

Saturday, April 01, 2017

Campfire Program – Nature at Night

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

The Reserve at Rancho Mission Viejo Headquarters

Join us around the campfire for an evening of stories, songs and s'mores. Sit by the fire as you hear legends and stories of nocturnal animals found on The Reserve. Dress warmly and bring your own camp chair as we sing and celebrate nature at night!

Reserve Supporters are invited to arrive at 6:30pm to bring and enjoy their own picnic dinner prior to the start of the program. If you are not a Reserve supporter, please visit our Supporter page to sign up.

Ages: 6 and up

General Admission: \$5.00

Supporter: Free

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April 03, 2017

Monday Trail Clearing and Weeding

7:30 am – 9:30 am

The Richard and Donna O'Neill Conservancy

Join Reserve staff for a Monday morning maintaining our trails!

Ages: 10 and up

Volunteers: Free

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Saturday, April 15, 2017

NABA Butterfly Walk

9:00 am – 11:00 am

The Richard and Donna O'Neill Conservancy

Come explore with amateur butterfly enthusiast Lee Shoemaker and learn to identify butterflies – a relaxing and fun activity. How many species will we find during our walk through the ever-changing palette of habitats? Learn how to recognize our common butterflies. Find out about hill topping and territorial behavior as you hike the trails of The Reserve.

Ages: 12 and up

Adult: \$10.00

Child: \$5.00

Supporter: Free

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Tuesday, April 18, 2017

Bird Walk

8:00 am – 11:00 am

The Richard and Donna O'Neill Conservancy

Would you like to learn to identify some of our local feathered friends? Are you ready to start your "life list?" Enjoy a weekday spring morning with docent and bird enthusiast Gary Meredith, while quietly combing The Reserve for our resident and migrant birds. We encourage you to bring binoculars and a field guide if you have them.

Ages: 10 and up

Adult: \$10.00

Child: \$5.00

Supporter: Free

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Tuesday, April 18, 2017

Lecture: Wildflowers from A to Z – (Almost) Everything You Want to Know about Local Native Wildflowers

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Ranch House in Rancho Mission Viejo

After winter rains, The Reserve teems with an endless array of wildflowers. Join us as botanist Tony Bomkamp presents interesting facts (with photos) about many of the most picturesque wildflowers popping up along our hillsides and in our back country.

Ages: 8 and up

General Admission: Free

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Saturday, April 22, 2017

Earth Day Wildflower Walk

9:00 am – 11:30 am

The Richard and Donna O'Neill Conservancy

Enjoy the springtime beauty of wildflowers out on The Reserve. Explore ridges and canyons looking for spring wildflowers with guest botanist Tony Bomkamp. You'll see some of the more common spring wildflowers and may discover some uncommon ones as well.

Ages: 8 and up

Adult: \$10.00

Child: \$5.00

Supporter: Free

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Sunday, April 23, 2017

Ridge to Ridge Hike and Picnic

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

The Richard and Donna O'Neill Conservancy

Enjoy spring on The Reserve with a 3.5 mile loop hike. This hike will traverse along Middle Ridge to North Ridge with breathtaking views and chances to see wildflowers along the trail.

Bring along a picnic lunch to enjoy at the end of the hike.

Ages: 12 and up

Adult: \$10.00

Child: \$5.00

Supporter: Free

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Saturday, April 29, 2017

Astronomy Night

8:15 pm – 10:15 pm

The Richard and Donna O'Neill Conservancy

Orange County Stars

Visitors traveling to sparsely populated areas are usually delighted to discover how many more stars are visible than at home. If you've not yet caught a glimpse of the Milky Way, come out to The Reserve for Astronomy Night where you can still view many more celestial phenomena than elsewhere in urbanized Orange County!

Enjoy an evening outdoors, as you gaze into the heavens, learn the constellations, and peer through the telescopes of our volunteer astronomers. Reserve astronomers are all volunteers who enthusiastically share their telescopes and expert sky knowledge with you. (BRING: Warm clothing, Red cellophaned flashlight, binoculars, optional beach chair.)

Ages: 8 and up

Adult: \$10.00

Child: \$5.00

Supporter: Free

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