

March 2025

Patapsco Valley State Park Soldiers Delight NEA

Register [here](#) or by contacting us at 410-461-5005. patapsco.statepark@maryland.gov

Accommodations for individuals with disabilities will be provided upon request. Two weeks advance notice is requested.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Unless otherwise noted, events are held rain or shine, free and fun for all ages; donations are always welcome. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Dress for the weather/activity, wear sunscreen and insect repellent, bring plenty of water and snacks, and remember to check for ticks.</p>						1
2 9- Beginner Birder Winter Walk	3	4	5	6	7	8
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23 1- Invasives on the Trails	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Centers of SDNEA & PVSP Hours of Operation

Soldiers Delight NEA Visitor Center: Daily, 11-3 p.m.

5100 Deer Park Road, Owings Mills, MD 21117

William Offutt Johnson History Center: Open by appointment.

William Offutt Johnson History Center: 5120 South Street, Halethorpe, MD 21227

Nature Center: Open by appointment.

Nature Center: 1101 Hilton Avenue, Catonsville, MD 21228

March 2: Beginner Winter Bird Walk

9:30-11:30 a.m. at McKeldin Area, Ranger Station

11676 Marriottsville Road, Marriottsville, MD 21104

Winter is a great time to start bird watching! While migratory birds are still south for the season, beginner birders can practice their ID skills on our Maryland “regulars.” Be prepared for a hilly 2.5 mile hike with moderate incline to practice your basic field skills, accumulate helpful resources, and build your confidence in this new outdoor activity. Binoculars and guidebooks will be provided. [Sign up required](#). Limited to 10 participants. Shine only.

March 15: Astronomical Phenomena: Eclipses, Meteor Showers, and other Spectacular Events in the Night Sky

6:30-8:30 p.m. at Soldiers Delight Visitor Center

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Astronomical phenomena such as eclipses, meteor showers, and other spectacular events in the night sky captivate our imagination and offer a glimpse into the vastness of the universe. Eclipses, whether solar or lunar, occur when the Earth, moon, and sun align, casting shadows and creating breathtaking visual displays. Meteor showers, like the Perseids or Geminids, result from Earth passing through the debris left by comets, producing streaks of light as meteoroids burn up in the atmosphere. Other phenomena, such as auroras, are caused by solar particles interacting with Earth’s magnetic field, painting the sky with vibrant colors. These events not only provide stunning visuals but also deepen our understanding of celestial mechanics and the dynamic nature of our cosmos. [Signup encouraged](#). Rain or shine.

March 22: STEM Like a Girl

1-3 p.m. at Soldiers Delight Visitor Center

5100 Deer Park Road, Owings Mills, MD 21117

Join Soldiers Delight in celebrating Women’s History Month by empowering girls with knowledge and confidence in STEM - Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math. Explore the world around you with exciting hands-on activities from various STEM fields. [Signup encouraged](#). Rain or shine.

March 23: Invasives on the Trails

1-3 p.m. at McKeldin Area, Basketball Courts

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Invasive species are all around us, but can you identify them? Join us to learn how with a Naturalist on a guided hike that will take you through the woods and down to the riverbank where we will identify and discuss remediation efforts! This hike will have elevation changes and will be about 1.4 miles in length. [Sign up encouraged](#), limited to 20 participants. Shine only.