Dress for the weather and activity, wear sunscreen and insect repellant, bring plenty of water and snacks, and remember to check for ticks.

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All events are all ages and free unless otherwise noted.

Flower Power
10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Nature Center
Flowers are beautiful! But, they also have an important ecological purpose. Come learn about the anatomy of a flower by looking deep inside, and see how flowers bribe insects to pollinate them. Then, do a flower craft project.

Animal Tracks
11 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the Nature Center
Join a park naturalist to learn about animal tracks – who makes them and where – and then go on a short walk to look for tracks.

Pollinator Hotels
10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Nature Center
Honeybees get the most attention, but did you know that the solitary bees of Maryland (such as mason bees) are also important to ecosystems? Stop by the Nature Center to learn about these overlooked but essential little insects. You can make a simple pollinator hotel to take home and attract your own mason bees!

Meet the Reptiles
11 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the Nature Center
Many reptiles play a vital role in the ecology of our natural world. This presentation will provide an opportunity to learn more about this interesting group of animals and will include the chance to see a live Corn Snake. Come see how corn snakes have adjusted to meet the challenges of their environment. This presentation is suitable for all ages.

Who Lives in Our Pond?
11 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the Nature Center
Join a park naturalist to learn about park ecosystems, then observe and investigate what lives in our pond.

All About Bugs
10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Nature Center
Insects are everywhere! Come learn how to identify some common insects and discover the secret but crucial roles that they play in the ecosystem. Make an take a pipe cleaner insect of your own!

Cemetery Hike
1 p.m. at the Nature Center
Join a volunteer ranger for a hike of the park’s Cemetery Trail. The hike will be about 3.5 miles round trip, explores a new area of the southern park, and visits the historic Howard Chapel Cemetery. There are two “step across” creek crossings and varied terrain. Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring water. Meet at the Nature Center.

I Spy Nature
11 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the Nature Center
Make your own binoculars and learn about the diversity of life in different habitats. Then use your binoculars to see what you can observe in the park.

18th & 19th Century Water Mills on the Upper Patuxent River
11 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Nature Center
The upper Patuxent River and its tributaries were the location of a number of water-powered mills. The mills on the river supported the land owners by grinding their grain and cutting their lumber (among other functions). See an exhibit showing the history of the mills that have been identified in the area. A mill was also located on the Alf Brown House site. The exhibit will also include a discussion on the history of the Alf Brown House.

Those Squirrelly Squirrels
10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Nature Center
Gray squirrels are the most common mammals in our area...but what do you really know about them? Stop by the Nature Center to see a display about these marvelous yet mischievous little animals. Make a simple piece of squirrel art out of acorns to take with you.