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CROMWELL VALLEY PARK

Summer 2017

Baltimore County Department of Recreation and Parks Cromwell Valley Park Council 2002 Cromwell Bridge Road, Baltimore, MD 21234

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL PROGRAMS, unless stated otherwise. PLEASE CONTACT US at 410-887-2503, or info@cromwellvallevpark.org, to make your reservations.

These programs are designed to provide a healthy and enjoyable experience for your child. They are not designed to provide childcare. Therefore, parents are encouraged to discuss attendance expectations with their children. Department staff cannot detain youth wishing to leave at any time. Children under 13 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.

Should you require special attention (i.e. sign language interpreter, large print, etc.), please give us as much notice as possible by calling the Park Office and/or Therapeutic office at 410-887-5370 or 410-887-5319 (TTY/Deaf)

Habitat Restoration Team - Weed Warrior Days!

We will remove invasive plants from the Park, plant natives and maintain restored habitat – great opportunities for high school students for community service and volunteers who like to work outdoors.

Wednesdays from 10 AM to 12 PM on June 14, 21; July 5, 19; August 2, 16.

Saturdays from 10 AM to 12 PM on June 3, 10, 24; July 15, 29; August 19, 26.

Meet at the Sherwood House Parking Lot. RSVP Laurie Taylor-Mitchell, Ltmitchell4@comcast.net

Thursdays, Starting June 1 to October 19 at 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM

Adult Garden Club – Ages 18+. Do you enjoy gardening but don't have the space or a deer-proof fence? Join like-minded green thumbs (or beginner brown thumbs) and tend to your own vegetable plot and community plots in our Children's Garden. We'll provide the seeds and seedlings for a summer and fall planting, and enjoy new recipes together with our harvest. \$35 members/\$45 non-members for 10 sessions (6/1, 6/15, 6/29, 7/27, 8/10, 8/24, 9/7, 9/21, 10/5 & 10/19) Children's Garden at Willow Grove Farm

Saturday, June 3 at 1 PM to 2:30 PM

<u>Tree Bark Baskets</u> – Adults ages 18+. This is the best time of year to collect and construct a tulip tree bark basket. Bring a folding pocket knife. \$2 member /\$4 non-members. *Primitive Technology Laboratory*

Sunday, June 4 at 1 PM to 2:30 PM

<u>Forest Animals and Their Tracks</u> – All ages. Join a Naturalist to find and identify animal tracks. Make a plaster cast of a track to take home. \$3 members /\$5 non-members. *Nature Center*

Saturday, June 10 at 1 PM to 2:30 PM

<u>Three Sisters Garden</u> – Ages 5+. Learn about the Native American method of "intercropping" corn, beans, and squash and then head to the Children's Garden to plant one of the "sisters". **\$2 members** /**\$4 non-members**. *Nature Center*

Sunday, June 11 at 1 PM to 2:00 PM

<u>The Little Red Hen and Friends</u> – All ages. Spend the hour getting up close with our resident flock and listen to a story. A snack will be provided. \$2 members /\$4 non-members. *Nature Center*

Saturday, June 17 at 1 PM to 3 PM

<u>Geocaching in the Park</u> – All ages. Join a Naturalist as we learn how to search for the hidden caches in the Park. \$2 members /\$4 non-members. *Nature Center*

Sunday, June 18 at 1 PM to 3 PM

<u>Father's Day Cookout & Cornhole</u> – All ages. Bring Dad out to the Park and we'll supply the hotdogs and games. *Dads are FREE*! \$3 per child members /\$5 per child non-members. *Nature Center*:

Friday, June 23 at 8 PM to 9:30 PM

<u>Summer Solstice Bonfire & S'mores</u> – All ages. Join a Naturalist for some fun around the campfire. \$3 members /\$5 non-members. *Nature Center*

Saturday, June 24 at 1 PM to 2:30 PM

<u>Pollinator Party</u> – All ages 5+. Birds, bees, butterflies, and more! Come celebrate National Pollinator's Week with a Naturalist and learn how these critters play a vital role in our lives and how you can help them. \$2 members /\$4 non-members. *Nature Center*

Sunday, June 25 at 1 PM to 2 PM

<u>Just For Kids-Insects</u> – Ages 3 to 10. What is an insect? Join a Naturalist to discover what an insect is and catch some creepy crawlies. *FREE! Nature Center*

Saturday, July 1 at 1 PM to 3 PM

Wild Berry Jam – All ages 6+. Wild berries are ripe for the picking. Learn how to turn this free-range fruit into delicious jam and take a jar home with you.

\$5 members /\$7 non-members. Nature Center

Sunday, July 2 at 10 AM to 3 PM

<u>Summer Adventure Trek</u> – All ages. Your adventure begins at the Nature Center. Stop by to get started on a self guided journey, and then return to the center to pick up your prize. Reservations NOT required. FREE! *Nature Center*

Friday, July 7 at 8 PM to 9:30 PM

Owl Prowl and Campfire - All ages 5+. Meet at the Nature Center then trek to our campfire site and call in "Mr. Hooty".

\$2 members /\$4 non-members. Nature Center

Saturday, July 8 at 11 AM

Canoe Dundee Creek - All ages 8+. Meet us at the Marshy Point Nature Center and discover the MARSH by canoe.

\$5 members /\$7 non-members. Call the Cromwell Valley Park office to reserve your space.

Sunday, July 9 at 1 PM to 2:30 PM

Secret Life of Bees - All ages. Buzz on over to the apiary for a keeper chat, hive demo and honey tasting.

\$2 members /\$4 non-members. Nature Center

Saturday, July 15 at 1 PM to 3 PM

<u>Ceramics ~ Part I</u> – **Ages 8+.** Ceramics were a vital part of Native American Life. Learn the basics of constructing a clay container using traditional tools. We will fire these pots next month in Ceramics ~ Part II (8/5).**\$2 members /\$4 non-members.** *Primitive Technology Laboratory*

Sunday, July 16 at 1 PM to 3 PM

<u>Frog Roundup</u> – All ages. Join a Naturalist as we hike to the bubbling *Marble Springs* in search of "froggy friends". Wear shoes that can get wet. \$2 members /\$4 non-members. *Nature Center*

Saturday, July 22 at 1 PM to 3 PM

Let's Get Wet - All ages. Come on down and explore Minebank Run. Wear shoes that can get wet.

FREE! Nature Center

Sunday, July 23 at 1 PM to 3 PM

<u>Campfire Cooking</u> – All ages. Why roast only hotdogs? Learn to cook gourmet fare over an open fire and be the hit of your next cookout. \$5 members /\$7 non-members. *Nature Center*

Saturday, July 29 at 1 PM to 3 PM

Wild Edibles - Adults ages 18+. Many parts of plants are edible. Join a Naturalist to collect and cook them.

\$3 members /\$5 non-members. Nature Center

Sunday, July 30 at 1 PM to 2:30 PM

<u>Poisonous Plants & Animals</u> – All ages 5+. Poison Ivy, cherry leaves and nightshade are all poisonous; and the copperhead snake is under foot! Learn how to identify and avoid them.

\$3 members /\$5 non-members. Nature Center.

Friday, August 4 at 8 PM to 9:30 PM

<u>Full Moon History Hike</u> – All ages 5+. Take a stroll to the "boulder field" to see our 100+ year old Sycamore tree by moonlight and hear stories of previous Park residents. \$2 members /\$4 non-members. *Nature Center*

Saturday, August 5 at 1 PM to 3 PM

<u>Ceramics ~ Part II</u> - All ages 8+. A clay pot is just mud until it has been fired. Bring your pot from Part I and fire it on a campfire. \$2 members /\$4 non-members. *Primitive Technology Laboratory*

Sunday, August 6 at 1 PM to 3 PM

<u>Summer Wildflower Walk</u> – Adults. The fields are in bloom! Take a hike in the Park with a Naturalist to discover the wildflowers of late summer. *FREE! Nature Center*

Saturday, August 12 at 1 PM to 3 PM

<u>Discovering Dragonflies</u> – All ages. Discover the dragonflies that call **CVP** home, and then take a walk to search for their larvae. Wear shoes that can get wet. *FREE! Nature Center*

Sunday, August 13 at 1 PM to 3 PM

<u>Earth Öven Pizza</u> – All ages 3+. Harvest fresh vegetables and herbs from our Children's Garden to make your own pizza in our Earth Oven. \$5 members /\$7 non-members. *Nature Center*

Wednesday, August 16 at 10 AM to 12 PM

<u>Preserving the Harvest: Salsa!</u> – Ages 5+. Learn to can salsa using fresh ingredients from the Children's Garden. Participants will take home a jar of salsa! **\$3 members /\$5 non-members.** *Nature Center*

Saturday, August 19 at 1 PM to 2:30 PM

<u>Go Native!</u> - All ages 8+. If you plant it, they will come! Learn how to turn even the smallest corner of your yard into a vibrant habitat for pollinators and other wildlife by planting native flowers, shrubs, and trees. \$2 members /\$4 non-members. *Nature Center*

Sunday, August 20 at 1 PM to 3 PM

<u>Cold Blooded Creatures on a Hot Summer Day</u> - All ages 8+. We have many snakes that inhabit Cromwell Valley. Join a Naturalist to see our collection and then go for a snake hunt. **\$2 members /\$4 non-members.** *Nature Center*

Wednesday, August 23 at 10 AM to 12 PM

<u>Preserving the Harvest: Pickle Party!</u> – Ages 5+. Learn to make refrigerator and heat-processed pickles using a variety of ingredients from the Children's Garden. Participants will take home their jars! \$3 members /\$5 non-members. *Nature Center*

Saturday, August 26 at 10 AM to 4 PM

<u>Dam Jam</u> – All ages. Join us for a celebration of our local reservoirs. Music, food, animal talks, history hikes, tours of the Loch Raven Dam, and more! *FREE!* Reservations NOT required. *Nature Center*

Sunday, August 27 at 1 PM to 2:30 PM

<u>Make Mine for Monarchs</u> – **Ages 5+.** Wander through our Children's Garden to learn what plants support all the stages of the monarch butterfly lifecycle. Then tag and release these majestic beauties for their migration to Mexico. **\$2 members /\$4 non-members.** *Nature Center*