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The Marshy Point Nature Center Calendar

December 2009 - January - February 2010

Popsicle Plunge
March 6, 2010!



DECEMBER	
Fri Dec 4 7 pm	Movie Night - Ice Age 3, Dawn of the Dinosaurs. Times are changing for moody mammoth Manny, motormouthed sloth Sid. Life heats up when they meet some none-too-friendly neighbors: the mighty dinosaurs. Movie is free. Snacks available \$3 per person, \$2 pp for members.
Sat Dec 5 1 - 3 pm	Waterfowl Round up - Swans, ducks and geese inhabit the cove. Join us as we hike to the old hunting "cabin" with binoculars and spotting scopes.
Sun Dec 6 1 - 3 pm	Blue Bird Maintenance - Join us to clean out our boxes and learn about other hole nesters, then assemble your own. \$10 per person, \$8/members
Mon Dec 7 11am - 12n	Mondays Pre-K Nature Drop In - Introduce your little ones to nature's wonders while enjoying stories, crafts, games, and songs together.
Fri Dec 11 7 - 8:30 pm	Owl prow! - Whooo goes there? Join us for a long hike to call an owl in to see.
Sat Dec 12 9 am	Candy Cane Hunt at Eastern Regional Park - Register 9 to 10am. Indoor & outdoor activities, including a Marshy Point critter talk, from 9 to 10:30. Outdoor Hunt begins at 10:30. Call for directions. Free
Sat Dec 12 & Sun Dec 13 1 - 3 pm	Wreath & Ornament Making - Make wreaths, ornaments, and other decorations using natural materials by the warmth of the wood stove. Warm refreshments too! Supplies are limited. Registration required. \$5 per wreath for non-members, \$3 for members.
Sun Dec 13 9 am	Second Sundays Birdwalk - Explore the estuary and more with our expert bird watchers.
Mon Dec 14 11 am - 12n	Mondays Pre-K Nature Drop In - Introduce your little ones to nature's wonders while enjoying stories, crafts, games, and songs together.
Tues Dec 15 7pm	Holiday Party - Make wreaths, ornaments, and other decorations using natural materials, then help us decorate the center and make a wreath to take home. Bring some goodies to share.
Thur Dec 17 4 - 5 pm	After School Nature Explorers - Bring your young student to explore a subject about the natural world. (1 st through 6 th grade) Space is limited.
Sat Dec 19 1 - 3 pm	Winter Solstice Celebration - Learn the ancient origins and traditions surrounding the December solstice (the longest night of the year). Enjoy some hot chocolate at a campfire to watch the sunset.
Sun Dec 20 10am - 3pm	Winter Holiday's Project - Learn how to carve a wooden gouge, knife and spoon from the trees in the park. Ages 16 & up. \$25 per person, \$20 for members. Cost includes your tools you keep.
Fri Dec 25	Center Closed for County Holiday
Sat Dec 26 9am - 12n	Winter Bird Count - Bring your binoculars, and wear your woolen clothes as we do our 1 st winter bird count. We'll provide the hot chocolate back at the center. This will be a long hike outside in the cold, be prepared!
Sun Dec 27 2 - 4 pm	Snapping Beaks and Ripping Claws! - Predators are not mean, just hungry. Learn about predator prey relationships as we feed our animal collection.
Mon Dec 28 11am - 12n	Mondays Pre-K Nature Drop In - Introduce your little ones to nature's wonders while enjoying stories, crafts, games, and songs together.

JANUARY	
Fri Jan 1	Closed for County Holiday
Sat Jan 2 & Sun Jan 3 2 - 3 pm	Animal Tales & Tails - Story time with some animal friends. Warm up by the wood stove with a good tale, cider and hot chocolate.
Mon Jan 4 11am - 12n	Mondays Pre-K Nature Drop In - Introduce your little ones to nature's wonders while enjoying stories, crafts, games, and songs together.
Fri Jan 8 7 pm	Movie Night - Up! A feisty septuagenarian teams with a fearless wilderness ranger to do battle with a vicious band of beasts and villains in this computer-animated adventure. Movie is free. Snacks available \$3 per person, \$2 pp for members.
Sat Jan 9 & Sun Jan 10 2 - 4 pm	Cabin Fever Hike - Join a naturalist for a winter discovery hike and then back to the Center to the campfire for hot chocolate.
Sun Jan 10 9 am	Second Sundays Birdwalk - Explore the estuary and more with our expert bird watchers.
Mon Jan 11 11am - 12n	Mondays Pre-K Nature Drop In - Introduce your little ones to nature's wonders while enjoying stories, crafts, games, and songs together.
Sat Jan 16 2 - 3:30	Let it Snow - Changing temperatures are effecting the weather. Make a snow guage, and enjoy some ice cream for a cool treat. \$3 for non members, \$2 for members
Sun Jan 17 2 - 4 pm	Winter Survival - What adaptations allow animals to survive the winter cold? Find out at this program.
Mon Jan 18	Center Closed for County Holiday
Tues Jan 19 7 pm	Speaker Series - Dan Coates of the Archological Society of the Northern Chesapeake presents on how Indians in Maryland carved soapstone into bowls for cooking. Light refreshments compliments of the Nature Center Council. Free
Thur Jan 21 4 - 5 pm	After School Nature Explorers - Bring your young student to explore a subject about the natural world. (1 st through 6 th grade) Space is limited.
Sat Jan 23 & Sun Jan 24 2 - 4 pm	Animal Signs and Tracks - Just because it's Winter doesn't mean animals aren't active. Join a naturalist to discover the signs that animals have been there.
Mon Jan 25 11am - 12n	Mondays Pre-K Nature Drop In - Introduce your little ones to nature's wonders while enjoying stories, crafts, games, and songs together.
Sat Jan 30 2 - 4 pm	Wildlife Treats - Help natures creatures survive the coldest months of the year. Make food treats to hang in the park.
Sun Jan 31 1 - 4 pm	Winter Tree Identification - Tree have finger prints just like people do. Learn what they look like. Dress in warm clothing for this outdoor hike.

FEBRUARY	
Mon Feb 1 11am - 12n	Mondays Pre-K Nature Drop In - Introduce your little ones to nature's wonders while enjoying stories, crafts, games, and songs together.
Fri Feb 5 7 pm	Movie Night - Aliens in the Attic. A group of kids defend their Maine vacation home from knee-high alien invaders in this adventure comedy for the entire family. Movie is free. Snacks available \$3 per person, \$2 pp for members.
Sat Feb 6 2 - 4 pm	Dinosaurs and Reptiles - Learn about some prehistoric animals and their modern relatives. Join us for a dinosaur egg hunt and make your very own fossil.
Sun Feb 7 2 - 4 pm	Paper Valentines - Learn about the origins of paper, then help us recycle old paper into new, and make your sweetheart a card.
Mon Feb 8 11am - 12n	Mondays Pre-K Nature Drop In - Introduce your little ones to nature's wonders while enjoying stories, crafts, games, and songs together.
Sat Feb 13 2 - 4 pm	Animals Love Valentines Day - Learn how animals attract each other by sight, sound and smell. Then make chocolates for your sweetheart, or for yourself. \$2 per person.
Sun Feb 14 9 am	Great Backyard Bird Count - Join the ranks of Cornell University & the Audubon Society by helping us count the birds on this day to be added to a national data base.
Mon Feb 15	Center Closed for County Holiday
Tues Feb 16 7 pm	Speaker Series - Diving the Reefs of Chesapeake Bay. Join us as expert underwater photographer Michael Eversmeir astounds us with life on artificial reefs. Don't miss it! Free
Thur Feb 18 4 - 5 pm	After School Nature Explorers - Bring your young student to explore a subject about the natural world. (1 st through 6 th grade) Space is limited.
Sat Feb 20 2 - 4 pm	Animal Homes - Where do animals go to keep warm in the winter? Hike to find out and then back to the center for hot chocolate.
Sun Feb 21 2 - 4 pm	Story Time - The Lorax. A Naturalist will tell the tale of the savior of Truffula trees, then stay to see the movie. (All ages) Free
Mon Feb 22 11am - 12n	Mondays Pre-K Nature Drop In - Introduce your little ones to nature's wonders while enjoying stories, crafts, games, and songs together.
Fri Feb 26 7 - 8:30 pm	Moon of the Roaming Fox - Many animals including the fox are seeking mates. Learn who they are and help as we call some outside. Dress for cold weather and wear boots.
Sat Feb 27 & Sun Feb 28 1 - 3 pm	Maple Sugar Time - How do you get sap from a tree, how is maple sugar made, who made maple syrup? All these questions will be answered during this mud season event, while enjoying hands-on activities and tastings.

Marshy Point Nature Center
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Center is open 7 days a week, 9 am - 5 pm. (Except County Holidays)