



Oakland Nature Preserve, Inc.

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Spring & Summer 2010

Monthly Programs

The Oakland Nature Preserve,
is proud to offer a series of permanent free programs for the general public to attend
and enjoy. Please check our website for the times and dates of our special events,
nature lectures or visiting scholars and special programs that are not offered routinely.

I) Take a Hike! *With the Oakland Nature Preserve*

When: 3rd Saturday of EVERY Month 2:00pm (Starts May 15)

Where: Meet at the ONP Visitor Center at 2:00pm

Info: Join naturalist, Clayton Louis Ferrara on a guided tour of the preserve. Learn about the history of ONP and the history of Florida. Learn how to tell a seepage spring from a sinkhole and a pine flat-woods from an Oak hammock. Learn about the birds, the bees and everything in-between. The Group assembles in the visitor center before hitting the trails at 2pm. Please bring water and cool sunglasses.

II) Director of Education's Lecture Series

"The Nature of Our Nature" by Clayton Louis Ferrara

When: 1st Thursday of EVERY Month 7:00pm-8:00pm

Where: The ONP Visitor Center

Info: Join our Director of Education and Biologist in Residence for a free lecture on the plants, animals and habitats of Florida. Visit www.OaklandNaturePreserve.org for the month's lecture topic. (Hot Tea Will be Served)

III) The Central Florida Insect Enthusiasts Meeting and Lecture

When: 1st Saturday of EVERY Month 10:00am-11:00am

Where: Guided Insect Safari will follow

Info: Join our insect scientists as they take you on a guided insect catching tour of the preserve. Learn how to catch, identify, preserve and admire Insects!
Great for Children and Adults of all ages!

IV) The Central Florida Herpetological Society Monthly Meeting

When: 1st Tuesday of EVERY Month 7:00pm-9:00pm (Starts June 1st)

Where: The ONP Visitor Center

Info: Join Club President Jim Peters as we explore the wonder of reptiles and amphibians from around the world. Meet other hobbyists, animal breeders, students and experts who share an appreciation for reptiles and amphibians. Each meeting has a lecture by a visiting expert and a Q&A session to follow. Light refreshments served.

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V) Friends Of Lake Apopka (FOLA) Monthly Meeting

When: May 6th, July 1st, September 2nd, November 4th 5:00pm

Where: The ONP Visitor Center

Info: Join the group that saved Lake Apopka! Meetings are free and open to the public. Learn about Lake Apopka and get involved with the next steps to protecting the lake. Plan future use proposals and volunteer to be an advocate of the lake. Perfect for High school or College students looking to get involved with a volunteer or public service project!

VI) The Central Florida Turtle & Tortoise Club Monthly Meeting

When: 3rd Tuesday of EVERY Month 7:00pm-9:00pm

Where: The ONP Visitor Center

Info: Nothing on earth is quite like a turtle. Join the local Turtle and Tortoise club for their meetings and lectures on turtles. Learn about turtle care and turtle biology. Visit TurtleAndTortoiseClubOfFlorida.com for more info (Turtles are Welcome).

VII) Garden of WEEDIN' Group

When: EVERY Wednesday of Every Month 8:00am-12pm

Where: Meet in the ONP Parking Lot

Info: If you enjoy coming to the Oakland Nature Preserve please show your love by helping us restore our beautiful preserve. Earn volunteer hours, learn about habitat restoration and know how to identify the native plants of Florida amongst invasives.