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Please register
For programs.

Marshy Point Nature Center

7130 Marshy Point Road, Baltimore, MD 21220

410-887-2817, www.marshypoint.org

Department of Recreation & Parks



Should you require special accommodations (i.e., language interpreter, large print, etc.) 410-887-5370/ TDD:410-887-5319

Programs begin promptly at start time.

March 2015

Sun, March 1
1 – 2 pm

Nature Story Time – Salamander Room, Tales of the Possum’s Tail and 8 Moons on Turtle’s Back. Bring your little ones for a snack and a story about one of our animal friends.

Mondays
March 2, 16, 23, 30
11 am – 12 n

Pre-K Nature Drop-In - March 2 (Signs of Spring), March 16 (Frogs & Tadpoles), March 23 (Baby Bunnies & Chicks), March 30 (Baby Animals) - Introduce your little ones to nature's wonders while enjoying stories, crafts, games, songs, and outdoor activities together. Dress for the weather, arrive by start time. No Pre-k Nature on March 9.

Sat, March 7
12 n – 2:30 pm

9th Annual Popsicle Plunge- *NEW THIS YEAR! Register online at www.marshypoint.org, mail in your form or stop by the Nature Center, 7130 Marshy Pt Rd. Early registrants receive a free shirt. **Held at Rocky Point Park**, the plunge will take place at 2 pm. There will be free games, activities & animals to see beforehand. Food & drinks for sale. Registration is \$25. Proceeds go toward funding MPNC animal care, programs & exhibits. For info call 410-887-2817. Walk-Ins welcome before 1:30 pm.

Sun, March 8
9 am

Second Sundays Birdwalk - Explore the estuary and more with our expert bird watchers.

Sat/Sun,
March 14, 15
2 – 3 pm

Early Spring Wildflowers at Eastern Regional Park – Wildflowers are often hitch hikers from Europe. They have interesting names and stories. Join us to discover where they hide. Meet at Eastern Regional Park, 11723 Eastern Avenue, 21220.

**Tues, March 17
7 pm**

Speaker Series – “Climate change and Weed Biology” by Dr. Lewis H. Ziska. Dr. Ziska is a Plant Physiologist with the USDA’s Agricultural Research Service. He is the author, with Jeff Dukes at Purdue, of *Global Climate Change and Weed Biology* and the editor of *Invasive Species and Global Climate Change*. All are welcome. Light refreshments compliments of Marshy Point Nature Center Council.

Wed/Thurs/Fri
March 18, 19, 20
10 am – 1 pm

Trail Guide Training - Marshy Point Nature Center is looking for volunteers interested in learning about nature, to teach children and help lead groups. Each day features new subjects and new techniques for enjoying the great outdoors. Registration required. \$5

Sat, March 21
2 – 3:30 pm

Wet Boots and Frog Snoots – Wear waterproof boots to join a Naturalist in search of Marshy Point’s amphibians.

Sun, March 22
2 – 3:30 pm

Scrambled Eggs – Each amphibian has a unique shape to its egg mass. Wear waterproof boots. We’ll provide the net to join a Naturalist for a hike to our ponds to unscramble the confusion.

Sat, March 28
2 – 3 pm

Natural Egg Dyes – **Bring a dozen hard boiled eggs** and we’ll show you how to use natural dyes and pigments from the earth.

Sun. March 29
2 – 3:30 pm

Egg Hunt at Marshy Point – Bring your kiddies for an egg-citing time with egg contests and an egg hunt around the park. \$2 per person.



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Fri, April 3
7 – 8:30 pm

Build a Frog Pond – Learn how to transform your property into the perfect wildlife habitat. Hand outs and hike to a pond included. Wear waterproof boots and bring a flashlight. \$5 per family, \$3 members.

Sat, Sun
April 4, 5
2 - 4 pm

Mountain Bike Tour of the Park – There are no mountains at Marshy Point but there are a few low hills. Join a Naturalist as we tour the highlights in the park. 4 mile round trip. Bring your own bicycle.

Sat, April 11
2 – 3:30 pm

Bluebird Workshop – Build a bluebird box to take home and learn why bluebirds need our help. \$7 per person, \$5 for members.

Sun, April 12
2 – 4 pm

Canoe the Creek – Our first canoe trip of the season. Join us to limber up your muscles and paddle Dundee Creek with a Naturalist. \$7 per person, \$5 for members.

Mondays
April
6, 13, 20, 27
11am - 12n

Pre-K Nature Drop-In - April 6 (April's Showers), April 13 (Counting on Nature), April 20 (Earth Day Celebration), April 27 (Incredible Eggs) – Introduce your little ones to nature's wonders while enjoying stories, crafts, games, songs, and outdoor activities together. Dress for the weather, arrive by start time.

Fri, April 10
7 – 8:30 pm

Full Frog Moon Night Hike – Frogs and toads are singing. Learn who's call goes with which amphibian. Wear waterproof boots as we hike to the ponds.

Sun, April 12
9 am

Second Sundays Birdwalk - Explore the estuary and more with our expert bird watchers.

Sat, April 18
10am – 4pm

12th Annual Spring Festival – Celebrate Spring and nature with crafts, animal talks, canoe and boat rides, food, music and more. Entrance and parking are free.

Sun, April 19
2 – 3:30 pm

Earth Day Celebration – Learn the history of this important day, then help the Naturalist plant and mulch our trees.

Tuesday,
April 21
7 pm

Speaker Series, “Living a Double Life: A Closer Look at Maryland’s Amphibians” by Andy Adams. Andy is a biology professor at Loyola University of Md., Education Coordinator of the Susquehannock Wildlife Society, and an experienced Herpetologist. He will discuss the bizarre lifestyles and habits of frogs and salamanders. Come learn about some local projects in Md. and hike to see them in action. All are welcome. Light refreshments compliments of the Nature Center Council.

Sat, April 25
10am - 1 pm

Basic Paddling Course – Learn the strokes of how to maneuver a canoe. \$7 per person, \$5 for member. Ages 8 and older. Limited space. *Registration required.*

Sun, April 26
1 – 3 pm

April Gardens – Work with a master gardener to plan your garden. Help us plant our box gardens and take home some herbs to grow. \$5 per person, \$3 for members.



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Sat, Sun
May 2 & 3
2 – 3 pm

Pink Lady's Slipper – A rare wild orchid grows at Honeygo Park. Join a Naturalist for a pleasant Spring hike in search of this native flower. Meet at Honeygo Park, 9033 Honeygo Blvd., Perry Hall, MD 21128. *Call for directions.

Mondays
May 4, 11, 18
11 am – 12 n

Pre-K Nature Drop-In – May 4 (Baby Plants), May 11 (Rainbow Flowers), May 18, (Animal Homes) – Introduce your little ones to nature's wonders while enjoying stories, crafts, games, songs, and outdoor activities together. Dress for the weather, arrive by start time. **No Pre-K Nature Drop-In on May 25.**

Sat, May 9
Starts 6 pm -
ends, Sun
May 10, 9 am

Spring Family Campout – Enjoy a night under the stars with other night owls. Bring your own picnic dinner and camping gear, we'll supply the fun and s'mores. Arrive at start time to set up. Bring all food and drinks needed for the evening. \$5 per person, \$3 for members. *Registration required.*

Sun, May 10
9 am

Mothers Day Birdwalk – Explore the estuary and more with our expert bird watchers.

Fri, May 15
6:30 – 9 pm

Full Planting Moon Canoe Trip – The Native Indians travelled Dundee Creek by canoe; why not you and your friends or family? It's a cheap date not a cheap experience. \$7 per person, \$5 for members.

Sat, Sun
May 16 & 17
2 - 4 pm

Edible Plants and Earth Oven Pizza – Many edibles grow around Marshy Point Park. Join a Naturalist to find them; then help build a pizza with those edibles to cook in our earth oven. \$3 per person, \$2 for members.

**Tues, May 19
7 pm**

Speaker Series – "Your Backyard Geology" by Jeri Jones. Geologist Jeri Jones will discuss the geology of Baltimore County and the Coastal Plain. The evidence of millions of years of geologic processes is just beneath our feet, Jeri will describe how to recognize it. All are welcome. Light refreshments compliments of the Nature Center Council.

Sat, May 23
12 n – 2 pm

Sight Seeing Boat Trip to Hart-Miller Island – Bring binoculars and lunch as Capn' Jim relates the history of the Island and surrounding landscape. \$7 per person, \$5 for members. *Limited Space, Registration required.*

Sun, May 24
2 - 4 pm

Bluebirds on the Bay – The bluebird is a member of the thrush family. Join a Naturalist as we check our blue bird trail and collect data. 2 miles round trip.

Mon, May 25

Center Closed for County Holiday – Park Open.

Sat, May 30
2 - 3 pm

Story Time and Puppet Show – Learn about the busy bee and watch the pollinator puppet show. Bring your little ones for a show and a snack.

Sun, May 31
2 – 3:30

The Hive and the Honeybee – Learn about our busy bees and see them up close.



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9th Annual Popsicle Plunge at Rocky Point Park, Saturday, March 7, 2015

Activities/Games: 12 noon until Plunge at 2:30 pm, Go to www.marshypoint.org, for registration forms or to pledge any amount, large or small. To have forms mailed to you, contact Marshy Point Nature Center at 410-887-2817, All proceeds to benefit the Marshy Point Nature Center Council.

Before sending this form: Check the availability of your program(s) by calling, 410-887-2817 or visiting our office, Mon–Fri, 9am–5pm. Please understand that payment must be received within three days of making a phone reservation or the reservation may be yielded to the waiting list. If you need to cancel your reservation, please notify us as soon as possible.

Date	Name	Age	Program Date	# in Group	Phone Number	Program Cost

Advance registration is required for all programs. Programs begin promptly at start time, please arrive on time.

- Call 410-887-2817, M–F, 9am–5pm for availability & information.
- Payments must be received within **three days of reservation** and can be made in person (hours: M-F 9am–5pm), by mailing a check: Payable to: **MPNC Council**, 7130 Marshy Pt Rd, Balto. MD 21220, online: www.marshypoint.org.
- **Organizations must schedule programs separately from the programs (for families) listed in this publication.**
- Canoe & Boat Trips: Space is limited, **ages 8 & older.**
- **Courses:** Registration required. Price includes all materials.

Rain/Inclement Weather Policy

- All events are rain or shine unless a rain date is specified.
- Program leaders determine cancellations on the day of the program. Please call one hour before start time for status.

Other Important Information

- Participants under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.
- Fishing is not permitted from the shoreline. You may fish from your kayak or canoe.
- Dept. of Rec. & Parks, MPNC, staff, & volunteers are not liable for loss, theft, or damage to personal property.
- We reserve the right to deny any visitor to participate based on behavior that could jeopardize the safety of individuals/groups.



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