



# Lake Erie Nature & Science Center

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## **NATURAL INSPIRATION AND FAMILY FUN FOR SPRING BREAK AND BEYOND LAKE ERIE NATURE & SCIENCE CENTER OFFERS EGG HUNTS, LASER LIGHTS & MORE**

Bay Village, Ohio --- Lake Erie Nature & Science Center will offer up a host of activities throughout the month of April including a Spring Break week jam-packed with star shows, laser lights (back for one week-only!) and "green" family film fest. There's also a free, hands-on live animal program; plus Good Friday egg hunts, which require pre-registration and are filling up fast. The Center is closed on Easter Sunday, but is otherwise open daily, including weekends from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission to the Center, which is a donor-funded non-profit organization, is free!

Lake Erie Nature & Science Center is also currently taking registration for summer camps and a Saturday, May 2, Rain Barrel Workshop that will allow you to capture Mother Nature's water to nurture your garden and lawn. The hands-on rain barrel program is for adults or families with children 8 and older. Participants will be guided step by step, from 9 a.m. to noon, as they make their own rain barrel to take home. Sign up as an individual or make it a family project, but keep in mind that only adults are permitted to operate power tools used in construction. The \$80 fee includes all of the materials to make one rain barrel. Pre-registration is required and you can call 440-871-2900 to sign up.

April Program Details:

### **Girl Scout Summer Day Camp Registration**

Begins Tuesday, April 7 at 10 a.m.

Registration for the June, Girl Scout Back to Nature Day Camp is taken in person at Lake Erie Nature & Science Center, 28728 Wolf Road in Bay Village, AND over the phone at (440) 871-2900 x211.

### **Eggstravaganza**

Friday, April 10

For children ages 1 - 5 with an adult from 2 - 3 p.m.- *New time added!*

(9 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. are wait-listing)

For children ages 5 - 8 with an adult from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

What's more fun than a good old-fashioned egg hunt and a visit with one of our resident long-eared hoppers? Weather not cooperating? We'll move our hunt inside! Pre-registration required! Fee: \$5/child. Call (440) 871-2900 x211 to register.

### **Meet An Animal - Predators!**

Saturday, April 11 at 3 p.m.

For all ages

Furred, feathered and scaled animals will be featured at this free, family-friendly, hands-on, drop-in program.

### **Schuele Planetarium Spring Break Specials**

**Twinkling Stars ♦ Laser Lights ♦ Family Film Fest**

Monday - Sunday, April 13 - 19

Head to [www.lensc.org](http://www.lensc.org) to check out our jam-packed Spring Break Week Planetarium Schedule with fun, educational and affordable programs all day, every day including special editions of Twinkle Tots star shows, full-dome Laser Lights & Music, plus a "green," family-friendly Film Fest. This 30-45 minute compilation of short films is recommended for families with children ages 4 and up. Laser lights appeal to all ages.

### **Weekend Explorers - Nature's Builders**

Saturday, April 18 from 10 - 11 a.m.

For children ages 1 - 5 with an adult

We'll take a look around our natural world for evidence of animal home "construction sites." Learn all about nature's builders, listen to a story, make a craft, and meet a live animal! Fee: \$15/child; members \$10/child. Pre-registration required. Call (440) 871-2900 x211 to register.

### **Meet An Animal - African Giant Black Millipede**

April 25 at 3 p.m.

For all ages

There is always something fascinating about really big bugs! You'll have a chance to feel hundreds of tiny feet crawl across your hand at this free, family friendly, drop-in program.

### **Log Cabin Discoveries - Snakes**

April 28 from 10 - 11 a.m.

For ages: 4 - 6 years

Participants will discover the wonderful world of snakes through activities inside and out of our Log Cabin. Meet an animal, create an art project, move to music, hike and listen to a story. Fee: \$15/child; members \$10/child. Call (440) 871-2900 x211 to register.

### **Walter R. Schuele Planetarium - April Star Shows**

Monthly Skyquest: Wolf 359: Science Meets Science Fiction

Saturdays, April 4, 11, 18 & 25 at 2 p.m.

Fee: \$2/person

Saturdays, April 4 & 18 at 7 p.m.

Fee: \$3/person

The term "Wolf 359" has meaning for more than just science fiction fans. There really is a star by that name and it's closer than you think! Find out where Wolf 359 is this month, along with some other objects in our "neighborhood." Evening program on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays includes telescope viewing after the show, weather permitting.

Also in the planetarium:

Twinkle Tots - Thursdays & Saturdays - 11 a.m.

Fee: \$1/person (including infants)

Stellar Stars - Wednesdays - 11 a.m. & Saturdays - Noon

Fee: \$2/child

Backyard Astronomy - Saturdays - 1 p.m.

Fee: \$2/person

### **Rain Barrel Workshop**

Saturday, May 2 from 9 a.m. - Noon

For adults or families with children 8 and older

Fee: \$80 includes all of the materials you need to make one rain barrel

Make your own rain barrel to take home and begin using water straight from Mother Nature to nurture your garden and lawn. Save on home water costs and reduce the fossil fuels used to purify that Lake Erie tap water! You are welcome to build your barrel as an individual or make it a family project. We ask that children who participate are 8 years or older. ADULTS ONLY will operate power tools used in construction of the barrel. Pre-registration required. Call 440-871-2900 x211 to register.