

Connect with Nature @ Fluvanna Library 2024

REGISTRATION REQUIRED! Registration starts Monday, May 6

June 4 – The Bees in My Garden - Join us at the Library on Tuesday, June 4 at 10 am as Beekeepers Karen & Ken Hall help us learn the important role these pollinators play in our local ecosystem. We will get a close up look at a living honeybee demonstration hive, see how native bees make their homes, make our own Orchard bee house, and learn how to improve your own gardens by planting nectar plants to take home for the bees. (Ages 5 and up)

June 11 – A Garden for Butterflies and Bees - Join us at the Pleasant Grove Park Butterfly Garden behind the Pleasant Grove House and near the Community Garden on Tuesday, June 11 at 10 am. We will learn why this month is National Pollinator Month, about butterflies, bees, and other pollinators and about the plants that attract them. We will go on a scavenger hunt and create native bee boxes and butterfly puddling stations. Dress for the outdoors and bring a water bottle. (Ages 5 and up with an adult/guardian present)

June 18 – Birds: Bluebirds and more – Join us on Tuesday, June 18 at 10 am at the library. We will learn about the enchanting Bluebird, its habitat, nesting, and flight habits and maybe peek at some nesting Bluebirds. We will learn about all sorts of other birds too, play some games and do some take home crafts. (Ages 5 and up)

June 25 – Days of the Past: Farm Museum Tour - Join us on Tuesday, June 25 at 10 am at the Pleasant Grove Park Farm Museum (behind the house and across from the bathrooms). We will tour the Farm Museum and learn about farming in Fluvanna during the 1800's and early 1900's. We will see tools and machinery used by farmers, who lived off the land. (Ages 5 and up with an adult/guardian present)

July 2 – Holiday week – no program

July 9 – Spiders: Fierce Foes or Amazing Friends – Join us at the library on Tuesday, July 9 at 10 am to learn more about spiders. Should we be afraid of spiders or not be afraid? We will explore some myths and fables about spiders; how ancient people felt and how people around the world today feel about spiders. We will discuss books and movies in which spiders play key roles, e.g. Charlotte's Web, Harry Potter, and Spiderman. We will play *Spider Trivia* and make a special *spider* craft. (Ages 5 and up)

July 16 – Fairy Gardens Galore – Join us at the library on Tuesday, July 16 at 10 am to build your own fairy garden. We will provide everything you need to build a fairy garden to take home. Let your creative juices flow!! (Ages 5 and up)

July 23 – Survival Skills 101 – Join us at the picnic shelter nearest the Pleasant Grove Dog Park at 10 am on Tuesday, July 23 where we will see a 30-minute presentation of the 4 basic survival skill sets: shelter, water, fire, and food, followed by demonstrations of activities related to each skill set. Bring a water bottle. Rain or Shine event. (Ages 9 and older with an adult/guardian present)

July 30 – The Lives and Wonder of Trees Hike – Join us on Tuesday, July 30 at 10 am at the library as we learn all about trees and their importance to us, nature, and life in a forest. We will walk the tree arboretum trail behind the library, learn how to identify trees, and complete a scavenger hunt worksheet that you can turn in at the library for a prize. Wear comfortable walking shoes (no flip flops, please) and bring a water bottle. (Ages 5 and up)

THANK YOU to the Fluvanna Master Gardeners & Master Naturalists and their volunteers for organizing and offering these programs! Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library