



# Steele Creek Park's Spring Nature Activities!

## *Nature Events*

Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 am – 2:00 pm

**Tree Keepers Seminar!** Join us for a day filled with practical workshops on how to select, plant, maintain, and identify trees. There will be door prizes and a light breakfast and lunch will be served. There is a \$10 fee for this event and you can **register and pay online at <http://bristoltn.recdesk.com>** or call 423.764.4023 to sign up!

March 28<sup>th</sup> – April 1<sup>st</sup>

**Spring Break Nature Camp (Grades 3 – 6):** Birds, bugs and butterflies, games and activities, frogs and snakes: this camp will have it all! The camp runs from 8:30 am until noon daily. Camp is capped at 15 participants, so register early! The fee for this camp is \$50, \$60 if registered after March 18<sup>th</sup>. **To secure your place, register and pay online by going to <http://bristoltn.recdesk.com>** or call 423.989.5616 for more information.

Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> 9:00 am - Noon

**Earth Day Lake Cleanup!** Join park staff and the Friends of Steele Creek Nature Center and Park at the Nature Center for a clean-up of our park! Bags, gloves, and refreshments will be provided.

## *Nature Programs*

Sunday March 20<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am

**1<sup>st</sup> Day of Spring Walk:** Meet Don at Rooster Front Park (located just off Vance Drive) on the Vernal Equinox for an easy walk looking for evidence of the newly-arriving spring!

Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup> 1:00 pm

**Spring Wildflower Walk:** Meet Larry at the Nature Center for an easy walk looking for some of the first living gems of the warmer months. This walk will focus on the quick-blooming ephemerals and could be an excellent photo opportunity!

Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm

**Plants and Pollinators:** Meet Don at the park Conference Room for a short slideshow on plants and their pollinators, then, take a walk looking for them in the wild!

Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> 9:30 am

**Spring Migration Bird Walk:** Hearing is believing, and oh yeah, so is seeing! Meet Larry at the Nature Center for a moderate walk looking for migrating songbirds, waterfowl, hawks and more!

Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> 11:00 am

**Ecology Creek Walk:** Meet Don at the Mill Creek parking lot (located on Broad Street) for a foray into the creeks! We'll search for critters and assess the health of our streams. Wear shoes and clothes that can get wet!

Friday May 27<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm

**Spring Butterfly Foray:** Meet Larry at the nature center for an easy hike looking for these warm-weather gems of the skies. Bring a camera if you have one!

## *Summer Nature Camps*

- Feathered Flyers Camp Ages 7-9, June 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>**
- Eco Awareness & Discovery Camp Ages 7 – 9, June 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>**
- Young Scientists Camp - Ages 7 - 9, June 20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>**
- Geology Rocks Camp Ages 10-13 , June 27<sup>th</sup> – July 1<sup>st</sup>**
- Nature Photography Camp, Ages 10 - 13, July 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>**
- Aquatic Ecology Camp - Ages 10-13, July 18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>**

The Camp fee is \$50 per camp per child, \$60 if paid after May 27<sup>th</sup>. Camps are limited to 15 participants. **To secure your place, register and pay online at <http://bristoltn.recdesk.com>.** Partial camp scholarships are available upon a need-based request. For more information, call the Nature Center at 423-989-5616, or email [jstout@bristoltn.org](mailto:jstout@bristoltn.org).