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Fun, Family Activities at Heron Lake State Park

Enjoy Ukulele Lessons, Nature Inspired Art, Movie Night and Nature Walks

Los Ojos, NM – Ever wonder what else there is to do at a State Park besides camping, fishing and enjoying the great outdoors? At Heron Lake State Park; there's tons of fun to be had! Heron Lake State Park has fun, family activities planned throughout the rest of the summer.

Looking for a quick getaway this weekend before school starts? Pack up the kids and come join us this weekend at the Visitor Center for a relaxing evening watching family friendly movies on Saturday evening, August 13th. Popcorn will be served and chairs are available, or bring blankets and pillows for the kids to campout on. This week's animated movie will be "Journey to Center of the Earth," the movie starts at 7:00PM.

If you are eight (8) years or older, here is your opportunity to explore a unique musical experience. Local resident Kathleen Galbraith will teach park visitors the basics needed to play the ukulele in just sixty (60) minutes, and best of all, you do not need prior musical experience of any kind. Kathleen will provide instruments and simple handouts; all you need is a willingness to try something new! Ukulele lesson begins at 11:00AM.

Nature Inspired art activities are based on nature themes. "Paper Stained Glass," bird & butterfly mobiles, paper making and much more! Specific art programs vary week to week. Check the Park Visitor Center for the weekly program schedule. All programs are hosted at the Park Visitor Center Great Room beginning at 1:00PM- 4:00PM; all ages are welcome.

Join our Park Naturalist for a nature walk through the trails of Heron Lake. Hikes are tailored to the abilities of the group and all ages are welcomed. Other hike times are available based on prior request. All hikes start at the Park Visitor Center at 9:30AM. There's always fun under the sun at a New Mexico State Park!

Find your New Mexico True State Park Photo Contest! While visiting Heron Lake State Park, take a great photo and then upload it to www.newmexico.org and you could win some fabulous prizes! The Find your New Mexico True State Park Photo Contest is on-going through September 5, 2016. Check out www.newmexico.org/NMTruePark for more details. You can find all of our events at www.nmparks.com.

Heron Lake State Park is located two hours northwest of Santa Fe. Follow 285(North) to junction with 84 (North). Follow 84 toward Chama until intersection with Hwy 95. Left on 95, follow 95 to the cattle guard crossing, turn right in 1/2 mile at the State Park Visitor Center. For more information, call 575-588-7470.



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