

May 2023

Patapsco Valley State Park
Soldiers Delight NEA

Register [here](#) or by contacting us at 410-461-5005.
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month	1	2	3	4	5 10 - Little Explorers	6
7	8	9 9 - Litter Clean Up	10	11	12 10 - Little Explorers	13 10 - Multi-Generational Fun - Canoeing
14	15	16 9 - Litter Clean Up	17	18	19 10 - Little Explorers Global Accessibility Awareness Day	20 10 - Canoe Photo + Adaptive Paddle 8 - Eta Aquarids Meteor Shower
21	22	23 9 - Litter Clean Up	24	25	26	27 8 - Campfire Program: Owl Prowl
28	29 11 - Invasives Removal	30 9 - Litter Clean Up	31	<p>Are you interested in setting up a private program for your family or friends? https://forms.gle/JkypVLag99Dsm8mu7</p> <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>		

May 5, 12 & 19: Little Explorers

10 - 10:45 a.m. at McKeldin Area, Shelter 576

This is a program for kids ages 0-3 to do with their parents/guardians as we introduce them to the natural world. This is part of a 6 part series. Families are invited to come for one or all of the series. We start each day with a fun song and “get loose” activity and wrap up each day with activities you can do at home. For the first day of this series we will review some items to bring (but are often forgotten) when bringing a little one out for outdoor adventures. Then we will do a little hike and practice discovering teachable moments and sharing a sense of wonder with our little wonders. Shine only. [Sign up encouraged](#). Groups larger than 5 must sign up in advance. Spots for 20 total participants.

May 9, 16, 23, 30: Litter Clean Up

9 - 11 a.m. at Soldiers Delight NEA, Meet at VC

Join us for this volunteer event to clean up roadside litter from our beautiful environment. [Sign up encouraged](#)

May 13: Multi-Generational Fun: Canoeing

10 - noon at Daniels Area

Bring your family to canoe on the Patapsco River with us! [Sign up required](#) to ensure we have the materials. Remember to bring things you do not mind getting wet. 20 participants maximum. This program is intended for the participants of the Multi-Generational Fun program formerly known as Grandparents & Me.

May 20: Canoe, Photo & Adaptive Paddle

10 - noon at Daniels Area

Join us to canoe the Patapsco and enjoy the beauty of nature through the medium of photography. We will be on the water so be sure to bring things you don't mind getting wet. Bring a camera or even your phone! [Registration required](#) to ensure we have enough materials. Recommended for ages 10 and up. \$15/person. Shine only. 20 participants maximum. Adaptive canoes will be available onsite.

May 20: Eta Aquarids Meteor Shower

8 p.m. - 10 p.m. at Soldiers Delight Visitor Center

Tonight Venus and Mars are fighting over who gets custody of the twins (Gemini). Join us to see who the Judge (King Cepheus or Queen Cassiopeia) rules for. Time machines (telescopes) will be provided by the Westminster Astronomy Club. May Highlight: The Eta Aquarids Meteor Shower. It is produced by dust particles left behind by comet Halley, which has been observed since ancient times. The shower runs annually from April 19 to May 28.

May 27: Campfire Program: Owl Prowl

8 - 9 p.m. at Hollofield Campground Amphitheater

Kick off the summer season with us and learn about owls! We will begin with an introduction to learn about the owls we may hear or see, then follow a Naturalist to find one. Please remember to bring a flashlight and wear closed-toe shoes only. Clear skies only - program canceled in case of rain. [Sign up encouraged](#), spots available for 20 total participants.

May 29: Invasives Removal

11 - noon at Avalon Area. Meet at William Offutt Johnson History Center

Help us in our fight against invasive species. We'll be using shovels, loppers, and other hand tools to remove various plants that have a harmful impact on our native ecosystem. Volunteers that provide 100 hours of service to the park are eligible for a free MPS park pass for the following year. Recommended for ages 10 & up!