

MOHICAN STATE PARK NATURALIST PROGRAMS



December 2021

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Breakfast with Santa

December 4, 18, 19 & 23, 2021

Santa: 8:30 AM – 11 AM

Join Santa for breakfast at the Mohican State Park Lodge & Conference Center!

Come get your picture taken with Santa Clause!

- Pictures with Santa are **FREE!** Bring your cellphone or camera for photos!
- Breakfast Buffet is \$12.95 for adults and \$5.95 for kids 10 and under. Ends at 10:30 AM.

Breakfast Buffet includes:

- Scrambled Eggs, Breakfast Potatoes, Sausage Gravy & Biscuits, Pancakes, Bacon, Sausage Patties, and Cranberry-Almond Oatmeal.



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Thursday, December 2nd

4:30 PM Reptile Feeding

Join the naturalist at the nature center, next to the commissary in the state park campground, for an informal feeding session for some of our scaly friends.

Nature Center

Daily Hours: 10 AM- 4 PM (Self-Guided)

Naturalists will be at the nature center at various times throughout the day.

To speak to a naturalist, please call:
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Friday, December 3rd

3 PM Afternoon Owl Prowl

Join the naturalist at the Covered Bridge for an easy 4-mile hike. Hikers will learn about the different owl species that call Mohican home and the naturalist will attempt to call one in. Water, hiking boots, and walking sticks recommended.

Saturday, December 4th

9 AM – 3 PM Loudonville Christmas Parade & Shop Hop

Come join Smokey Bear and the Mohican State Park crew and enjoy the sights and sounds of the holiday season with our annual parade. The parade starts at 2:00 pm. Line-Up starts from 1:00 – 1:30 pm. Downtown stores are open with holiday sales and refreshments.



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See description on attached flier.



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Thursday, December 16th

4:30 PM Reptile Feeding

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Saturday, December 18th

3 PM Winter Bird Feeding

Join the naturalist to learn how to attract birds to your feeders. Come and learn about some of the different species you are more likely to see at our feeders and who is still hanging out here at Mohican even in the winter! Meet at the nature center, next to the commissary in the state park campground.



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Thursday, December 30th

4:30 PM Reptile Feeding

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Sunday, December 19th

8:30 – 11 AM Breakfast with Santa

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Saturday, January 1

1 - 3 PM **A Glance at the Grist Mill**

Meet the naturalist at the parking area in front of our historic 1831 Wolf Creek Grist Mill, off State Route 3, a half mile from the state park class A campground. We will have the mill and grounds open to explore and will be onsite to provide historical information and stories. Wear appropriate warm clothes, as the buildings will not be heated. There is also a moderate 1-mile loop trail available to hike starting from the front doors of the mill.



4:30 PM **Reptile Ramblings @ the Lodge**

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Friday, January 7th

1 PM **How to make a Hiking Stick**



Join the naturalist in the commissary, in the state park Class A Campground to learn the art of making a hiking stick.

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Saturday, January 8th

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Sunday, January 9th

10 AM **16th Annual Winter Hike**

Come join the Mohican crew as we continue a wonderful winter tradition of completing our annual winter hike!

Winter is an excellent season to see native wildlife, birds and majestic trees while hiking and there are more than enough scattered throughout the different winter hiking areas of the park!

The hike begins at the commissary, which is located at the park's Class A campground, just outside Loudonville on State Route 3 in Ashland County.

Three general hikes include a 5K, a longer 10K and an interpretive hike are planned. Trails run from moderate to difficult. Sponsored by the park and the Mohican Trails Club; this event is **FREE** and open to the public.



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Thursday, January 13th

4:30 PM Reptile Feeding

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Friday, January 14th

1 PM Archery on the Range

Meet the naturalist at the archery range located across from the state park campground off State Route 3 to learn some basic archery skills. Equipment will be provided during this program. Only bows provided by the naturalist may be used for the program.

Free registration is required. To register, leave a voicemail on the naturalist phone at: (419) 265-5848. Please provide the number and age of registrants and contact information.



Saturday, January 15th

1 - 3 PM A Glance at the Grist Mill

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Friday, January 21st

11 AM Mid-Day Owl Prowl



Join the naturalist at the Covered Bridge for an easy 4-mile hike. Hikers will learn about the different owl species that call Mohican home and the naturalist will attempt to call one in. Water, hiking boots, and walking sticks recommended.

Saturday, January 22nd

1 - 3 PM A Glance at the Grist Mill

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Thursday, January 27th

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Friday, January 28th

1 PM **How to make a Hiking Stick**



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Saturday, January 29th

1 - 3 PM **A Glance at the Grist Mill**

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Every Other Thursday: Feb 10 & 24

4:30 PM Reptile Feeding

Join the naturalist at the nature center, next to the commissary in the state park campground, for an informal feeding session for some of our scaly friends.



Fridays: Feb. 4, 11, 18 & 25

11 AM Cast Iron Cooking

Join the naturalist at the historic North Shelter House constructed in the 1930's by the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC), located at the very end of State Park Road 939, just past the Mohican State Forest Headquarters, for a cast iron cooking demonstration. Visitors will learn a new recipe as well as the history and uses of cast iron cooking and even might get to taste a spoonful of what's on the fire.

Recipes are for demonstration/tasting only.



4 PM Kayak Try-Outs @ the Lodge



Try your hand at Kayaking in a safe environment. If you have ever been interested in purchasing or renting a kayak, but were not sure how you would like it or if you would feel comfortable and safe in one, this is your opportunity to dip your toes in.

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Saturdays: Feb. 5, 12, 19 & 26

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