

Mueller State Park Programs



July 2020

Always hike with a map, water, and weather protection!

Monday, July 20th

Fly Fishing Basics

10:00 AM Meet at Dragonfly Pond
Learn the difference between fly-fishing and spin casting and give it a try with Volunteer Craig. Equipment provided. 8 yrs and up. Limited to 15 people, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366, masks required.

Hike: Peak View Salamander Hike

4:00 PM Meet at Elk Meadow TH
Walk to Peak View Pond to search for Tiger Salamanders during this educational hike led by Naturalist Isaac. Limited to 15 people, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366, masks required.

Tuesday, July 21st

Hike: Elk Meadow, Murphy's Cut

8:00 AM Meet at Elk Meadow TH
Join Volunteer Cindi on this 4-mile hike through the meadows in the east portion of the park. Limited to 15 people, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366, masks required.

Hike: Dark Sky Hike

8:00 PM Meet at Outlook Ridge TH
Watch the sun fade and the night sky unfold. Learn to identify constellations, the North Star and the Milky Way with Volunteer Jim. Discuss fun facts about the night sky. Dress for the cool mountain air, bring a flashlight. Easy one mile, 1 1/2 hours. Limited to 15, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366, masks required.

Wednesday, July 22nd

Hike: Homestead Loop Mashup

8:00 AM Meet at Homestead TH
Join Volunteer Nancy on a trip to visit some of the park's homestead cabins and sites, to learn about those who once lived there. 4-mile, moderately hilly route. Limited to 15 people, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366, masks required.

Hike: Dynamite Cabin

9:00 AM Meet at Grouse Mt. TH
Join Naturalist Pam to learn about the history of the trappers and hunters that utilized this cabin on this easy 2-mile hike. Limited to 15 people, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366, masks required.

Thursday, July 23rd

Bird Walk

8:30 AM Meet at Elk Meadow TH
Get to know the birds of the area with Volunteer Craig. Slow-paced 1.5-miles. Limited to 15 people, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366, masks required.

Patio Talk: Hummingbirds

3:00 pm Join Naturalist Isaac at the Visitor Center to learn about these very unique birds that can be spotted at Mueller! Limited to 15 people, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366, masks required.

Friday, July 24th

Hike: Brook, Rock Pond and Canyon

8:00 AM Meet at Rock Pond TH
This 5-mile hike led by Volunteer Cindi visits two of the park's most scenic ponds. Limited to 15, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366, masks required.

Pond Safari

10:00 am Meet at Dragonfly Pond
Explore the world of underwater life! Amazing! Led by Naturalist Linda. Limited to 15 people, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366, masks required.

Hike: Kid's Earth Walk

3:00 PM Meet at the Visitor Center
Get the kids involved with a hike especially for them featuring the sights and sounds of Mueller with Naturalist Rusty. Easy 1-hour hike. Limited to 15, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366, masks required.

Saturday, July 25th

Hike: Nature Walk

10:00 AM Meet at Outlook Ridge TH
Learn about the plants and trees of Mueller. Discuss fun facts about the ecology of our mountain environment with Volunteer JIm. Easy one mile, 1 1/2 hours. Limited to 15 people, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366, masks required.

Sunset Hike

7:30 PM Meet at Outlook Ridge TH
Join Naturalist Isaac to enjoy a beautiful sunset from Outlook Ridge. We'll be hiking back in the dark. Limited to 15, sign up at Visitor Center 719-687-2366, BYO masks !

Sunday, July 26th

Hike: Osborn Homestead

8:30 AM Meet at Black Bear TH
Journey back in time with Naturalist Pam and find out what happened to Sumner Osborn on this 3-mile hike. Limited to 15 people, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366, masks required.

Monday, July 27th

Hike: Murphy's Cut

8:30 AM Meet at Elk Meadow TH
Learn some history about local railroads and a former depot within Mueller. Led by Naturalist Isaac. Limited to 15 people, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366, masks required.

Tuesday, July 28th

Hike: Cheesman Ranch Loop

8:00 AM Meet at Grouse Mt. TH
Explore the northern portion of the park with Volunteer Cindi and visit one of the best preserved historic sites in Mueller on this 5-mile loop. Limited to 15 people, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366, masks required.

Wednesday, July 29th

Bird Walk

8:30 AM Meet at Elk Meadow TH
Meet at Elk Meadow Trailhead. Get to know the birds of the area with Volunteer Craig as he guides you through the spruce-fir forests of Mueller. 1.5-miles. Limited to 15, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366, masks required.

Thursday, July 30th

Hike: Brook/Rock Pond

8:30 AM Meet at the Visitor Center
Join Naturalist Pam to learn about nature's engineer on this moderate 5-mile hike. Limited to 15 people, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366, masks required.

Childrens' Storytime

10:00 am Meet at Camper Services
Sit back and listen to some children's stories about animals. Led by Naturalist Linda. Limited to 15 people, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366, masks required.

Friday, July 31st

Hike: Outlook Ridge Mashup Loop

8:00 AM Meet at Outlook Ridge TH
Enjoy this 6 mile loop with Volunteer Cind and experience a wide range of what the park has to offer. Majority of trails in the shade. Limited to 15 people, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366, masks required.

Forest Bathing & Ephemeral Art Making

9:30 AM Meet at the Visitor Center
Slow down, awaken your senses, connect deeply with the forest & explore creating ephemeral (temporary) nature art with elements we find (& leave) on this mindful wander with Nature Therapy Guide Jane. Bring water & rain gear. Ages 9 and up welcome. Limited to 8 people, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366. Masks required.

Nature Crafts

3:00 pm Meet at the Visitor Center
Get creative - make "nature crafts" using things from the forest. Your imagination is the limit. Led by Volunteer Rusty. Limited to 15 people, sign up at the Visitor Center 719-687-2366, masks required.