

NATURE



LET'S GO EXPLORE ROCKS

November-December 2011

Catoctin Creek Park (Middletown)
Fountain Rock Park (Walkersville)

To register, call 301-600-2936



PRESCHOOL

NEW! BLACK BEAR, BLACK BEAR

Soon black bears will settle down for the winter in the mountains around us. We will learn about bears in winter through stories, activities, and a fun bear craft! Parents are free!

3-5 yrs/ 1 day/ \$12

Fountain Rock Park

13564 Fri, 11/4 10:00-11:15 am

CREEK CHUBS CLUB

These programs are designed for little nature lovers! Your child will learn about the natural world through stories, live animals, nature walks, hands on crafts, and games. Dress appropriately for outdoor activities.

2-3 yrs/1 day/\$12

Catoctin Creek Park

13469 Thu, 11/3 10:00-11:00 am

13470 Tue, 11/15 10:00-11:00 am

13471 Thu, 12/1 10:00-11:00 am

13472 Tue, 12/13 10:00-11:00 am

NEW! HAVE YOU SEEN GREEN?

The green leaves of summer are missing! Solve the mystery through activities and a hike in the park. Stories about fall colors will be read and a fun fall craft will close the case! Parents are free.

3-5 yrs/ 1 day/ \$12

Fountain Rock Park

13562 Thu, 11/3 10:00-11:15 am

I ♥ NATURE

Little knee-high naturalists will explore the natural world through stories, activities, crafts, and the live animals at the nature center. Each session will feature a different story-based theme. Be surprised at all your child can learn! Parents are free!

3-5 yrs/ 1 day/ \$12

Fountain Rock Park

13567 Tue, 11/8 10:00-11:15 am

13568 Tue, 12/13 10:00-11:15 am

LET'S GET SQUIRRELLY!

Fall is a busy time for squirrels! Together we will learn how squirrels prepare for winter through stories, games, and hands-on activities.

We'll go outside and look for squirrels before making our take-home craft. Parents are free!

3-5 yrs/ 1 day/ \$12

Fountain Rock Park

13549 Wed, 11/16 10:00-11:15 am

NATURE TALES INSIDE AND OUT

Kids, bring your parents and a blanket to sit on as we venture into the woods or inside the nature center for story time! Afterwards we'll enjoy games, activities, and make a craft.

3-5 yrs/ 1 day/ \$12

Catoctin Creek Park

13475 Wed, 11/9 10:00-11:00 am

13476 Wed, 12/7 10:00-11:00 am

TURKEY TROT

Have you seen a turkey trot? Do you know how they sound. Learn about this bird that nearly was our National Symbol. Come dressed to get messy because we will make a turkey using paint and our hands! You'll have a unique turkey and a lasting set of handprints to enjoy as your child grows bigger each year.

3-5 yrs/ 1 day/ \$12

Catoctin Creek Park

13480 Sat, 11/12 10:00-11:00 am

WEE ONE FUN

Join us for a new series of programs for our youngest knee-hi naturalists!! In this parent/child program, we'll explore the natural world through songs, stories, puppets and live animals! Each session will feature a different theme and a craft. Price is per parent/child pair.

2-3 yrs/ 1 day/ \$12

Fountain Rock Park

13558 Wed, 11/9 10:00-10:45 am

13555 Wed, 12/14 10:00-10:45 am

WINTER WONDERLAND PRESCHOOL PARTY

Come and have some fun at the Nature Center. Celebrate the changing season. Sing some songs, play some games and make a wintry craft.

2-5 yrs/ 1 day/ \$12

Catoctin Creek Park

13483 Tue, 12/20 10:00-11:00 am

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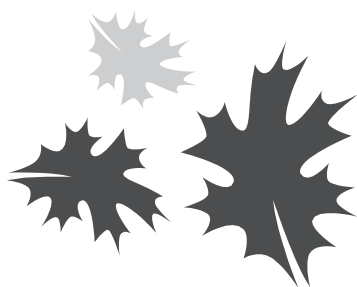
ALL ABOUT SNAKES!!

It's cold outside, but it's a great day to come over to Fountain Rock Park and meet the snakes in their habitat homes in the nature center. Did you ever wonder why snakes flick their tongues so much? You will be able to touch their scales and watch them slither along as they investigate their homes. This is a hands-on program!

6-12 yrs/ 1 day/ \$12

Fountain Rock Park

13573 Sat, 11/12 1:00-2:15 pm





COMPASS TREASURE HUNT

Participate in a fun and exciting scavenger hunt at Fountain Rock Park! Learn how to read a compass, orient yourself, and find various sites. An accompanying adult is encouraged to come along and partner with the child and also learn. Parents are free!
7-12 yrs/ 1 day/ \$12
Fountain Rock Park
13578 Sun, 11/20 10:00-12:00 pm

FISHY PRINTS

Learn about the features that make a fish a fish! Learn about fish anatomy and create an artistic fish print on cloth to take home. This is a hands-on program using creativity and color!
6-12 yrs/ 1 day/ \$12
Fountain Rock Park
13572 Sat, 11/12 10:00-11:15 am



HOME SCHOOL DAYS

Allow our experienced naturalists to enrich your child's studies through a multi-disciplinary approach using nature as a focus. Each month a different age-appropriate topic is presented. Parents are encouraged to attend, but are also required to register.

5-12 yrs/ 1 day/ \$4.50
Fountain Rock Park

"The Weather Sky"
13576 Thu, 11/17 1:00-2:30 pm

"Considerate and Caring"
13577 Thu, 12/15 1:00-2:30 pm

HOME SCHOoled JUNIOR NATURALISTS

Calling all Junior Naturalist! Through hikes, experiments, and other hands-on activities each month, you can learn all about some of your favorite nature topics with a naturalist. Dress for being outside.

7-12 yrs/ 1 day/ \$4
Catoctin Creek Park

13488 Tue, 11/8 10:00-11:30 am
13489 Tue, 12/6 10:00-11:30 am

LASTING IMPRESSIONS

We will go on a nature hike and collect leaves, pine needles and other objects. When we return to the center, we will make coasters from clay and materials supplied by mother nature. Enjoy seeing which objects leave the best impressions and create a unique coaster to take home to let dry for a day or two. You'll be left with a lasting impression.

6-12 yrs/ 1 day/ \$12
Catoctin Creek Park
13490 Sat, 11/5 10:00-12:00 pm

THANKSGIVING CRAFT – CORN HUSK DOLLS

Come learn to make a classic Native American toy that can be used as a Thanksgiving decoration.



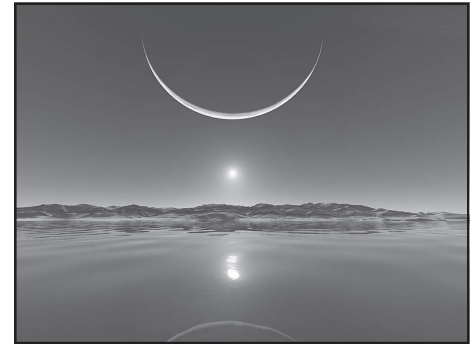
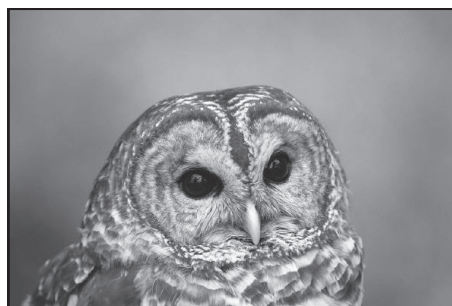
Learn to make a corn husk doll. While we wait for the husks to soften, we will learn about the corn snake that lives at the nature center. Why is it called a corn snake? Does it eat corn? After a brief animal program, children will learn how to make corn husk dolls. Who knew you could recycle your corn husks and turn them into a cute toy?

8-14yrs/ 1 day/ \$12
Catoctin Creek Park
13495 Sat, 11/19 12:00-1:30 pm

WHOO-RAY FOR OWLS!

Join the park naturalist and dissect an owl pellet! Find out what this awesome bird of prey eats by looking for bones, skulls, and other delectable owl fare!

8-13 yrs/ 1 day/ \$12
Catoctin Creek Park
13491 Sun, 11/6 1:00-2:00 pm



WINTER SOLSTICE

Learn about the longest night of the year; and its meaning to different cultures from the past to the present. Make a craft to "light up the night."
6-12 yrs/ 1 day/ \$12
Fountain Rock Park
13588 Thu, 12/22 4:30-5:45 pm

WINTER MINI-CAMP

Bring your children to the nature center at Catoctin Creek or Fountain Rock so you will have free time to prepare for the holidays! Children will meet the resident critters up close and personal. They will enjoy nature programs, games, and crafts. Bring a bag lunch!
6-10 yrs/ 1 day/ \$25
Catoctin Creek Park
13586 Sat, 12/10 10:00-3:00 pm
Fountain Rock Park
13587 Sat, 12/10 10:00-3:00 pm

FAMILY

FULL MOON CAMPFIRE

Under the glow of the moon, many creatures of the night will be out and about! We'll learn about the park's nocturnal residents, and play fun games; bring marshmallows if you would like to roast them. Children under 3 are free.

All ages/ 1 day/ \$4
Catoctin Creek Park
13500 Fri, 11/11 5:30-7:00 pm

WILDLIFE EXPLORATION WALKS

Discover what's going on in the woods and fields around Catoctin Creek Park. We'll take a stroll along one of the park's trails exploring and enjoying being outdoors!
All ages yrs/ 1 day/ \$12
Catoctin Creek Park
13503 Sun, 11/20 2:00-3:30 pm

HEARD IT THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE

I heard it through the grapevine that grapevine wreaths are fun to make! We will take a hike in the park and cut down some grapevines to make our own grapevine wreath. We will also find some fall foliage to add to our wreaths so that they will make a beautiful decoration in time for Thanksgiving!



8+ yrs/ 1 day/ \$12
Catoctin Creek Park
13508 Sun, 11/6 1:00-2:30 pm

HOLIDAY FOR THE BIRDS

Come and help the birds celebrate the holidays by making some treats to help get through the winter months.

6 + yrs/ 1 day/ \$12
Catoctin Creek Park
13509 Sun, 12/11 2:00-3:00 pm

Nature- Teen & Adult

NEW! BLUE BIRD EARRING CRAFT

Come to Fountain Rock Park and learn about our friends the Blue Bird and what happens to them in the winter. Learn to craft a Blue Bird nest and egg pendant for a necklace for yourself or to give as a gift. All materials will be supplied. This is a great program for teen home schoolers and adults!

8+ yrs/ 1 day/ \$15
Fountain Rock Park
13589 Sun, 11/6 1:00-2:00 pm



Sacred Roots Programs

EARTH AWARENESS



Although it's the only home we have ever known- how well do we really know this Earth we call home? We often take for granted all those amazing wonders that are right under our noses every day. Come explore and connect with the natural world using all of your senses, through interactive and fun group exercises.

16 + yrs/1 day/ \$18
Catoctin Creek Park
13518 Sun, 11/13 1:00-3:00 pm
Fountain Rock Park
13519 Sun, 11/13 1:00-3:00 pm

DEBRIS SHELTERS

The amazing thing about the natural world is that everything is recycled and can be reused. Did you know that you can create a primitive shelter that will keep you warm and dry out of fallen branches and leaves? Debris shelters, or huts, require no tools to build and the materials are all things that can be found outside. Learn how to build a debris shelter and we will make one together.



8 + yrs/1 day/ \$15
Catoctin Creek Park
13520 Sat, 11/19 10:00-12:00 pm



MAKING RECYCLED PAPER/JOURNALS

Learn how to make useful and unique handmade journals by recycling paper and other materials like blue jeans, flowers and herbs. This will make a perfect handmade gift for the holidays.

10+ yrs/1 day/ \$20
Catoctin Creek Park
13521 Thu, 12/1 7:00-9:00 pm

HERBAL SOAP MAKING

Soap-making is an ancient art that allows you to pamper yourself using flowers and herbs, and other goodies from Mother Nature. Treat yourself or a friend for the holidays. Learn how to make all natural herbal soaps and make and take some home with you. \$5 material fee due at first class.



10+ yrs/1 day/ \$20
Catoctin Creek Park
13522 Thu, 12/15 7:00-9:00 pm

For Directions to the Parks, Visit www.Recreater.com



WINTER BREAK: PRIMITIVE SKILLS DAY

MAKING CORDAGE

Did you know that you can make string out of plants and tree bark? Cordage is a type of rope or string that can be made from many different fibers. Learn about the different natural materials that can be used to make cordage and make your own to take home and use.

10+ yrs/1 day/ \$15

Catoctin Creek Park

13539 Wed, 12/28 10:00-12:00 pm



GOURD BOWLS

Did you know that you can make a useful and beautiful bowl out of a dried gourd? Our ancestors did. They used what was available to them for storage and created vessels that were works of art. In this workshop, we will create gourd bowls of our own to take home and use. \$5 material fee due at first class.



13+ yrs/1 day/ \$20

Catoctin Creek Park

13540 Wed, 12/28 12:30-2:30 pm

DREAM CATCHERS

In the Native American tradition, dream catchers were intended to protect the sleeping individual from negative dreams, while letting positive dreams through. Made out of naturally found materials, these organic creations also serve as a reminder that we are all connected to the web of life. Learn how to make our own personal dream catchers and feel free to bring any natural objects that you may already have.



\$2 material fee due at first class.

13+ yrs/1 day/ \$18

Catoctin Creek Park

13541 Wed, 12/28 3:00-5:00 pm

Frederick County Division of Parks and Recreation REGISTRATION FORM

Mail: FCDPR, 118 North Market St., Frederick, MD 21701 (Please make check payable to **Frederick County Treasurer**)

By Phone: 301-600-2936

Fax: 301-600-2595

Parent/Guardian Name (if participant is under 18 years of age) _____

Address _____ **City** _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Home Phone _____ **Work/Cell Phone** _____ **E-mail** _____

Emergency Contact Name _____ **Emergency Phone** _____

Medical Conditions: Participant name: _____ Medical Condition: _____

Participant's Name	Gender	D.O.B.	Program Name	Program Code	Fee
		/ /			\$
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<i>Attach additional registrations on a separate piece of paper if necessary</i>				TOTAL DUE	\$
Credit Card (Visa, MasterCard, Discover) Card # _____ Exp. Date _____				<i>We will notify you only if there is a problem or a change in the program.</i>	

Waiver of Liability: By my signature below, I acknowledge that there are inherent risks and dangers associated with recreation program/s and therefore, I hold Frederick County Commissioners harmless from all claims of injury, damage, or loss which may result from my, or my child(ren)'s participation in the program/s listed above.

Discipline Policy: I understand that the Division has a discipline policy for conduct in recreation programs and facilities. In the event that I/my child is asked to leave a program/facility, I understand that the registration fee will not be refunded to me.

Authorization for use of Photographic Likeness: I agree to allow Frederick County Parks and Recreation to take and utilize photos, slides, and video images of the above registered individual/s for the purpose of promotion and publicizing of the Division's programs and/or events. If I prefer to not allow the above registered individual/s to be photographed, I will call 301-600-1684 to register my request.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Refund policy: If you want to withdraw from a program, call 301-600-2936. All requests for refunds must be made 2-weeks prior to the start of the program. A \$4 processing fee will be charged for each participant per program refunded. All refund requests must be approved by the Recreation