

# Oasis Newsletter and Events

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## March and April 2021

Events and happenings at Barr Lake State Park are now limited! Please see each event for specific details on how to register.

**If you register for an event and are unable to attend, please remove your name from that event so that others may register.**

The activities and facilities located within the park emphasize wildlife conservation, outdoor education, and natural landscape themes. There is something for everyone here: fishing, boating, hiking and running.

Most events at Barr Lake State Park are free due to the generous donations from [Friends of Barr Lake](#) a non-profit organization with a mission to enhance the education, conservation and recreational facets of Barr Lake.

If you enjoy our programming and would like to contribute you can [donate online](#) or in the Nature Center.

Entry to the park is not included in any event fees and a daily or annual pass is required.

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Special Happenings

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#### [10th Annual Easter Egg Hunt](#)

Join us April 3rd for our 10th Annual Easter Egg Hunt! All Activities will be outside. We will have an egg hunt, crafts and snacks to go. With a special appearance from the Easter Bunny and Talon our boating safety mascot!!!

[Register here.](#)

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#### [Earth Day Annual Kite Festival](#)

April 24th we will be holding our annual Earth Day and Kite Festival! Join us as we celebrate the Earth and learn about our environment and how we can all do our part to protect it! We will have FREE kites for the kids! First celebrated in 1970, Earth Day is celebrated in more than 193 countries. [Register today!](#)

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### [Eagle Express Rides](#)

The eagles are still abundant at the park! Our 8 passenger shuttle is perfect for getting out to the Gazebo Boardwalk for those who cannot walk the 2.5 mile round trip. The shuttle will not be available during special events. Visitors will not be allowed to hop on to a reserved shuttle.

Reservations are required and COVID restrictions are in place. You do not have to have a party of 8 to reserve. Call the Nature Center for reservations and details at 303-659-6005.

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### [Virtual Toddler Story Time](#)

Join Ranger Michelle and her friends for the Facebook Live event! We will read a story about our natural world that is sure to entertain your preschooler while teaching them about plants, animals and our planet. No registration is required. In March we will read a story about rabbits and in April we will read about flowers. Click on the date to join the event!

Rabbits [March 18th at 10am](#)

Flowers [April 15th at 10am](#)

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### [Guided Bird Walks](#)

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March 20

April 17

Join volunteer naturalists Tammy and Ira at 9am for a walk in the park! This walk is to introduce new birders to the park and talk with experienced birders about their sightings and all the wonderful sights and sounds of Colorado birds! To register sign up through [Sign Up Genius](#).

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### [FREE Basic Archery Instruction](#)

March 14 & 28

April 11 & 25

Session #1 10am-11am

Session #2 11am-12pm

Introduction to archery is limited to 10 students age 6 and up. There are 2 one hour sessions available each day. Loaner equipment is available during class. To register sign up through [Sign Up Genius](#). These classes fill quickly so don't wait!

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### [Leave No Trace: Gold Standard Certification](#)

The Barr Lake State Park Leave No Trace Steering Committee have been busy getting ready to submit our application to become a Gold Standard park. By receiving this highest standard of recognition, Gold Standard Sites become exemplary models, encouraging other public lands to ensure that Leave No Trace education is part of everyone's experience when spending time outdoors. The program aims to achieve a critical mass of Gold Standard designated sites across the country to ensure minimum-impact education is part of every public lands visitor's experience, and thereby alleviate the significant damage currently affecting these outdoor areas.

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## [Center for Outdoor Ethics and the 7 Leave No Trace Principles](#)

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### [Reservoir Updates](#)

We have closed the trail from mile marker 4.5 to mile marker 5.5 due to raptor nesting. There is no loop or bypass available during this time. Please respect all trail closures.

Our water levels remain low due to drought conditions.

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### [Bergman Barn Restoration Updates](#)

We do not have any updates at this time on our barn restoration. Your payment will be made securely through PayPal and designated specifically for this unique project. If you would like to donate to this project [click here](#).

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### [Sensory Garden](#)

Located in the grove just west of the Old Stone House the garden will accommodate all our visitors. The planters are low enough for visitors in wheelchairs to reach in, touch, and smell the plants. The areas for listening will have a bench and tree stumps for visitors to sit on, relax, and enjoy the sounds around them.

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Friends of Barr Lake and the [Bird Conservancy of the Rockies](#) are working jointly to build the [sensory garden](#). Funds are being provided through a Legacy Grant awarded to us by City of Brighton.

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