

12 Thu • 10:00 am WILDFLOWER WALK. Meet at Great Bend Overlook. (2 hours, 1 mile) (db)

14 Sat • 10:00 am GENESSEE VALLEY GREENWAY PASSPORT HIKE – River Road to Route 19A (Wegmans Hike Number 11). Park and meet at the trailhead on the east side of Route 19A at the intersection of River Rd, about .33 mile south of Bailey Rd (aka Whiskey Bridge). (3 hours, 3.4 miles) (db)

• 2:00 pm HAMLIN BEACH STATE PARK – Things with Wings and Not-so-creepy Crawlies. Meet at the Yanty Marsh Trailhead. (1½ hours, 1 mile) (ek)

• 2:30 pm BUFFALO PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA CONCERT AT ARCHERY FIELD overlooking the “Grand Canyon of the East”. Daytime events feature food, beverage & artists. BPO at 8 pm. Fireworks at 9:30 pm.

• 4:30 pm HAMLIN BEACH STATE PARK – Let’s Talk About Ticks. Meet by the restroom in Area 3. (1½ hours, at nature table) (ek)

16 Mon • 10:00 am NATURE WALK – Kisil Point Trail. Meet at Highbanks Camper Recreation Building. Bring a lunch. (4 hours, 2 miles) (db)

17 Tue • 11:00 am LUNCH NEAR WETLANDS & WILDS. HNC. Bring a lunch. (2-3 hours, 1 mile) (db)

18 Wed • 10:00 am ANIMAL WALK – Creek Critters. Meet at Parade Grounds parking lot. Wear clothing you do not mind getting soiled and wet. Bring a lunch. (3 hours, 1 mile) (db)

• 7:00 pm LEARN ABOUT LETCHWORTH SERIES – York Wines, The Surprising Story of New York’s by Jane Oaks. HNC. (1½ hours, on-site)

19 Thu • 10:00 am WILDFLOWER WALK. Meet at Upper St. Helena parking lot. (2 hours, 1 mile) (db)

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**Materials** (Celebration & Cake 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm). Inside the Lower Falls Shelter by the octagon building at Lower Falls parking lot. past Cabin Area “B”. Other walks throughout the Park, Call 585-493-3637 for details

5 Sun 10:00 am **WILDFLOWER WALK. Meet at Gardeau Overlook. (2 hours, 1 mile) (db)**

8 Wed 11:00 am **LUNCH NEAR WETLANDS & WILDS. HNC.** Bring a lunch. (2-3 hours, 1 mile) (db)

7:00 pm **LEARN ABOUT LETCHWORTH SERIES – A Personal Connection by Peter Jemison. HNC.** (1 ½ hours, on-site)

9 Thu 10:00 am **FERN WALK. Meet at Museum. (2 hours, 1 mile) (db)**

11 Sat 10:00 am **GENESEE VALLEY GREENWAY PASSPORT HIKE – Rockville Dam to Huck Rd. (Wegmans Hike Number 12). Park and meet at the Rockville Lake Dam at the end of Lake Rd. (There are two Lake Roads, turn on the one across from Ramsey Rd. off Route 305). (2 hours. 2.1 miles). (kr)**

2:00 pm **HAMLIN BEACH STATE PARK – Things with Wings and Not-so-creepy Crawlies. Meet at the Yanty Marsh Trailhead. (1½ hours, 1 mile) (ek)**

4:30 pm **HAMLIN BEACH STATE PARK – Let’s Talk About Ticks. Meet by the restroom in Area 3. (1½ hours, at nature table) (ek)**

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### AUGUST

**12 Sun • 8:30 am “DAM” GOOD TRAIL RACE.**
A 20k off-road running race along the Letchworth Branch of the Finger Lakes Trail beginning and ending at the Mount Morris Dam and Recreation Area. For details visit: www.roasdarepoison.com

**12 Sun • 1:00 pm NATURE WALK – Birch Trail.**
Meet at 1st overlook on Lower Falls Road, just east of Group Camping area entrance. (2 hours, 1 mile) (ss)

**14 Tue • 11:00 am LUNCH NEAR WETLANDS & WILDS. **
Bring a lunch. (2-3 hours, 1 mile) (db)

**15 Wed • 7:00 pm LEARN ABOUT LETCHWORTH SERIES – Working Like a Dog by Patricia Tice. **
(1½ hours, on site)

**16 Thu • 10:00 am FERN WALK.**
Meet at Silver Lake Outlet Bridge, one mile north of Perry Entrance on Main Park Road. (2 hours, 1 mile) (db)

**16 Thu • 1:00 pm ANIMAL WALK – Insect Safari.**
Meet at Mt. Morris Dam Snack Bar parking lot. (2 hours, nearby) (db)

**17 Fri • 6:30 pm CREPUSCULAR WALK – Dark by the Pond.**
Meet at Trailside Lodge. Bring a flashlight. Muddy spots. (2 - 3 hours, 1 mile)

**18 Sat • 10:00 am TRIBUTARY TREK – Dishmill Creek.**
Meet at the junction of Dygert and River Roads. Wear clothing and footwear you do not mind getting soiled and wet. Bring a lunch. (4 hours, 2 miles) (db)

**19 Sun • 10:00 am EDIBLE PLANT WALK.**
Meet at Snake Hill Overlook, on flat of Main Park Road, between Great Bend and Wolf Creek. (2 hours, 1 mile) (db)

**24 Fri • 10:00 am STONE TOOL CRAFTSMAN SHOW.**
Meet at Highbanks Recreation Area. Atlatl Competition is Thursday thru Sunday. (8-hour event)

**26-31 MONARCH BUTTERFLY RELEASES. **
Daily, at 10:00 am & 4:00 pm so long as butterflies are ready to fly.

**25 Sat • 10:00 am STONE TOOL CRAFTSMAN SHOW.**
Meet at Highbanks Recreation Area. Atlatl Competition is Thursday thru Sunday. (8-hour event)

**26 Sun • 10:00 am STONE TOOL CRAFTSMAN SHOW.**
Meet at Highbanks Recreation Area. Atlatl Competition is Thursday thru Sunday. (8-hour event)

**29 Wed • 11:00 am LUNCH NEAR WETLANDS & WILDS. **
Bring a lunch. (2-3 hours, 1 mile) (db)

**30 Thu • 7:00 pm LEARN ABOUT LETCHWORTH SERIES – Magnificent Monarchs by Elijah Kruger. **
(1½ hours, on-site)

### SEPTEMBER

**1 - 15 MONARCH BUTTERFLY RELEASES.**
Daily, at 10:00 am & 4:00 pm so long as butterflies are ready to fly.

**1 - 30 NATURE TABLE & WILDLOWER DISPLAY. **
(10:00 am - 5:00)

**1 Sat • 1:00 pm NATURE WALK – Highbanks Trail.**
Meet at North Shelter in the Highbanks Recreational Area. (2 hours, 1 mile) (ss)
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SEPTEMBER

1 Sat • 1:00 pm SEPTEMBER NATURE WALK. HNC. (1 hour, ½ mile)
• 2:00 pm HAMLIN BEACH STATE PARK – Things with Wings and Not-so-creepy Crawlies. Meet at the Yanty Marsh Trailhead. (1½ hours, 1 mile) (ek)
• 4:30 pm HAMLIN BEACH STATE PARK – Let’s Talk About Ticks. Meet by the restroom in Area 3. (1½ hours, at nature table) (ek)

2 Sun • 3:00 pm SUMMER FAREWELL FESTIVAL. Meet at Highbanks Recreation Area. Country Musical performances, petting zoo & pony rides, comedy and variety acts, family activities & food and great firework show. (6½-hour event)

3 Mon • 10:00 am GEOLOGY WALK. Meet by octagon building at Lower Falls parking lot, past Cabin Area “B” (lots of steps and muddy spots). (2 hours, 1 mile) (db)
• 12:30 pm HOW THE GORGE WAS FORMED – STORY OF THE PARK. Meet at Inspiration Point parking lot. (1 hour, ¼ mile) (db)
• 2:00 pm GLEN IRIS ESTATE WALK. Meet at Museum. (2 hours, 1 mile) (db)

4 Tue • 11:00 am LUNCH NEAR WETLANDS & WILDS. HNC. Bring a lunch. (2-3 hours, 1 mile) (db)

6 Thu • 10:00 am UPPER ST. HELENA HIKE – Scenic Loop Series. Meet at Trillium Trailhead. ½ mile up dirt road past Cabin Area “E”. Bring a lunch. (3 hours, 2 miles) (db)
• 1:30 pm HOME ECOLOGIST. Families with children ages 6-12. HNC. (1½ hours, on site)

8 Sat • 10:00 am 23RD ANNUAL GLEN IRIS 5K RUN. Visit www.glentrisinn.com, or call 585-493-2622 for details.
• 10:00 am GENESEE VALLEY GREENWAY PASSPORT HIKE – Route 305 to Tibbetts Hill Rd. (Wegmans Hike Number 13). Park and meet at the parking lot on the south side of Route 305 between Baragon Hill Rd and Gleason Hill Rd. (4 hours, 4.2 miles) (ek)

9 Sun • 1:00 pm NATURE WALK - Trout Pond Trail. Meet at Trout Pond. (2 hours, 1 mile) (ss)

10 Mon • 10:30 am KNEE HIGH NATURALIST PROGRAM. HNC. (45 minutes) (ao)
• 1:30 pm HOME ECOLOGIST. Families with children ages 6-12. HNC. (1½ hours, on site)

11 Tue • 11:00 am LUNCH NEAR WETLANDS & WILDS. HNC. Bring a lunch. (2-3 hours, 1 mile) (db)

13 Thu • 10:00 am SMOKEY HOLLOW HIKE – Scenic Loop Series. Meet at Highbanks Camper Contact Station across from the Perry Entrance. Bring a lunch. (3 hours, 2 miles) (db)
• 1:30 pm HOME ECOLOGIST. Families with children ages 12+. HNC. (1½ hours, on site)

15 Sat • 10:00 am NATIVE AMERICAN & PIONEER HERITAGE DAY – Native American (Dance) & Pioneer crafts, food & fun. Meet at Trailside Lodge. Atlatl Competition is Friday thru Sunday. (6-hour event)

16 Sun • 10:00 am NATURE WALK – Genesee Valley Canal Trail (Locks Section). Meet at junction of Oakland Road and Route 436 in Oakland, New York. Will car pool. (2 hours, 1 mile) (ss)

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22 Sat • 1:00 pm SEPTEMBER NATURE WALK. HNC. (1 hour, ¼ mile)
23 Sun • 1:00 pm NATURE WALK – St. Helena Trail. Meet at lowest St. Helena parking lot. (2 hours, 1 mile) (ss)
24 Mon • 10:30 am KNEE HIGH NATURALIST PROGRAM. HNC. (45 minutes) (ao)
• 5:30 pm CREPUSCULAR WALK – Full Moon Over the Canyon. Meet at Archery Field Overlook. Bring a flashlight. Car caravan. (2 hours, 1 mile) (db)
25 Tue • 11:00 am LUNCH NEAR WETLANDS & WILDS. HNC. Bring a lunch. (2-3 hours, 1 mile) (db)
• 5:00 pm ANIMAL WALK – Visit a Beaver Pond. Meet at Parade Grounds parking lot. Bring a supper. (3 hours, 1 mile, brush and mud) (db)
26 Wed • 10:00 am MUSHROOM WALK. Meet at Lower Falls Restaurant parking lot. Bring a lunch. (3 hours, 1 mile) (db)
27 Thu • 10:00 am FIDDLER’S ELBOW HIKE – Scenic Loop Series. Meet at overlook 2 miles south of the Perry Entrance Gate. Bring a lunch. (3 hours, 2 miles) (db) ■
29 Sat • 10:00 am MUSHROOM FORAY. Annual fall gathering of the Rochester Area Mycological Society – public invited. Meet at Parade Grounds Shelter. (4-hour event)
• 1:00 pm SEPTEMBER NATURE WALK. HNC. (1 hour, ¼ mile)
30 Sun • 1:00 pm NATURE WALK – Jemison Trail. Meet at Council Grounds parking lot. (2 hours, 1 mile) (ss)
**Letchworth State Park Interpretive Programs**

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE**
(repeating each week in July & August)

Led by Elijah Kruger, Gary Lamitina, Mike Landowski, Karen Russell, and Steph Spittal.

**FAMILY PROGRAMS – SUMMER 2018**

**SUNDAY**

11:00 am *Invasive Species Walk.* HNC. (½ hour, on site)

1:00 pm *The Life of William Pryor Letchworth.* Walk on his former estate. Meet at William Pryor Letchworth Museum. (1 hour, ½ mile)

2:00 pm *Animal Signs Walk.* HNC. (½ hour, on site)

3:00 pm *The How, When & Where of the Gorge – Park geology, history, plants and animals.* Meet at Inspiration Point parking lot. (1 hour, ½ mile)

**MONDAY**

10:00 am *Wild Animal Walk – Birds, Bugs and Other Critters.* Meet at Highbanks Camper Recreation Building. (1 hour, ½ mile)

1:00 pm *Meet Marvin the Mastodon.* HNC. (½ hour, on site)

2:00 pm *Nature Walk.* HNC. (1 hour, ½ mile)

3:30 pm *Vultures and a View* – Meet at Mount Morris Dam Overlook (1 hour, on site)

**TUESDAY**

10:00 am *Predators of Letchworth.* Meet at Highbanks Camper Recreation Building. (½ hour, on site)

1:00 pm *In This Moving Age: The Story behind Mary Heywood Shumway’s Painting.* Meet in William Pryor Letchworth Museum. (½ hour, on site)

2:00 pm *Sensory Nature Hike.* HNC. (1 hour, ½ mile)

3:00 pm *Things with Wings and Not So Creepy Crawlers.* Meet at Trout Pond. (1 hour, on site)

**WEDNESDAY**

10:00 am *Plant & Animal Walk.* Meet at Highbanks Camper Recreation Building. (1 hour, ½ mile)

1:00 pm *Before the Time of Dinosaurs.* Stories that fossils tell. Meet in William Pryor Letchworth Museum. (½ hour, on site)

2:00 pm *Steps into the Past.* Geology and old growth forest. Meet by Octagon Building at Lower Falls parking lot, past Cabin Area “B” (lots of steps and muddy spots). (1 hour, ½ mile)

7:00 pm *Learn About Letchworth Series.* HNC. (See Summer Calendar)

**THURSDAY**

10:00 am *Let’s Talk about Ticks.* Meet at Highbanks Camper Recreation Building. (½ hour, on site)

1:00 pm *The Iroquois of the Genesee Valley.* Meet in William Pryor Letchworth Museum. (½ hour, on site)

2:00 pm *White-tail World.* HNC. (½ hour, on site)

3:00 pm “Sehgahunda” Valley. Park geology, history, plants and animals. Meet at Middle Falls Viewfinder. (1 hour, ½ mile)

**FRIDAY**

10:00 am *Nature Table.* Meet at Highbanks Camper Recreation Building. (½ hour, on site)

11:00 am *Nature Scavenger Hunt.* HNC. (1 hour, on site)

1:00 pm *What’s all the Fur About.* Mammal program. Meet in William Pryor Letchworth Museum. (1½ hour, on site)

2:00 pm *Butterfly Garden.* HNC. (½ hour, on site)

3:00 pm *What a View.* Park geology, history, plants and animals. Meet at Archery Field Overlook. (1 hour, on site)

**SATURDAY**

10:00 am *Letchworth Wildlife Table.* Meet at Highbanks Camper Recreation Building. (1 hour, on site)

11:00 am *Walk into the Old Growth.* HNC. (1 hour, ½ mile)

1:00 pm *The Life of Mary Jemison.* Meet in William Pryor Letchworth Museum. (1 hour, on site)

2:00 pm *Geodashing.* HNC. (1½ hour, ½ mile)

3:00 pm *Predators of Letchworth.* Meet at Visitor Center. (1½ hour, on site)

7:00 pm *Live Animal Show.* Meet at Highbanks Camper Recreation Building. (1 hour, on site)

**DVD/VIDEOS:** for viewing upon request at the William Pryor Letchworth Museum

- *Echoes from the Glen – The Legacy of Letchworth* (28 minutes).
- *Balloons Over Letchworth* (20 minutes).
- *Mount Morris Dam* (12 minutes).