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November is predictably unpredictable! Our Annual Hayride and Wiener Roast event scheduled for the 2nd has been postponed until the 9th, due to much needed rain in the forecast. The 4th Annual Book and Tree Sale will also be postponed until the 9th. We look forward to seeing ONCA members and volunteers on this special evening! Make note of the programs offered this month too, we've got a couple of new things you'll love: Autumn Discovery Walks on Fridays and Sundays as well as "Project FeederWatch" every Thursday and Friday from 10-11:00AM.

Look for a selection of Sasha's poems along Oxley's Trail system.

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15**

5:30 - 7:00 pm| Artist Show + Reception

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**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16**

2:00-3:30 pm | *Family Poetry Walk

An all-ages, immersive journey through the nature preserve with poet, Sasha Martin. Sasha will be reading poems written during her 2024 Oxley Residency, while a nature guide will speak about Oxley's unique ecosystems.

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As the light fades, walk into stillness as Sasha Martin reads poems that explore how we find healing and resilience. Influenced heavily by Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs, Sasha's poems are a guide to coming home to ourselves.

**ASL and other interpretation services available upon request.*

*Events are free and open to the public but please RSVP to help us plan.*
*Register at the QR code or by calling us at (918) 596-9054*
MARY K. OXLEY NATURE CENTER 6700 MOHAWK BLVD

## Mary K. Oxley Nature Center - November Programs

Call 918-596-9054 to register for any program that requires pre-registration.

**Autumn Discovery Walks (new this month!)**
Fridays at 11:00 a.m., 1:00 and 3:00 p.m., and Sunday at 2:00 p.m.
These informal walks will be facilitated by Oxley staff naturalists. Meet by the message board in the parking lot and we'll walk together to see what the trails have to show us. These are free, drop-in events for all ages and abilities.

**Project FeederWatch**
Every Thursday and Friday in November from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
Stay warm inside while helping collect community science data to submit to Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology. We'll teach you all that you need to know. Bird watching and learning has never been so much fun! No registration required and all ages are welcome!

**Saturday Morning Birding**
November 2, 8:00 – 9:45 a.m.
All ages and skill levels are welcome for this free drop-in Birding Walk, guided by Oxley Natural Resources Coordinator, Josh Smith. Bring binoculars if you have them!

**Oxley Green Teens! NEW!**
November 2, 10:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
This program is for 13-18 year-old nature enthusiasts interested in having a positive impact on the environment and we are still accepting participants! Please feel free to call us (ask for Lisa or Maggie) if you or anyone you know is interested.

***Nature Story Time**
November 6, 13, and 20, 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
This is an opportunity for caregivers and children (ages 0-8) to read, talk, and sing together. Participants receive a FREE BOOK and there is an optional group nature walk at the end. Come for one or come for all!

***Forest Bathing**
November 10, 2:00 – 4:30 p.m.
Forest Bathing is a restorative practice rooted in scientific research that invites you to immerse yourself in the soothing embrace of nature. Guided by Pam Rogers, who is certified as a guide through the Association of Nature and Forest Therapy and holds a master's degree in Environmental Studies, this program offers a unique opportunity to connect with the more-than-human world. Join us!

***Little Seedlings**
November 12 and 15, 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
This program for curious little nature-lovers (ages 1-5) and their caregivers includes a craft and a guided trail walk to explore the theme of the month, "Deer in the Woods". (The Tuesday and Friday sessions are the same)

*Full Moon Walk: Beaver Moon
November 15, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Small, guided groups explore the trails by night. All ages welcome!

**Saturday Morning Botany Walk**
November 16, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Oxley Naturalists guide this free drop-in event, where we explore the lives of the plants and what's blooming in the forest, prairie, and wetlands.

**All About Nature Book club**
November 22, 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Join us for a discussion of books related to nature, conservation, and the environment. November's selection: Reason for Hope by Jane Goodall

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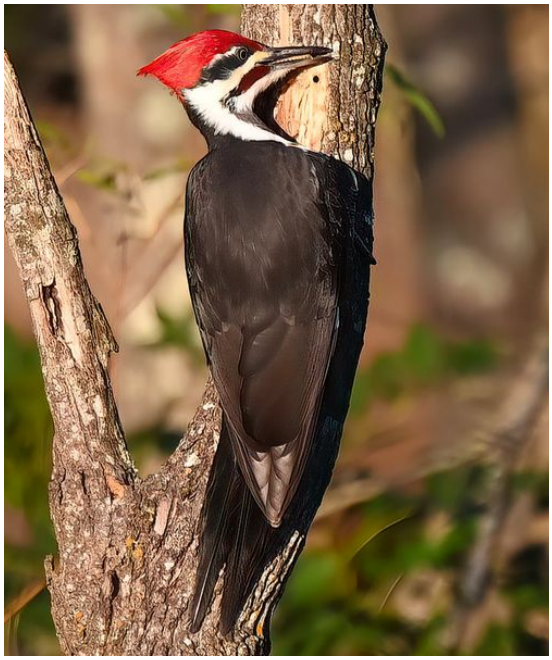

Pileated woodpecker | Glen Smith

## OXLEY NATURE CENTER HOURS

**Interpretive Center hours are 10-4:30PM Tuesday through Saturday, and Noon - 4:30PM on Sunday.**

**Building will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 28-29, for City Holidays but the trails will still be open and accessible.**

**After Interpretive Center hours, trails are open for hiking until 9:00 PM.**

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