



## **LBL's Nature Station Programs for Girl and Boy Scouts**

The following programs are offered for pre-scheduled groups throughout the operating season (March 1 – November 30). These programs have been developed specifically with the needs of scouts in mind and will help scouts of different age levels work towards a variety of different badges and other achievements.

We recommend that you schedule your group visit at least two weeks in advance. Reservations are handled on a first-come, first-serve basis, however, so the sooner you make your plans, the better chance you have of getting your preferred date and time. The prices listed for all programs include admission for the day to the Nature Station. Minimum group size is 10 paying participants.

**Reservations phone number: 270-924-2020**

**Nature Station phone number: 270-924-2299**

### **Self-Guided Tour**

*All ages. \$2 per person.*

Take advantage of our group admission rate by booking your group visit in advance. Our staff will make your visit extra special by introducing the scouts to a couple of our resident wildlife up close. Your group can enjoy the rest of the wildlife, gardens, and exhibits and the Nature Station at your own pace.

### **Wildlife Feature: Birds**

*Recommended for ages 6 and up. \$3 per person.*

From tiny hummingbirds to grand bald eagles, let's explore the diversity of our native birds. Our staff will introduce you to several live birds, including owls, a hawk, and a bald eagle, as we learn about bird adaptations, communication, and migration. We'll also learn to identify different birds by using binoculars to observe the many species that visit our bird feeders.

### **Wildlife Feature: Mammals**

*Recommended for ages 6 and up. \$3 per person.*

Let's learn about the group of animals closest to our own heart – mammals! What makes a mammal a mammal? Which mammals live in the wild near you? How can you recognize signs that they are around? Meet some of our native mammals, such as the bobcat, deer, and red wolf, as we discover how these animals survive in the wild and interact with their environment. Have fun as you become a mammal expert!

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### **Wildlife Feature: Reptiles and Amphibians**

*Recommended for ages 6 and up. \$3 per person.*

Snakes, turtles, salamanders, frogs . . . do you think these critters are awesome or awful? Our staff will show you several live reptiles and amphibians up close. Find out how these unusual creatures survive in the wild and what makes reptiles and amphibians different from each other. We'll also teach you how to identify our native species of venomous snakes.

### **Wildlife Feature: Rare & Endangered**

*Recommended for ages 7 and up. \$3 per person.*

Which endangered species live in your state? Join our staff for a guided tour of some of the wildlife at the Nature Station that are either currently rare or have made a comeback in the past, such as the bald eagle, red wolf, and alligator snapping turtle. Discover what makes some animals more prone to becoming endangered, which endangered species live in our area, and how people can help.

### **Backyard Safari: Secrets of Survival**

*Recommended for ages 7 and up. \$3 per person.*

Animals have all the tools they need to protect themselves, find food, and survive within their habitats. Your group will go for a staff-guided tour of the resident wildlife at the Nature Station to observe these creatures first hand and learn about the amazing adaptations they use to survive.

### **Backyard Safari: Web of Life**

*Recommended for ages 7 and up. \$3 per person.*

As we visit the animals in the Nature Station's backyard, your scouts will explore relationships between animals, plants, and their environment. From food webs to predator-prey interactions, we will examine the many connections between different organisms in the ecosystem.

### **Nature Hike**

*Recommended for ages 6 and up. \$4 per person.*

Let's go for a hike! As we make our way through the woods and to the lakeshore, we will search for clues about the animals and plants that live here. Through activities and observations, scouts will learn about features of the forest ecosystem such as wildlife signs, common trees, and poisonous plants.

### **Pond Prowl**

*Recommended for ages 5 and up. \$4 per person.*

Are you ready to "dip in" and search the wet, the muddy, and the mysterious? Your scouts will use dip nets and magnifiers to explore life in a pond and learn about the adaptations, behaviors, and life cycles of the tiny creatures that live in this habitat.