

March 2024

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>Are you interested in setting up a private program for your family or friends? https://forms.gle/JkypVLag99Dsm8mu7 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
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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

Nature Center & William Offutt Johnson History Center: Closed, open for appointment requests and upon availability. [Request here.](#)

Nature Center: 1101 Hilton Avenue, Catonsville, MD 21228

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

March 3 & 17: Serpentine Ecosystem Restoration Project

9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. at Soldiers Delight Natural Environment Area

5100 Deer Park Road, Owings Mills, MD 21117

The Maryland Natural Heritage Program is holding several Serpentine Ecosystem Restoration Project work days this winter at Soldiers Delight Natural Environment Area. Volunteers will assist by removing non-native Virginia pine and other invasive plants, allowing grasses to recolonize the area. A variety of methods will be employed, including hand-pulling, chipping, and use of hand tools. Bring a lunch, snacks, and plenty of water. Pack light, with layered clothing, a hat, sturdy shoes, and work gloves. Call 410-260-8568 after 7 p.m. the night before the event to check for inclement weather schedule changes. Space is limited, so registration is required! Email paula.becker@maryland.gov to register.

March 9: S.T.E.M. Like a Girl, Pre-Hike

11 - 1 p.m. at Soldiers Delight Visitor Center

5100 Deer Park Road, Owings Mills, MD 21117

Get your blood pumping on the 2.5 mile Serpentine Trail with a Naturalist before attending the annual S.T.E.M. Like a Girl event! Discuss the ways that STEM influence the conservation of the Serpentine barren before the main event! Trail rated moderate for slight incline and uneven terrain. Shine only. [Sign up required.](#)

March 9: S.T.E.M. Like a Girl

11 - 1 p.m. at Soldiers Delight Visitor Center

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Join us to celebrate women in Science, Technology, Engineering & Math. Enjoy hands-on activities, demonstrations and interactive table displays led by specialists in their respective fields in an informal, walk by setting. Let's show everyone why having diverse voices in the workplace is important! [Sign up encouraged](#), rain or shine. This event is recommended for all ages.

March 10: Reptile Rendering

12 - 2 p.m. at Soldiers Delight NEA, Visitor Center

5100 Deer Park Road, Owings Mills, MD 21117

Join park staff at Soldiers Delight for a watercolor paint night and meet one of our residential Scales & Tales turtles! All materials provided. Beginners encouraged! **\$10 per painter.** [Sign up encouraged.](#) Groups larger than 5 must sign up in advance to ensure enough materials for all participants. Recommended ages 10 & up.

March 20: Rings Tell Stories

11 - Noon at McKeldin Area, Basketball Court

11676 Marriottsville Road, Marriottsville, MD 21104

There are many legends that talk of trees being ancient and wise. There are some that talk of trees being mischievous in nature. Join a Naturalist to learn about some of the legends and myths surrounding trees to celebrate World Storytelling Day. [Sign up encouraged](#), rain or shine.

March 23: Grandparents & Me - Bud Break

11 - Noon at William Offutt Johnson History Center

5120 South Street, Halethorpe, MD 21227

Nature comes back to life in spring, so why not come on a hike to look at some trees as they come out of dormancy. Join a naturalist as they lead you in identifying some of the blossoms and buds that will burst open come spring. [Sign up encouraged](#), shine only.

March 25: Full Moon Hike

7 - 8:30 p.m. at Hilton, Shelter 245

1101 Hilton Ave, Catonsville, MD 21228

Join a staff-led hike to enjoy the river by the light of the Worm Moon at Hilton. This 1.5 mile hike is on a paved trail and is perfect for beginner hikers. There are no lights in the parking lot, please bring a flashlight. [Sign up required](#), clear weather only.

SAVE THE DATE!

Junior Rangers [sign up](#) begins March 1!

Senior Rangers [sign up](#) begins April 1!