

**Bellevue Parks & Community Services**  
**Events List**  
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**SEPTEMBER 2013**

- Sept 1**      **“A Murder of Crows” (Movie)**, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Crows are widely thought of as nuisance animals, but recent research has given new insight into the minds of crows. Gain a new understanding of these social animals and their stunning mental capabilities, including facial recognition! Running time is 60 minutes. **Ages:** 12 years and older. **Cost:** Free! Donations will be gratefully accepted. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Sept 6**      **“Adventures of Riley: Survival of the Salmon” by Amanda Lumry (Children’s Activity)**, 11 a.m. – noon and 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. (two sessions, choose one)  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Join Riley and Alice as they attempt to crack a fishy mystery. Why are Pacific Salmon thriving while North Atlantic Salmon are endangered? We always make a fun craft to take home! **Ages:** 3 years and older. **Cost:** \$2 for residents and \$3 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, courses #75865 and #75867. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Sept 7**      **Lewis Creek Park Ranger Hike**, 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Join a Park Ranger in exploring the natural history of Lewis Creek Park. Look for signs of local wildlife, and learn what to do when encountering animals in the wild. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Sept 7**      **Lake Hills Blueberry Festival/Open House**, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
*Lake Hills Elementary School, 14310 SE 12<sup>th</sup> Street*  
Join us for this event, celebrating “back to school” and our area’s rich blueberry harvest. In addition, Lake Hills Elementary School teachers will be available from 10:45 to 11:30 a.m. to meet with students and their families. Sponsored by numerous community partners, including the City’s Wrap-Around Services program, this event brings together the Lake Hills neighborhood, Lake Hills Elementary School and the broader community. **Ages:** All ages. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-456-5312.

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- Sept 8**      **Hot Topics in Washington Conservation: The Wilderness Act,**  
2 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room,  
1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
The Wilderness Act was signed into law in 1964 “in order to assure that an increasing population, accompanied by expanding settlement and growing mechanization, does not occupy and modify all areas within the United States...” Join us to learn about Washington State’s wilderness areas, their controversies and the future of our wilderness lands. **Ages:** Best for ages 12 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.
- Sept 8**      **“Build It Beaver” (Children’s Movie),** 2 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Join the adventures of the Kratt Brothers as they meet up with cool creatures from around the world. Each episode is an adventure that also features how animals use science in their natural lives. Running time is 30 minutes. **Ages:** 3 years and older. **Cost:** Free! Donations will be gratefully accepted. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Sept 10**     **Back to School Dance,** 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.  
*North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*  
The “Sound of Swing” will perform for your dancing pleasure. **Ages:** 18 years and older. **Cost:** \$3 per person, payable at the door. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-7681.
- Sept 11**     **Honoring Our Elders Community Breakfast,** 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.  
*Crossroads Community Park, 999 164<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*  
In celebration of our National Day of Services and Remembrance, the City of Bellevue, Bellevue Police and Fire Departments, Microsoft and Hyatt Bellevue are sponsoring a breakfast event. The event features a warm breakfast, catered by the Hyatt’s Eques Restaurant, senior resource fair, entertainment and giveaways provided by Microsoft. Event is rain or shine. **Ages:** Breakfast is for people 60 years and older. **Cost:** Free, while supplies last. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-7681.
- Sept 14**     **Harvest Festival,** 10 a.m. - noon  
*Lake Hills Master Gardeners Urban Demonstration Garden, 15500 SE 16<sup>th</sup> Street*  
After a great growing season, come join the Master Gardeners to celebrate the harvest. Past years have included tomato tastings and harvest-related demonstrations. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** Pat Naselow, Master Gardeners – 425-531-1694.

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- Sept 14**      **The Food Chain (Family Activity)**, 1p.m. – 2 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
All living things depend on each other to survive. Who do you depend on? Learn about the web of life as you create your very own food chain model to take home!  
**Ages:** 6 years and older. **Cost:** \$2 for residents and \$3 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course #75881. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Sept 15**      **Tree Walk**, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
Come learn about the native trees in your neighborhood! We'll be going on a tree walk to learn how trees fit into our urban ecosystem and why they're so valuable.  
**Ages:** All ages are welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required.  
**Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.
- Sept 17**      **Naturalization Ceremony**, 11 a.m. - Noon  
*Bellevue City Hall, Council Chambers, 450 110<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*  
Approximately 50 new citizens of the United States will be naturalized in this official ceremony. This event will feature a keynote speaker, musical performance and a taped announcement from President Barack Obama. The ceremony will be streamed live on the City of Bellevue's web site and on BTV.  
**Info:** Kevin Henry – [khenry@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:khenry@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7886.
- Sept 18**      **Farm Hands – Welcome to the Farm**, 1:30 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*  
Our Farm Hands program is designed for school-aged kids with early release on Wednesdays. Blend a touch of work and a dash of play, and mix together for a fun afternoon with Farmer Jayne. We'll learn about our animals, make treats and work in the farm yard. **Ages:** 5 to 8 years old. **Cost:** \$25/residents and \$30/non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** Call 425-452-7688 to register for course #75720. **Info:** [kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7688.
- Sept 21**      **EZ Rocks Skate for a Cure**, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
*Bellevue Skate Park, 14224 Bel-Red Road*  
This first annual EZ Rocks Skate for a Cure event is a competitive skateboarding event that has been established to raise awareness about Adrenoleukodystrophy (ALD). The event will also raise funds to support the establishment of newborn screening programs for the early detection of rare childhood diseases such as ALD, and to provide academic scholarships for at-need youth. The event is open to all age and skill levels. **Ages:** All ages and skill levels. **Cost:** \$15. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** <http://www.ezrocks.org/registration-form.html> **Info:** <http://www.ezrocks.org/>.

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- Sept 21**      **Coal Creek Park Hike**, 10 a.m. - noon  
*Meeting place: Redtown Trailhead (Cougar Mountain) on Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Discover Bellevue's largest park and get lost in the wilderness while still in the city! This area is rich in history and wildlife. Please dress for the weather, bring water, and wear sturdy shoes. Limited parking; we encourage carpooling.  
**Distance:** 5 miles. **Level of difficulty:** Moderate (380 feet elevation). **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Sept 21**      **Fraser Cabin Heritage Program**, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Fraser Cabin, Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*  
The Fraser Cabin, built in 1888 and located at Kelsey Creek Farm, comes to life with activities and interpretation presented by volunteers and staff from the Eastside Heritage Center. Visitors are invited to participate in hands-on activities that relate to 1880s settler life: agriculture, dairy, household tasks, log cabins, games and Eastside history. This program is presented by the Eastside Heritage Center in partnership with Bellevue Parks & Community Services. **Ages:** All ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** Eastside Heritage Center – 425-450-1049 or [www.eastsideheritagecenter.org](http://www.eastsideheritagecenter.org).
- Sept 21**      **Green Hour (Family Activity)**, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Join us every month for a Green Hour at Lewis Creek Park! Observe and explore the park during an hour of unstructured play and interaction with the natural world. Each month, creative, science-based ideas will have children and parents deepening their knowledge and love of nature together. **Ages:** 5 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Sept 22**      **Mountain Beavers (Living with Wildlife Series)**, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Not all beavers build dams! Come learn about another, more primitive rodent cousin to the North American Beaver that burrows instead of builds. Mountain beavers are not well known, but can create conflict due to their burrows. Learn how to identify signs of these elusive creatures, and how to prevent possible damage. **Ages:** 10 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Sept 27**      **Woof Walks in Nature**, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.  
*Meet at the Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16<sup>th</sup> Street*  
Join a Park Ranger and discover fascinating ecological facts about Bellevue's city parks. Bring your dog and learn how you can both help the city steward these valuable lands. All dogs must be on a leash. Please dress for the weather. **Ages:** All ages; we encourage families to attend. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-7225. **Info:** [LHarper@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:LHarper@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7225.

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- Sept 27**      **“NATURE: Animal House” (Movie)**, 5 p.m. – 6 p.m.  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room,  
1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
Some of the most amazing, creative and innovative structures on earth are not  
manmade or urban at all; they are residences built by animals in the natural world.  
Popcorn provided! **Ages:** Best for ages 5 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-**  
**registration:** Not required. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.
- Sept 28**      **I Love Bugs**, 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  
*Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24<sup>th</sup> Street*  
Parent and child go “buggy” together into the world of creepy crawlies and things  
that fly. Join us for crafts, stories, music and a yummy treat! Class is for  
caregiver and child. **Ages:** 2 to 5 years. **Cost:** \$20/residents and \$25/non-  
residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-4106, course  
#75799. **Info:** 425-452-4106.
- Sept 29**      **Tree Walk**, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room,  
1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
Come learn about the native trees in your neighborhood! We’ll be going on a tree  
walk to learn how trees fit into our urban ecosystem and why they’re so valuable.  
**Ages:** All ages are welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required.  
**Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.

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- Oct 4**      **A Log's Life (Children's Activity),**  
11 a.m. – noon, and 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. (two sessions, choose one)  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Learn about the life cycle of a tree, as well as the forest ecosystem. Be inspired to investigate trees in your own backyard! We always make a fun craft to take home. **Ages:** 3 years and older. **Cost:** \$2 for residents; \$3 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course 75868 or 75869. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Oct 5**      **The Great Northwest Glass Pumpkin Patch, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.**  
*Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24<sup>th</sup> Street*  
Wander through a pumpkin patch of 2,000 hand-blown, one-of-a-kind glass pumpkins made by artists at the Tacoma Glassblowing Studio. Pick your favorite to bring home or just come and see the beautiful handcrafted art. Rain or shine! **Ages:** All ages; children must be supervised by an adult. **Cost:** Free admission; prices vary for pumpkins, ranging from \$35 to \$200. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [NWAC@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:NWAC@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-4106.
- Oct 5**      **Lewis Creek Park Ranger Hike, 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Join a Park Ranger to explore the natural history of Lewis Creek Park. Look for signs of local wildlife, and learn what to do when encountering animals in the wild. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Oct 6**      **"Wolves: A Legend Returns to Yellowstone" (Movie), 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.**  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Wolves were hunted to near extinction, but conservation efforts helped to give them a comeback. Learn about the profound impact that the return of these animals to Yellowstone had on the whole park. Running time is 55 minutes. **Ages:** 12 years and older. **Cost:** Free! Donations will be gratefully accepted. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Oct 6**      **Bird Identification, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.**  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
Come learn some of the finer points of identifying the bird species of our area. We'll discuss field marks, bird songs and some good places to go birding nearby. We will focus on the birds of the Mercer Slough Nature Park. **Ages:** Best for ages 12 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.

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- Oct 8**           **Celebrate Autumn Dance**, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.  
*North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*  
The “Sound of Swing” will perform for your dancing pleasure. **Ages:** 18 years and older. **Cost:** \$3 per person, payable at the door. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-7681.
- Oct 12**           **Kelsey Creek Farm Fair**, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
*Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park, 410 140<sup>th</sup> Place SE*  
Bring your family to the farm and enjoy a variety of old-time activities: live entertainment, heritage demonstrations, kids’ crafts, tractor-pulled hay rides, pony rides and barnyard animals! No pets, please. **Ages:** Family event; all ages are welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** Free admission; costs vary for activities. Sorry, no ATM will be on site, and we cannot accept charge cards. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7688.
- Oct 12**           **Volunteer for Kelsey Creek Farm Fair Special Event**, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
*Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park, 410 140<sup>th</sup> Place SE*  
We are seeking energetic, fun teens to assist with children’s activities at Kelsey Creek Farm’s special event. Volunteers must be able to follow directions, be comfortable in crowds and be on your feet in all types of weather. This is a great way to earn your community service hours. Dress to work outside with the public. Wear sturdy shoes that can get wet. **Ages:** 14 to 18 years old. **Cost:** Free. **Pre-registration:** Required. **Info:** [kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7688.
- Oct 12**           **Fraser Cabin Heritage Program**, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park, 410 140<sup>th</sup> Place SE*  
Visitors are invited to participate in hands-on activities that relate to 1880s settle life: agriculture, dairy, household tasks, log cabins, games and Eastside history. This heritage program is presented by the Eastside Heritage Center, in partnership with Bellevue Parks & Community Services. **Ages:** Family event; all ages are welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** Free. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** Eastside Heritage Center – [www.eastsideheritagecenter.org](http://www.eastsideheritagecenter.org) or 425-450-1049.
- Oct 12**           **Colorful Fall: Why Do the Leaves Change?**, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Every fall a beautiful, but mysterious, event occurs. The trees become brilliant shades of red, yellow, orange and brown. Why does this change happen? Learn what makes deciduous trees lose their leaves, and why it is beneficial. **Ages:** 5 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

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- Oct 12**      **Autumn Leaves Dance**, 7 p.m. – 10 p.m.  
*North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*  
The “Sound of Swing” will perform for your dancing pleasure. **Ages:** 18 years and older. **Cost:** \$15 per person, payable at the door. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-7681.
- Oct 13**      **“Growing Up Wild: It’s a Hoot” (Children’s Movie)**, 2 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
From falcons and eagles to owls, find out how baby animals spend the day with their families. *Growing Up Wild* gives fun and entertaining insight into the animal kingdom. Running time is 30 minutes. **Ages:** 3 years and older. **Cost:** Free! Donations will be gratefully accepted. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Oct 13**      **A “Batty” Afternoon (Ranger Program)**, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
In recognition of Halloween, we’ll talk about bats! We’ll learn about what species are here, their habits and habitats, and how we can help conserve these amazing creatures. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.
- Oct 16**      **Farm Hands – Happy Halloween, Goats**, 1:30 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*  
Our Farm Hands program is designed for school-aged kids with early release on Wednesdays. Blend a touch of work and a dash of play, and mix together for a fun afternoon with Farmer Jayne. We’ll learn about our animals, make treats and work in the farm yard. **Ages:** 5 to 8 years old. **Cost:** \$25/residents and \$30/non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** Call 425-452-7688 to register for course #75721. **Info:** [kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7688.
- Oct 18**      **Who’s That at Your Birdfeeder?**, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.  
*Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16<sup>th</sup> Street*  
Bring Mom or Dad and join a Park Ranger to find out who lives in your backyard and might visit your bird feeder. You and your parent can make a birdfeeder to take home while the Ranger reads a story about birds. All children must be accompanied by a registered adult. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** \$2 for residents; \$3 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-7225. **Info:** [LHarper@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:LHarper@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7225.
- Oct 19**      **Lewis Creek to Lakemont Community Park Hike**, 10 a.m. to noon  
*Meeting place: Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
This lovely trail winds through green corridors to connect two of Bellevue’s most beautiful parks. **Distance:** 5 miles. **Level of difficulty:** Difficult (750 feet elevation). **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

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- Oct 19**      **Green Hour (Family Activity)**, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Join us the third Saturday of every month from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. for a *Green Hour* at Lewis Creek Park. Observe and explore the park during an hour of unstructured play and interaction with the natural world. Each month, creative, science-based ideas will have children and parents deepening their knowledge and love of nature together! **Ages:** 5 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Oct 20**      **Hot Topics in Washington State: Owls**, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
In recent history a new species of owl has moved into Washington State, while there have been more frequent sightings of another species that usually stays further north. Come find out who these creatures are, their habits, and how their habits can affect other species. **Ages:** 10 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Oct 20**      **A “Batty” Afternoon (Ranger Program)**, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
In recognition of Halloween, we’ll talk about bats! We’ll learn about what species are here, their habits and habitats, and how we can help conserve these amazing creatures. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.
- Oct 23**      **Crime Prevention Forum**, 6 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
*Bellevue Regional Library, 1111 110<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*  
This forum will feature guest speakers who will provide valuable information on topics such as internet scams, identity theft, burglary/car crimes, gang awareness and human trafficking. In addition, there will be breakout discussion groups and information on resources to fight crime. **Info:** Kevin Henry – [khenry@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:khenry@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7886.
- Oct 23**      **Halloween Howl**, 7 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.  
*Highland Community Center, 14224 Bel-Red Road*  
Dress up if you want, and dance with friends to a great night of fun music. Light refreshments will be provided. This dance is designed for teens and adults with intellectual disabilities. **Ages:** 16 years and older. **Cost:** \$9 for residents and \$11 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Preferred. **To register:** [www.MyParksandRecreation.com](http://www.MyParksandRecreation.com) . **Info:** 425-452-6105.

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- Oct 25**      **“NATURE: Jungle Eagle” (Nature Film)**, 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
Harpy eagles are one of the most powerful birds of prey in the world. Standing three feet tall, with a six-foot wingspan and razor-sharp talons the size of bear claws, these birds are the heavyweight hunters of the South American rainforest. This film contains predator-prey interactions which may not be appropriate for some younger viewers. Popcorn provided! **Ages:** Best for ages 7 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.
- Oct 25 – Nov 2**      **“The Mummy’s Revenge” (Bellevue Youth Theatre production)**,  
October 25, November 1 and 2 at 7 p.m.; and October 27, November 2 at 2 p.m.  
*Bellevue Youth Theatre, 16661 Northrup Way*  
Locked away in a museum, the mummy comes to life in a thrilling and enchanting Halloween adventure. **Ages:** This show is suitable for audiences of all ages. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** \$10/advance tickets, or \$12 if purchased after October 18. **Info and to buy tickets:** 425-452-7155.
- Oct 25 & 26**      **Haunted Miniature Golf (SBCC’s Spook Fest)**, 7 p.m. – 10 p.m.  
*South Bellevue Community Center, 14509 SE Newport Way*  
Join us for Spook Fest at SBCC! Miniature golf is fun, but playing it in the dark in a haunted atmosphere is even better. **Ages:** 7 years and older. Children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** \$5. **Pre-registration:** Not required, though you may pre-register. **To register:** 425-452-4240 or [www.MyParksandRecreation.com](http://www.MyParksandRecreation.com), course #75901. **Info:** 425-452-4240.
- Oct 25**      **Owl Prowl (Ranger Program)**, 7:30 p.m. – 9 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Discover what owl species live in the Pacific Northwest. Then take a night hike with a Ranger to look for owls and other nighttime wildlife in the park. Bring a flashlight or a headlamp and wear sturdy shoes for the journey! **Ages:** Best for ages 6 years and older. **Cost:** \$5 for residents and \$6 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. To register: 425-452-6885, course #75883. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Oct 26**      **Spook Fest Pancake Breakfast**, 8:30 a.m. – 10 a.m.  
*South Bellevue Community Center, 14509 SE Newport Way*  
Spook Fest will open with a pancake breakfast this year, bringing Halloween fun for your family – special treats for preschoolers and free Haunted Miniature Golf for the rest of the family. **Ages:** All ages; family event. **Cost:** \$5 per person; children 2 years and under eat for free. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-4240 or [www.MyParksandRecreation.com](http://www.MyParksandRecreation.com), course #75823. **Info:** 425-452-4240.

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- Oct 26**      **Drop-In Halloween Miniature Golf (SBCC's Spook Fest)**, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
*South Bellevue Community Center, 14509 SE Newport Way*  
Play nine holes of miniature golf with a Halloween theme! Fun for the whole family. **Ages:** 5 years and older. Children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** \$3/resident and \$4/non-resident. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [SBCC@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:SBCC@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-4240.
- Oct 26**      **Hal's Classic Tennis Match**, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
*Robinswood Tennis Center, 2400 151<sup>st</sup> Place SE*  
Doubles-only event. Teams play round robin matches with A/B/C divisions. **Ages:** Total ages of each team must be a minimum of 100 years. **Cost:** \$20 per person. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-7690; forms will be available September 9. **Info:** 425-452-7690.
- Oct 26**      **Pumpkin Pals**, 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  
*Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24<sup>th</sup> Street*  
Spend a fun-filled morning pondering the perfect pumpkin! Art, music, a yummy snack and a pumpkin relay race are some of the happy activities planned for the morning. **Ages:** 2 to 5 years. **Cost:** \$20/residents and \$25/non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-4106, course #75797. **Info:** 425-452-4106.
- Oct 26**      **The Great SBCC Pumpkin Race (SBCC's Spook Fest)**, 10 a.m. - noon  
*South Bellevue Community Center, 14509 SE Newport Way*  
Bring your decorated pumpkin, complete with wheels, to compete in Bellevue's third annual Pumpkin Race. Upon registration, you will receive basic directions to prepare your pumpkin for race day. Individuals, families and groups are encouraged participate and register. (Families and groups should designate one person to register.) Wheels will be available for purchase. **Ages:** 3 years and older. **Cost:** Race is free; wheel supplies are \$17. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-4240 or [www.MyParksandRecreation.com](http://www.MyParksandRecreation.com), course #75904. **Info:** 425-452-4240.
- Oct 26**      **"The Mummy's Revenge" Dessert Theatre (SBCC's Spook Fest)**,  
2 p.m. – 3 p.m. or 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
*South Bellevue Community Center, 14509 SE Newport Way*  
Locked in a museum, the mummy comes to life – and what happens next will thrill and enchant you! Journey to ancient Egypt, 1930s New Orleans and a closed museum. Enjoy the excitement of the story right next you, as the characters move in and out of the tables while you munch on delectable treats. **Ages:** 7 years and older. **Cost:** \$5 per person, or \$40 per table of 8. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-4240 or [www.MyParksandRecreation.com](http://www.MyParksandRecreation.com), course #75866 (2 p.m.) or #75899 (7 p.m.). Register each individual unless reserving a whole table. **Info:** 425-452-4240.

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**Oct 30**

**Halloween Luncheon, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

*North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*

Come out and enjoy lunch, and wear your favorite Halloween costume! Enjoy a great meal and fun music. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Suggested donation of \$3 per person for those 60 years and older; fee of \$6 for those under 60, payable at the door. **Pre-registration:** Required by October 21. **Info and to register:** 425-452-7681.

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**NOVEMBER 2013**

- Nov 1**      **The Very Best Bed (Children's Activity),**  
11 a.m. – noon, and 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. (two sessions, choose one)  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Where should the gray squirrel sleep? Go along as he searches for the very best bed. We always make a fun craft to take home. **Ages:** 3 years and older. **Cost:** \$2 for residents; \$3 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course 75873 or 75874. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Nov 2**      **Lewis Creek Park Ranger Hike, 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Explore the natural history of Lewis Creek Park with a Park. Look for signs of local wildlife, and learn what to do when encountering animals in the wild. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Nov 3**      **“Pale Male” (Movie), 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.**  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
“Pale Male” was the name given to a vivacious male red-tailed hawk that took up residence on Fifth Avenue in New York City. Follow along as he courts a mate, builds a penthouse nest, raises and protects his chicks and teaches them to thrive in the ultimate urban environment. Running time is 60 minutes. **Ages:** 12 years and older. **Cost:** Free! Donations will be gratefully accepted. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Nov 3**      **Invasive Species, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.**  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
Join us to learn about some of the invasive species in the Pacific Northwest. We'll discuss which species are invasive, why they are problematic and what can be done to stop them. **Ages:** Best for ages 12 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.
- Nov 8**      **Night Hike, 7:30 p.m. – 9 p.m.**  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
When the sun sets and the darkness sets in, Lewis Creek Park comes alive! Learn about the different nocturnal and crepuscular species that call Bellevue home, and join a Ranger on a hike through the woods after dark! Bring a flashlight or headlamp, and wear good shoes and warm clothes for the journey. **Ages:** 5 years and older. **Cost:** \$2 for residents; \$3 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course 75884. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

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- Nov 10**      **“Penguins on Parade” (Children’s Movie)**, 2 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Learn about growing up as a flightless bird. Growing Up Wild gives fun and entertaining insight into the animal kingdom. Running time is 30 minutes. **Ages:** 3 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Nov 10**      **Herons (Ranger Program)**, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
Did you know that the Mercer Slough Nature Park is home to a great blue heron rookery? We’ll learn what makes the Slough such a great home for these long-legged birds. **Ages:** All ages are welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.
- Nov 12**      **Veteran’s Day Dance**, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.  
*North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*  
The “Sound of Swing” will perform for your dancing pleasure. **Ages:** 18 years and older. **Cost:** \$3 per person, payable at the door. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-7681.
- Nov 13**      **Farm Hands – Cows, Butter and a Log Cabin**, 1:30 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*  
Our Farm Hands program is designed for school-aged kids with early release on Wednesdays. Blend a touch of work and a dash of play, and mix together for a fun afternoon with Farmer Jayne. We’ll learn about our animals, make treats and work in the farm yard. **Ages:** 5 to 8 years old. **Cost:** \$25/residents and \$30/non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** Call 425-452-7688 to register for course #75722. **Info:** [kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7688.
- Nov 14**      **A Pioneer Thanksgiving**, 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
*Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*  
Let’s celebrate Thanksgiving the old-fashioned way in our log cabin from 1888. With no electricity and indoor plumbing, how will we get all our chores done? We churn butter, grind wheat, play dress-up, pump water, and get our laundry done using muscles and willpower! Children must be potty trained. **Ages:** 3 to 6 years old. **Cost:** \$25/residents and \$30/non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** Call 425-452-7688 to register for course #75728. **Info:** [kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7688.

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- Nov 15**      **A Pioneer Thanksgiving**, 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
*Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*  
Let's celebrate Thanksgiving the old-fashioned way in our log cabin from 1888. With no electricity and indoor plumbing, how will we get all our chores done? We churn butter, grind wheat, play dress-up, pump water, and get our laundry done using muscles and willpower! Children must be potty trained. **Ages:** 3 to 6 years old. **Cost:** \$25/residents and \$30/non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** Call 425-452-7688 to register for course #75729. **Info:** [kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7688.
- Nov 15**      **Where Do the Animals Go in Winter?**, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.  
*Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16<sup>th</sup> Street*  
Did you know that some animals spend winter somewhere else and that some come here? Some animals can even change color at different times of year! Join a Park Ranger and figure out where the animals go to spend the winter. **Ages:** All ages; all children must be accompanied by a registered adult. **Cost:** \$2 for residents and \$3 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-7225. **Info:** [LHarper@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:LHarper@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7225.
- Nov 16**      **Weowna Park Ranger Hike**, 10:00 a.m. – noon  
*Meeting place: 168<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE and SE 19<sup>th</sup> Street (limited parking; we encourage carpooling)*  
Bridges, waterfalls and Bellevue's oldest trees live in Weowna Park. Explore this deep ravine that was restored using bioengineering techniques. **Distance:** 3 miles. **Level of difficulty:** Moderate (200 feet elevation). **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Nov 16**      **Green Hour (Family Activity)**, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Join us every month for a Green Hour at Lewis Creek Park! Observe and explore the park during an hour of unstructured play and interaction with the natural world. Each month, creative, science-based ideas will have children and parents deepening their knowledge and love of nature together. **Ages:** 5 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Nov 17**      **Hérons (Ranger Program)**, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
Did you know that the Mercer Slough Nature Park is home to a great blue heron rookery? We'll learn about what makes the Slough such a great home for these long-legged birds. **Ages:** All ages are welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.

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- Nov 17**      **Bobcats (Living with Wildlife series)**, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
How can you tell the difference between a bobcat and a cougar or housecat? Like most felines, bobcats are reclusive and sneaky, but they are out there! Find out how to recognize these short-tailed cats, and learn if they are feline friends or feline fiends. **Ages:** 10 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Nov 20**      **Thanksgiving Luncheon**, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
*North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*  
Join us as we serve you a delicious Thanksgiving feast. Entertainment provided. Co-sponsored by Catholic Community Services. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Suggest donation of \$3 per person for those 60 years and older; fee of \$6 for those under 60, payable at the door. **Pre-registration:** Required by November 10. **Info and to register:** 425-452-7681.
- Nov 23**      **Visions of Sugarplums**, 10 a.m. – 11:30 p.m.  
*Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24<sup>th</sup> Street*  
Jelly bellies, gumdrops and peppermint fun! Join us for a sweet beginning to the holiday season by making a mini gingerbread house, singing songs, dancing and eating yummys for your tummies! Dress in your party clothes for happy, wholesome holiday fun. **Ages:** 2 to 5 years old. **Cost:** \$20/residents and \$25/non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** Call 425-452-4106 to register for course #75798. **Info:** [NWAC@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:NWAC@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-4106.
- Nov 28**      **Thanksgiving Day Indoor Cycling Class**, 7 a.m., 8:15 a.m. or 9:30 a.m.  
*South Bellevue Community Center, 14509 SE Newport Way*  
Burn 600+ calories during this indoor cycling class BEFORE you feast! Bring a donation for needy families and children in our neighborhood. Ask for a list of desired items when you register. Bring water and a towel. Doors open 15 minutes before each class. Park at the tennis courts and enter the building at the lower gymnasium level. **Ages:** 13 years and older. **Cost:** Free with donation. **Pre-registration:** Required. To register: 425-452-4240 beginning November 1. **Info:** Joan Perugini – [jperugini@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:jperugini@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-4240.
- Nov 29**      **“NATURE: Magic of the Snowy Owl” (Nature Film)**, 5 p.m. – 6 p.m.  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
Filmmakers take us deep into the snowy owl’s tundra home on the North Slope of Alaska to observe the daily struggles involved in raising a family of helpless owlets until they’re able to fly. Popcorn provided! **Ages:** Best for ages 5 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.

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**Nov 30-Jan 4**            **2013 Garden d’Lights, Construction Edition, 5 p.m. – 10 p.m. (last entry at 9:30 p.m.)**

*Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street*

The Garden is undergoing major construction of new facilities. Though d’Lightful as ever, this year’s event features a shorter route and new ticket booth location. As always, hot beverages will be available at the Shorts Visitor Center, and friendly volunteers will provide a warm welcome. Brought to you by the Bellevue Botanical Garden Society and Bellevue Parks & Community Services, Garden d’Lights features thousands of lights which transform the Garden into a blossoming winter wonderland. Please note that due to construction, there is no on-site limited mobility parking or gift shop. **Ages:** All ages; family event.

**Cost:** \$5 per person (free for children 10 and under); free admission for everyone on certain evenings. **Ticket sales and info:** Tickets will be available beginning on October 15. Visit [www.gardendlights.org](http://www.gardendlights.org) for more information, learn how to volunteer and to buy tickets. **Recorded information phone line:** 425-452-6844.

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**DECEMBER 2013**

**Nov 30-Jan 4**      **2013 Garden d’Lights, Construction Edition, 5 p.m. – 10 p.m.** (last entry at 9:30 p.m.)  
*Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street*  
The Garden is undergoing major construction of new facilities. Though d’Lightful as ever, this year’s event features a shorter route and new ticket booth location. As always, hot beverages will be available at the Shorts Visitor Center, and friendly volunteers will provide a warm welcome. Brought to you by the Bellevue Botanical Garden Society and Bellevue Parks & Community Services, Garden d’Lights features thousands of lights which transform the Garden into a blossoming winter wonderland. Please note that due to construction, there is no on-site limited mobility parking or gift shop. **Ages:** All ages; family event. **Cost:** \$5 per person (free for children 10 and under); free admission for everyone on certain evenings. **Ticket sales and info:** Tickets will be available beginning on October 15. Visit [www.gardendlights.org](http://www.gardendlights.org) for more information, learn how to volunteer and to buy tickets. **Recorded information phone line:** 425-452-6844.

**Dec 1**      **Beavers – Nature’s Architects (Ranger Program), 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.**  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
Did you know that you can find beavers at Mercer Slough? Learn about the beaver’s amazing adaptations, how they shape the habitat around them, and why Mercer Slough’s beavers are unique. **Ages:** All ages are welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.

**Dec 1**      **“Christmas in Yellowstone” (Nature Movie), 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.**  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Celebrate the beauty of winter in one of the world’s most spectacular settings: Yellowstone National Park. Watch as the animals do their best to survive the winter, and enjoy the beautiful of geysers in the snow. Running time is 52 minutes. **Ages:** 12 years and older. **Cost:** Free! Donations will be gratefully accepted. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

**Dec 4-7**      **Hilltop Holiday Craft Show, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.** (Dec 4 through Dec 6);  
10 a.m. – 5 p.m. (Dec 7)  
*Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24<sup>th</sup> Street*  
Lift your holiday spirit! Come and enjoy a delightful, unique, whimsical, one-of-a-kind craft show featuring thousands of hand crafted items from over 80 selected Northwest crafters. It’s not your ordinary craft show! **Ages:** All ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** Free admission; craft items vary in price. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [NWAC@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:NWAC@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-4106. Crafter application/information: [hilltop.crafts@frontier.com](mailto:hilltop.crafts@frontier.com) or 206-920-2957.

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- Dec 5**      **Christmas Ship Festival**, 8:50 p.m. – 9:10 p.m.  
*Newcastle Beach Park, 4400 Lake Washington Blvd SE*  
Join us on shore to welcome the Christmas Ship Festival presented by Argosy Cruises. Come with family and friends to gather together to marvel at the parade of boats as they come by the beach. You can join the caroling or just enjoy the onboard choir's presentation. All this and a beach fire to keep you warm! **Ages:** All ages; family event. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [NWAC@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:NWAC@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-4106.
- Dec 6**      **Woof Walks in Nature**, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.  
*Meet at the Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16<sup>th</sup> Street*  
Join a Park Ranger and discover fascinating ecological facts about Bellevue's city parks. Bring your dog and learn how you can both help the city steward these valuable lands. All dogs must be on a leash. Please dress for the weather. **Ages:** All ages; we encourage families to attend. **Cost:** Suggested \$5 donation. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-7225. **Info:** [LHarper@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:LHarper@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7225.
- Dec 6**      **Who Lives in the Snow? (Children's Activity)**, 11 a.m. – Noon and 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. (two sessions; choose one)  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Find out what goes on beneath the surface of the glistening snow. We always make a fun craft to take home! **Ages:** 3 years and older. **Cost:** \$2/resident and \$3/non-resident. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course #75875 or #75876. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Dec 6**      **Holiday Ball**, 7 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.  
*Highland Community Center, 14224 Bel-Red Road*  
Come and enjoy a night of dancing and a light meal. This dance is designed for teens and adults with intellectual disabilities. **Ages:** 16 years and older. **Cost:** \$9 for residents and \$11 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Preferred. **To register:** [www.MyParksandRecreation.com](http://www.MyParksandRecreation.com) . **Info:** 425-452-6105.
- Dec 7**      **Lewis Creek Park Ranger Hike**, 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Explore the natural history of Lewis Creek Park with a Park. Look for signs of local wildlife, and learn what to do when encountering animals in the wild. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Dec 7**      **Holiday Ball**, 7 p.m. – 10 p.m.  
*North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*  
The "Sound of Swing" will perform for your dancing pleasure. **Ages:** 18 years and older. **Cost:** \$3 per person, payable at the door. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-7681.

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- Dec 8**            **“Stranger in the Woods” (Children’s Movie)**, 2 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Venture into the woods and learn about animals that call the forest home, as well as a mysterious stranger! Running time is 30 minutes. **Ages:** 3 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Dec 10**           **Celebrate Snow Dance**, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.  
*North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*  
The “Sound of Swing” will perform for your dancing pleasure. **Ages:** 18 years and older. **Cost:** \$3 per person, payable at the door. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-7681.
- Dec 11**           **Farm Hands – Happy Holidays to All**, 1:30 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*  
Our Farm Hands program is designed for school-aged kids with early release on Wednesdays. Blend a touch of work and a dash of play, and mix together for a fun afternoon with Farmer Jayne. We’ll learn about our animals, make treats and work in the farm yard. **Ages:** 5 to 8 years old. **Cost:** \$25/residents and \$30/non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** Call 425-452-7688 to register for course #75723. **Info:** [kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7688.
- Dec 13**           **Hibernation Pajama Party**, 7:30 p.m. – 9 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Come learn about animals that hibernate, as well as other ways of surviving the winter. Make sure to bring your PJ’s and a blanket or pillow as we settle in for the winter! **Ages:** 5 years and older. **Cost:** \$2/resident and \$3/non-resident. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course #75885. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Dec 14**           **Merry Christmas, Animal Friends**, 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.  
*Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*  
What does a pony or a rabbit want for Christmas? Come help Farmer Jayne create merry Christmas gifts and delicious treats for all our animal friends at the farm. Bring your imagination! **Ages:** 3 to 7 years old. **Cost:** \$20/residents and \$25/non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** Call 425-452-7688 to register for course #75724. **Info:** [kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7688.

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- Dec 15**      **Animal Art**, 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Draw and sketch different Pacific Northwest species from a collection of wildlife mounts! There is no other way to capture the magnificence of these creatures so close up and so still. Challenge your artistic talents while learning about the natural history of the area in which you live. Mounts, newsprint and charcoal pencils will be provided. **Ages:** 8 years and older. **Cost:** \$4/resident and \$5/non-resident. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course #75891. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Dec 15**      **Beavers – Nature’s Architects (Ranger Program)**, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
Did you know that you can find beavers at Mercer Slough? Learn about the beaver’s amazing adaptations, how they shape the habitat around them, and why Mercer Slough’s beavers are unique. **Ages:** All ages are welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.
- Dec 15**      **Christmas Ship Festival**, 6:25 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.  
*Meydenbauer Beach Park, 419 98<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*  
Join us on shore to welcome the Christmas Ship Festival presented by Argosy Cruises. Come with family and friends to gather together to marvel at the parade of boats as they come by the beach. You can join the caroling or just enjoy the onboard choir’s presentation. All this and a beach fire to keep you warm! **Ages:** All ages; family event. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [NWAC@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:NWAC@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-4106.
- Dec 18**      **Holiday Luncheon**, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
*North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*  
Join us as we serve you a delicious Thanksgiving feast. Entertainment provided. Co-sponsored by Catholic Community Services. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Suggest donation of \$3 per person for those 60 years and older; fee of \$6 for those under 60, payable at the door. **Pre-registration:** Required by December 9. **Info and to register:** 425-452-7681.
- Dec 21**      **South Bellevue Green Spaces Ranger Hike**, 10 a.m. - noon  
*Meeting place: Lattawood Park, 4530 155<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
Explore the unknown trails of South Bellevue. Parks and open space ravines guide you (and wildlife!) through friendly neighborhoods. Please dress for the weather, bring water, and wear sturdy shoes. Limited parking; we encourage carpooling. **Distance:** 3 miles. **Level of difficulty:** Difficult (350 feet elevation). **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

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- Dec 21**      **Green Hour (Family Activity)**, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Join us every month for a Green Hour at Lewis Creek Park! Observe and explore the park during an hour of unstructured play and interaction with the natural world. Each month, creative, science-based ideas will have children and parents deepening their knowledge and love of nature together. **Ages:** 5 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.
- Dec 27**      **“Nature: Christmas in Yellowstone” (Nature Film)**, 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, Douglas Fir Community Room, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*  
NATURE presents *Christmas in Yellowstone*, a breathtaking look at wintertime deep within America’s first national park. This film contains predator-prey interactions which may not be appropriate for some younger viewers. Popcorn provided! **Ages:** Best for ages 7 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.
- Dec 28**      **Wild Tracks (Family Activity)**, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.  
*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*  
Walk with a park ranger through Lewis Creek Park, looking for signs of wildlife: tracks, scat, rubbings, tunnels, etc. Each child will make and take home a plaster track! **Ages:** 6 years and older. **Cost:** \$2/resident and \$3/non-resident. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** 425-452-6885, course #75886. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

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**YEAR-ROUND EVENTS**

**Daily, times vary**

**Kelsey Creek Farm Pioneer Days**

*Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*

Experience life in the 1800s by visiting our historic log cabin. Tour includes grinding wheat and coffee, turning butter, and other living history activities. These tours are for preschool and school groups. **Ages:** 2 years and older. **Cost:** Varies according to group size (up to \$5 per person). **Pre-registration:** Required. **Info and to register:** [kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7688.

**Daily, times vary**

**Kids on the Farm – Group Tours**

*Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*

Explore our farm and meet our goats, pig, sheep, rabbits, chickens and ponies. Experience the old-fashioned skill of wool carding, and create a wool sheep to take home. These group tours are for preschool and school groups. **Ages:** 2 years and older. **Cost:** Varies according to group size (up to \$5 per person). **Pre-registration:** Required. **Info and to register:** [kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7688.

**Daily, times vary**

**Fall on the Farm Group Tours**

*Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*

Experience harvest season in a traditional way. Visit a pony, feed the chickens and work on barn “chores” with child-sized pails and rakes. Tour the garden and pumpkin patch. Children finish up by choosing a pumpkin from our harvest-themed indoor pumpkin patch! Extra fee for pumpkins. **Ages:** For preschool and school groups, ages 2 years and older. **Cost:** Varies according to group size (up to \$5 per person). **Pre-registration:** Required. **Info and to register:** [kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-7688.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month**

**NWRSA Area 2060 Greater Sammamish Hand Spinners, Noon - 2 p.m.**

*Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park (Farm House), 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*

Visitors invited to drop in and watch as spinners demonstrate the traditional art of hand spinning as they turn fuzzy fiber into yarn. New spinners welcome! **Register:** not required. All ages welcome; children must be accompanied by an adult. **Info:** 425-452-7688 or e-mail [kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov).

**Every 1<sup>st</sup> Monday each month**

**Snocon Night, 4 p.m. - 7 p.m.**

*Bellevue Skate Park, 14224 Bel-Red Road (within Highland Community Park)*

Bellevue Skate Park and Snowboard Connection are proud to present “Snocon Night.” Various games, best trick contest, and give a ways for families and youth of all ages. Come check it out - you may walk away with some cool prizes. **Info:** 425-452-2722. **Register:** not required.

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**Every Monday**

**Youth Link Marketing Committee**, 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

*Bellevue City Hall, Room 1E-121, 450 110<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*

Learn marketing through hands-on training and activities! Marketing team members work on the Bellevue Patch, YouthConnect, an online youth publication, develop marketing materials for the program and develop other marketing strategies using social media. **Info:** call Youth Link at 425-452-5254 or email [palina@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:palina@bellevuewa.gov) .

**Last Monday each month**

**Youth Link Teen Closet Distribution Event**, 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

*World Impact Network, 2015 Richards Road*

Teen Closet is a free clothing bank for teens and families in the Bellevue area. Individuals, families, and community groups interested in volunteering at the event can contact Patrick, Youth Link Program Coordinator, 425-452-5254, e-mail [palina@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:palina@bellevuewa.gov) , or visit [www.youthlink.com](http://www.youthlink.com).

**Every Tuesday**

**2013 Kids Care Coat Drive Planning Committee**, 4 p.m. – 5 p.m.

*Bellevue City Hall, Room 1E-119, 450 110<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*

Help plan an annual city-wide coat drive for families in Bellevue. **Info:** Youth Link at 425-452-5254 or [palina@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:palina@bellevuewa.gov) .

**Every Tuesday**

**2014 Youth Involvement Conference Planning Meeting**, 5 p.m. – 6 p.m.

*Bellevue City Hall, Room 1E-121, 450 110<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*

Help plan a biennial city-wide youth conference in Bellevue. Decide with other teens on selecting themes, workshops and speakers. **Info:** call Youth Link at 425-452-5254 or visit [www.youthlink.com](http://www.youthlink.com) .

**4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday each month**

**Bellevue Youth Court**, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

*Bellevue City Hall, 450 110<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, Council Chambers*

Monthly session of Bellevue Youth Court with two juvenile court cases. **Info:** 425-452-2846 or [hstephens@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:hstephens@bellevuewa.gov) .

**1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday each month**

**Bellevue Youth Council Meeting**, 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

*Bellevue City Hall, 450 110<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, Room 1E-120*

Youth leadership and community service program for Bellevue middle and high school students. **Info:** Youth Link: 425-452-5254 or [palina@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:palina@bellevuewa.gov) .

**1<sup>st</sup> Thursday each month**

**Bellevue Network On Aging Meeting**, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

*Bellevue City Hall, 450 110<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, Room 1E-120*

**Info:** 425-452-7681 or visit [www.bellevuewa.gov/network\\_on\\_aging.htm](http://www.bellevuewa.gov/network_on_aging.htm).

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#### 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday each month

**Lewis Creek Ranger Hikes**, first Saturdays – September 1, October 6, November 3, December 1

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

*Lewis Creek Park, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*

Join a ranger to explore the natural history of Lewis Creek Park. Look for signs of local wildlife, and learn what to do when encountering animals in the wild. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

#### Every Saturday

**Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Walk**, 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

*Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16<sup>th</sup> Street*

Do you know the story behind the Phantom at Phantom Lake? Have you ever seen our feathered migratory visitors? Can you spot a nurse log? Join a Park Ranger for a free guided tour of the Greenbelt. Discover the history of the park, view community gardens, and share stories about our local wildlife. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration** is not required. **Info:** 425-452-7225.

#### Every Saturday

**Mercer Slough Nature Walk**, 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*

At 320 acres, Mercer Slough Nature Park is Lake Washington's largest wetland and Bellevue's second largest park! Meet a Park Ranger at the Environmental Education Center for a free guided tour to learn about the fascinating flora, fauna and history of the park. Please dress for weather. **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** not required. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.

#### Saturdays and Sundays (May through September)

**Canoe the Mercer Slough**, 8:45 a.m. - noon

*Enatai Beach Park, 3519 108<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE*

Explore the beautiful Mercer Slough Nature Park by water, and see how this amazing wetland ecosystem functions. Participants are required to paddle the entire distance of four miles. Trip begins and ends at Enatai Beach Park. Some paddling experience is required. Up to three people per canoe. Please dress for the weather. **Ages:** Ages 5 years and older only. Children and youth must have at least one adult present for every two children/youth. **Cost:** \$16 for Bellevue residents; \$18 for non-residents. **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** visit [www.MyParksandRecreation.com](http://www.MyParksandRecreation.com) or call 425-452-2565. **Info:** [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2565.

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**Every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday**

**Luncheon, Noon**

*North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE*

Adults 60 and older can enjoy a delicious, hot lunch. ***Suggested donation:*** \$3 for those 60 and older; fee of \$5.95 for those under 60. Lunches sponsored and prepared by Catholic Community Services staff and Center volunteers. Special events such as Thanksgiving and Holiday lunches.

**Info/Pre-register:** 425-452-7681.