

WINTER PROGRAMS REGISTRATION FROM
RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL PROGRAMS UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.
TO MAKE A RESERVATION ~ PHONE: 410.887.2503, TDD: 410.877.5319, EMAIL: info@cromwellvalleypark.org
ON LINE: https://cromwellvalleypark.campbrainregistration.com/
IF PAYING BY CHECK, please fill out this form and mail it with your payment. (See below for details.)

Cromwell Valley Park Council Member? (Please check one) _____Yes _____No

Your Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____City/State/Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____Cell Phone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

| Name of Program | Date | Number of Attendees | Price per Attendee | Total for Program |
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Payment must be made within 5 business days of your reservation.
All payments are donations and non-refundable unless CVP cancels the program.
Make checks payable to: Cromwell Valley Park Council (CVPC). The Park's Mailing Address is:
Cromwell Valley Park, 2002 Cromwell Bridge Road, Baltimore, MD 21234.

Rain/Inclement Weather Policy

*All events are rain or shine unless a rain date is specified.

*Program leaders will call registered participants only in the event of cancellation at least 1 hour before program start.

These programs are designed for individuals and families, **not groups**. They are not designed to provide childcare. Therefore, parents are encouraged to discuss attendance expectations with their children. Park staff cannot detain youth wishing to leave at any time. Children under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. Should you require special accommodations (i.e., language interpreter, large print, etc.) please give as much notice as possible by calling the Park Office, or the Therapeutic Recreation Office at 410.887.5370.



Cromwell Valley Park
2002 Cromwell Bridge Road
Parkville, MD 21234

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PROGRAMS & EVENTS CALENDAR

CROMWELL VALLEY PARK
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Department of Recreation & Parks

DECEMBER 2019



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REGISTRATION OPENS ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13 at 9 AM

Sunday, December 1 at 1 PM to 3 PM

Winter Debris Shelters – Ages 10+. Learn how to make a winter debris shelter (also known as a Wickiup in the South-west) that could save your life! **\$2 members/\$4 non-members. Willow Grove Nature Center**

Saturday, December 7 at 10 AM to 1 PM

Holiday Open House – All ages. Find all of your holiday excitement on one farm. Come visit the Sherwood House for the holidays. Seasonal crafts, cookie decorating, hot cider, music, and visit with **SANTA!** Then stop by **TALMAR** for your tree & poinsettia! Reservations **NOT** required. **\$3 per person/ \$10 per family. Sherwood House**

Sunday, December 8 at 1 PM to 3 PM

Clay Pot Cooking – Ages 10+. Ceramics pots made it possible for humans to cook as we were meant to do. Learn to make a wild stew with primitive tools outside at the fire pit. **\$ 3 members/\$5 non-members. Primitive Tech Laboratory**

Saturday, December 14 at 1 PM to 2:30 PM

Holiday Centerpieces – Ages 13+. The fresh greens in your arrangement will bring the scent and beauty of the outdoors to your table. Please bring thin garden gloves if your hands are sensitive to the sap and prickles of the pines. **\$7 members/\$10 non-members. Willow Grove Nature Center**

Sunday, December 15 at 1 PM to 3 PM

Earth Oven Pizza with Wild Greens – All ages. Yes, there are edible plants found in the winter. Head out with a Naturalist to find them and use them for toppings on your pizza! Dress for the weather! **\$4 members/\$6 non-members. Willow Grove Nature Center**

Friday, December 20 at 5:30 PM to 7 PM

Full Owl Moon Night Hike - Ages 8+. We'll start off with a short talk in the center and then go on a search for "Mr. Hootie" on the trails. Dress for the weather! **\$2 members/\$4 non-members. Willow Grove Nature Center**

Saturday, December 21 at 1 PM to 3 PM

Solstice Celebration – Ages 3+. Come celebrate the shortest day of the year. We'll take a short hike in the Park to gather natural materials to create your own solstice lantern while we sip on hot chocolate. **\$5 members/\$7 non-members. Willow Grove Nature Center**

Sunday, December 22 at 10 AM to 2 PM

Trivia Trail Trek - All ages. Pick up a self-guided trail book, answer the trivia questions, and return to the Nature Center for your prize! Drop in program. Reservations **NOT** required. **FREE! Willow Grove Nature Center**

Wednesday, December 25

Merry Christmas! *The Nature Center and Park Office will be closed,* but the Park will be open for this Baltimore County holiday.

Saturday, December 28 at 1 PM to 2 PM

Law of Claw & Fang – All ages. Join a Naturalist to learn about food chains and help us feed our animal collection. Drop in program. Reservations **NOT** required. **FREE! Willow Grove Nature Center**

Sunday, December 29 at 10 AM to 3 PM

Visit our Nature Center Day! - All ages. Visit the Nature Center, enjoy the exhibits, visit with our animals, and have a cup of hot chocolate or coffee on us! Drop in program. Reservations **NOT** required. **FREE! Willow Grove Nature Center**

HABITAT RESTORATION TEAM - WEED WARRIOR DAYS!

We'll remove invasive plants from the Park in warmer weather, and also plant natives and maintain restored habitat. These are great opportunities for High School students for community service and volunteers who like to work outdoors.

Saturdays from 2 to 4 pm on December 14, 21; January 11, 25; February 1, 22.

Meet at the Sherwood House Parking Lot at the Sherwood Farm entrance to the Park.

RSVP directly to HRT Volunteer Chair, Laurie Taylor-Mitchell, Ltmitchell4@comcast.net



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Wednesday, January 1

Happy New Year! *The Nature Center and Park Office will be closed*, but the Park will be open for this Baltimore County holiday.

Saturday, January 4 at 1 PM to 3 PM

Registration for this program is available **ONLY** through our on-line system.

Scout Day ~ Fire Making – Ages 5 to 11 with Adult. This program is for both **Girl AND Boy Scouts**. Learn how to make a fire using flint and steel, friction and matches. Participants receive a Cromwell Valley Park logo patch. Please do NOT bring siblings as this program is intended for the Scout and their parent or leader. **\$5 per Scout. Nature Center**

Sunday, January 5 at 1 PM to 2 PM

Hibernation ~ Where Do They Go? – All ages. Just who are our winter hibernators at the Park? Where do reptiles and amphibians go during cold weather? Join a Naturalist to find out. Dress for the weather! **\$2 members/ \$4 non-members. Willow Grove Nature Center**

Friday, January 10 at 6 PM to 8 PM

Full Cold Moon Hike – Ages 5+. Native Americans would hear wolves howling outside their wigwams and Great Horned Owls begin their mating season this time of year. Dress for the weather! **\$2 members/\$4 non-members. Willow Grove Nature Center**

Saturday, January 11 at 1 PM to 3 PM

Wintertime Natural Ornaments – Ages 8+. The holidays are over and the tree is down; but you can still make some wintertime decorations and use nature's art supplies. **\$2 members/\$4 non-members. Willow Grove Nature Center**

Sunday, January 12 at 1 PM to 2:30 PM

Winter Birds and Nests – All ages. Enjoy an easy walk through the Park with a Naturalist to observe our winter residents. We'll look for last season's nests outdoors then head inside to examine our nest exhibits and the eggs they left behind. **\$2 members/ \$4 non-members. Willow Grove Nature Center**

Saturday, January 18 at 8 AM to 10 AM

Winter Birding with Expert Birder, John Canoles – Ages 12+. Our winter residents are tough adaptive birds. Learn their markings with John and his father, Noot, then head back to the Nature Center for hot chocolate and coffee. Bring binoculars if you have them. **\$2 members/\$4 non-members. Willow Grove Nature Center**

Sunday, January 19 at 1 PM to 3 PM

River Cane Arrows – Ages 14+. River cane is essentially American bamboo. Learn how to straighten, cut, fletch and glue your own primitive arrow with sinew and hide glue. **\$3 members/\$5 non-members. Primitive Tech Laboratory**

Monday, January 20

Happy Birthday Dr. King! *The Nature Center and Park Office will be closed*, but the Park will be open for this County holiday.

Tuesdays, January 21 to February 25 at 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM

Wednesdays, January 22 to February 26 at 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM

Registration for this program is available **ONLY** through our on-line system.

Trail Tots (formerly known as Polliwog Preschool) - Ages 2 to 5 with Adult. In this class, you and your little one will explore the natural world through hands-on activities, nature play, stories and crafts. **Non-mobile siblings only, parent/guardian must be an active participant.** Dress for the outdoors. **\$60 members /\$80 non-members for 6 sessions.** Register for **ONE** series only. **Willow Grove Nature Center**

Saturday, January 25 at 1 PM to 3 PM

O My Gourd! – Ages 8+. Create a gourd house for wrens, chickadees or swallows. The gourds were grown in our very own Children's Garden under the watchful eye of Ranger Anne. **\$5 members/\$7 non-members. Willow Grove Nature Center**

Sunday, January 26 at 1 PM to 3 PM

Apples in the Oven - Ages 10+. Apples were and are the long keeper fruit. Join a Naturalist to learn about John Chapman, THE Johnny Appleseed. Then role up your sleeves and roll out the dough to make an apple tart in our Earth Oven. **\$3 members/ \$5 non-members. Willow Grove Nature Center**



LOOKING FORWARD TO SUMMER NATURE CAMP 2020!

On-line registration for all Summer Nature Camps begins at
10 AM on January 15, 2020.

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Saturday, February 1 at 1 PM to 2:30 PM

Cabin Fever – All ages. Have cabin fever? We have the cure. Get plenty of Vitamin D and help ward off those winter time blues while we take a hike on our trails. We will retire to the Nature Center for hot chocolate afterwards. **\$2 members/\$4 non-members. Willow Grove Nature Center**

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

Wood Chuck, Groundhog, Whistle Pig, Pasture Poodle, Land Beaver, or Punxsutawney Phil? – Ages 8+. They're all the same mysterious animal. Learn about the woodchuck's biology, search for a burrow, and if you're brave, taste some ground hog stew! **\$3 members/\$5 non-members. Willow Grove Nature Center**

Friday, February 7 at 6 PM to 7:30 PM

Full Maple Moon Night Hike – Ages 5+. Sap in the sugar maples begins to rise and native people would make sugar from the sap. Travel with a Naturalist to find a maple tree, tap it, and then head back to the center for maple flavored hot chocolate. Dress for the weather! **\$3 members/\$5 non-members. Willow Grove Nature Center**

Saturday, February 8 at 1 PM to 3 PM

Mayan Chocolate Making – Ages 8+. *Theobroma Cacao* in Latin means "Food of the Gods" and is sacred to the Mayan people. Learn the traditional Mayan method for turning cacao beans into chocolate and make some of your own to take home! **\$10 members/ \$12 non-members. Willow Grove Nature Center**

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

Dead Leaves, Cheese, Butter and Kimchi - Ages 8+. What do they have in common? Fermentation, of course! Learn how fermentation allows the planet to work and then make your own kimchi. Bring a mason jar if you have one. **\$5 members/ \$7 non-members. Willow Grove Nature Center**

Saturday, February 15 at 1 PM to 3 PM

Bone Tools ~ Osteo-technology - Adults. Bone was widely used by early man. Learn how to make an awl or a bone knife. We will grind on stone with sand and water. **\$3 members/\$5 non-members. Primitive Technology Laboratory**

Sunday, February 16 at 1 PM to 3 PM

Nature Quest Winter Hike – All ages. Pick up your Nature Quest Passport at the Nature Center and join a Naturalist to find the markers. Dress for the weather! **\$2 members/\$4 non-members. Willow Grove Nature Center**

Monday, February 17

Happy President's Day! *The Nature Center and Park Office will be closed*, but the Park will be open for this County holiday.

Saturday, February 22 AND Sunday, February 23 at 11 AM to 3 PM each day

Maple Sugaring Weekend – All ages. Native people made sugar from the sap of our native maples. Join a Naturalist for this on-going program to tap a tree, boil some sap and make a pancake. Drop in program. **FREE!** Reservations **NOT** required. **Willow Grove Nature Center**

Saturday, February 29 at 1 PM to 2:30 PM

Twig and Leaf Creatures – Ages 2 to 10 with Adult. The woods are bare, but there are lots of twigs and leaves we can collect. Come take a walk, gather our supplies, and then return to the Nature Center to make your very own "VALLEY CREATURE". **\$2members/\$4 non-members. Willow Grove Nature Center**

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

Mad as a March Hare – Ages 2 to 5 with Adult. Where did this saying come from? Rabbits and hares are related, but they're not the same! Join us to learn some of their differences, meet one, and then make a rabbit or hare craft to take home. **\$3 members/ \$5 non-members. Willow Grove Nature Center**

COUNTY LAW REQUIRES THAT YOUR DOG MUST BE ON A LEASH AT ALL TIMES!

This law applies to **ALL** dog owners and **ALL** dog walkers.
Please be considerate to our Park patrons and use our **MUTT MITT Stations**.



PARK GATES CLOSING

Cromwell Valley Park is open for public visitation 365 days a year from **SUNRISE** to **SUNSET**.

The gates at Willow Grove AND Sherwood entrances are closed each evening at sunset and re-opened at sunrise.

All Park visitors are required to leave the Park PRIOR to closing the gates.

This procedure will ensure that the Park remains a **safe and secure place for everyone in Baltimore County to enjoy.**