Richard Bong State Recreation Area

November & December 2026

Nov. 14

Wildlife in Need: Animal Encounter | 1 – 2:30 p.m.

Please join the Wildlife in Need Center educators for a special interactive animal encounter as well as an introduction to Wildlife in Need Center's unique services. Meet at the Visitor Center.

Nov. 21

Autumn Leaf Science & Crafts | 1:30 – 3 p.m.

Learn about leaf identification, leaf cell structure and the science behind autumn color changes! Try a hands-on science activity and/or craft. Meet at the Visitor Center.

Dec. 5

Winter Greenery Decorations | 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Create a unique holiday decoration for your porch or door using greenery cuttings from the park! All materials are provided, but if you have a special pot or decorations - you are welcome to bring your own supplies as well!
Session 1: 9 – 10:30 a.m. - Door Decorations (swags or wreaths) - $30 class fee
Session 2: 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Porch Pots - $40 class fee
Registration Required – Sign up via the QR code

Sign Up Here:

Dec. 5

Zentangle Ornament Craft | 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Meet at the Visitor Center to create your own holiday ornament! These will make a creative keepsake for your holiday décor. This is also a great craft to combine with the Winter Greenery Program – as your Zentangle creation can be added to your Porch Pot or Wreath if desired!

Dec. 21

Winter Solstice Hike | 2:30 – 4 p.m.

Celebrate the solstice in nature with a celebratory guided hike focused on nature connection and seasonal change. Meet at the Visitor Center and be prepared to hike about 2 miles.

Upcoming in 2027

Jan. 1, 2027: First Day Hike | Noon – 2 p.m.

Meet at the Shelter 1. Plan to hike about 2 miles. Our Friends group will provide concessions and a fire.

Feb. 6, 2027: Return to Romance - Lighted Hike | Details TBD

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