



## SAVANNA TRAILS

Beginning in 1997 this area was reclaimed as an oak savanna and seeded with native prairie plants. During the summer months the savanna blooms with forbes (flowers) and grasses, attracting birds and butterflies. Bluebirds can be seen here near the bird houses (please enjoy but do not disturb). At the top of the hill a bench allows for a rest while viewing downtown Rochester. Trails in the oak savanna are relatively fl at and grass covered. Trails leading to/ from the oak savanna are hilly.



## WOODLAND TRAILS

During warm weather look for mosses, fungi, and wildflowers blooming early in the spring along these shady trails. At the south end of East Hill is a remnant "goat prairie" with a view of the area south of the park. Trails are dirt or grass covered and may be muddy/slippery in wet weather.



## POND/PRAIRIE TRAILS

Sit by the pond and listen to the frogs or stroll through the prairie looking for butterflies. The trail is short but packed with sights & sounds of life. Trails are grassy and flat.



## STREAM TRAILS

Paralleling the Family trail this short path leads hikers along Silver Creek. Butterfleis and other insects abound during the summer months. The trail is grassy and flat.



## QUARRY RUIN TRAILS

Points of interest include: the quarry for which Quarry Hill is named and ruins of the historic quarry operation, a large sandstone cave formerly used as food storage, the State Hospital cemetery, and two overlooks of downtown Rochester. Informational signs about the history of the grounds are located along these trails. The trails are hilly and rocky with uneven surfaces. Trails are muddy/slippery in wet weather.



## SPORTS TRAILS

These wide grass & dirt covered trails pass through woods and meadows as they wander up and around East Hill, great for a pleasant walk or a long hike. During the winter these trails are reserved and groomed for cross-country skiing. Trails are relatively flat with some rolling terrain.



## FAMILY TRAILS

Connecting the three parking lot areas (P) these trails provide a smooth surface for easy mobility. Family trails are used by walkers, runners, bicyclists, skiers, and roller blade users. The trails are black-topped and relatively flat.

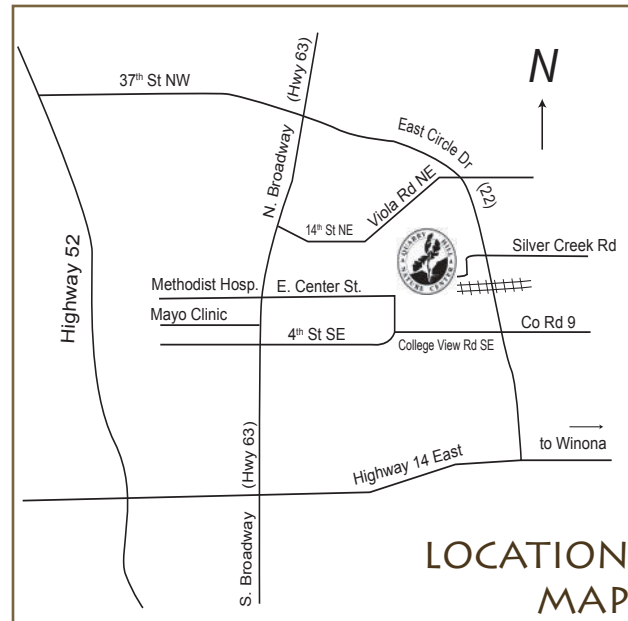
**PARK RULES:** Keep your dog on a leash.  
Clean up after your pet.  
Ride bikes on paved trails only.  
Observe but don't disturb the wildlife.  
Please help save our park by staying on established trails.

**HOURS:** Park: 5am to dusk  
Nature Center:  
Sept - May / M - Sat 9am - 5pm,  
Sun 12pm - 5pm  
June - Aug / M-F 8:30am - 4:30pm,  
Sat 9am - 5pm, Sun 12pm - 5pm



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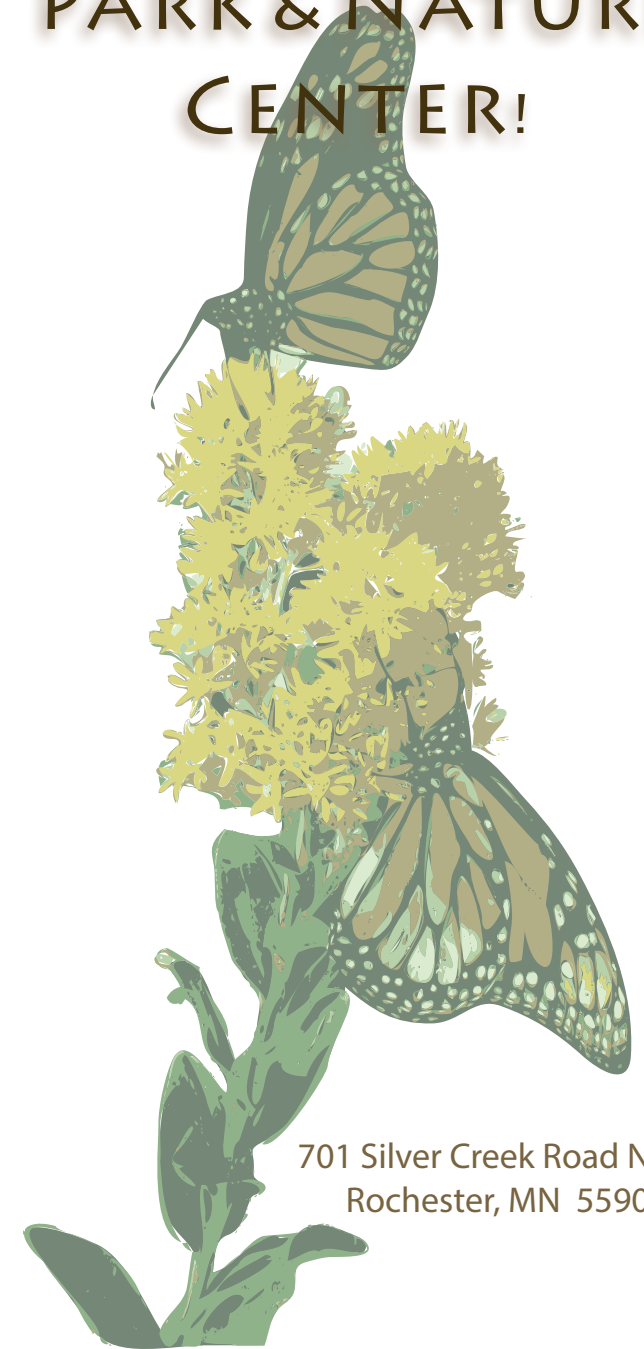


LOCATION  
MAP

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Rochester, MN 55906

**KEY**

	FAMILY TRAILS		OVERLOOK POINTS
	QUARRY RUINS TRAILS		HISTORIC STRUCTURES
	SAVANNA TRAILS		PICNIC PAVILION
	WOODLAND TRAILS		SIGN POSTS
	STREAM TRAILS		BRIDGES
	POND/PRAIRIE TRAILS		BUILDINGS
	SPORTS TRAILS IN WINTER - SKIERS ONLY		QUARRY WALL
			PARKING (P1, P2 AND P3)

**RECOMMENDED TRAIL LOOPS**

#1 - #10    - - - - -    0.9 MILES

#11 - #19    - · - · - ·    1.3 MILES

#20 - #25    ··········    1.5 MILES



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