

\*\*\*\*REGISTRATION FOR FALL PROGRAMS BEGINS ON TUESDAY, November 15 at 9 AM.\*\*\*\*

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL PROGRAMS UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.  
ONLINE RESERVATIONS ONLY ARE BEING ACCEPTED.

TO REGISTER VISIT ~ <https://cromwellvalleypark.campbrainregistration.com/>

Registration CLOSSES AT 10 AM ON FRIDAY for weekend programs.

NO "WALK-INS" WILL BE ACCEPTED.

All programs begin PROMPTLY at designated start time. MEET AT THE NATURE CENTER upon arrival for check in.

ALL PROGRAMS WILL BE HELD OUTSIDE, so please dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes.

Please DO NOT BRING YOUR PETS to our programs.

All payments are donations and non-refundable unless CVP cancels the program.

#### RAIN / INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY



**\*All events are rain or shine unless a rain date is specified.\***  
Program leaders will contact registered participants only in the event of cancellation  
at least 1 hour before program start.



*These programs are designed to provide a healthy and enjoyable experience for your child.  
They are not designed to provide childcare. Parents should discuss attendance expectations with their children.  
Department staff cannot detain youth wishing to leave at any time.*

**Children under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.**

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Cromwell Valley Park  
2002 Cromwell Bridge Road  
Parkville, MD 21234

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programs begin promptly at designated start time.

## PROGRAMS & EVENTS CALENDAR

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### DECEMBER 2022



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**Saturday, December 3 at 10 AM to 1 PM**

**Holiday Open House - All ages.** Find all of your holiday excitement on one farm. Come visit the Sherwood House for the holidays. Seasonal crafts, cookie decorating, hot cider, music, and visit with **SANTA!** Reservations **NOT** required. **DONATION REQUESTED** at door - **\$3 per person/ \$10 per family of 4 or more. Sherwood House**

**Sunday, December 4 at 1 PM to 3 PM**

**C is for Conifer - Ages 8+.** Join us for a hike to learn about some of Cromwell's "cone-bearing" trees. Afterwards, we'll return to the nature center to do a little pine cone science and sip some pine needle tea. Dress for the weather! **\$3 member/ \$5 non-members.**

**Friday, December 9 at 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM**

**Full Moon Night Hike - Ages 8+.** Join a Naturalist as we hike the trails to listen for owls. Then roast some marshmallows around the campfire! Wear sturdy shoes and dress for the weather! **\$2 members/\$4 non-members.**

**Saturday, December 10 at 1 PM to 3 PM**

**Soapstone and Pendants - Ages 12+.** Indigenous people used soapstone for pipes and beads. Create soapstone pendants using stone drills. **\$2 members /\$4 non-members. Primitive Technology Lab**

**Sunday December 11 at 1 PM to 2:30 PM**

**How Do Animals Stay Warm? - Ages 4+.** Join a Naturalist to discover the ways reptiles, mammals, birds, and frogs avoid cold. **\$2 members /\$4 non-members.**

**Saturday, December 17 at 1 PM to 3 PM**

**Holiday Centerpieces - Ages 13+.** The fresh greens in your arrangement will bring the scent and beauty of the outdoors to your table. Please bring garden gloves if your hands are sensitive to the sap and prickles of the pines. Dress for the weather! **\$7 members per centerpiece /\$10 non-members per centerpiece.**

**Sunday, December 18 at 1 PM to 3 PM**

**Earth Oven Holiday Tarts - Ages 8+.** Roll up your sleeves and roll out the dough with a Naturalist to bake a personal tart in our earth oven. **\$3 members /\$4 non-members.**

**Saturday, December 24 at 10 AM to 1 PM**

**Visit the Nature Center - All Ages.** Stop by Willow Grove Nature Center to visit with our animals, our exhibits and enjoy a cup of hot chocolate on us! **FREE! Reservations NOT required. Drop in program. Donations Welcome!**

**Sunday, December 25 and Monday, December 26**

**Merry Christmas! The Nature Center and Park Office will be closed,** but the Park will be open for this Baltimore County holiday.

**Saturday, December 31 at 10 AM to 11:30 AM**

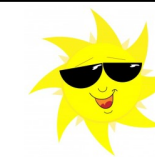
**New Year's Eve Winter Discovery Hike - Ages 8+.** Join a Naturalist to discover the secrets in the winter landscape. **FREE! Registration Required.**



**LOOKING FORWARD TO SUMMER NATURE CAMP 2023!**

On-line registration for all Summer Nature Camps begins at  
**10 AM on January 18, 2023.**

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**Sunday, January 1 and Monday, January 2**

**Happy New Year!** The Nature Center and Park Office will be closed, but the Park will be open for this Baltimore County holiday.

**Friday, January 6 at 6 PM to 8 PM**

**Full Wolf Moon Hike - Ages 8+.** Join us by lantern light to discover how wolves were a part of the landscape and the dread of the colonists. Wear sturdy shoes and dress for the weather! **\$3 members /\$5 non-members.**

**Saturday, January 7 at 1 PM to 3 PM**

**Wintertime Natural Ornaments - Ages 5+.** The holidays are over and the tree is down; but you can still make some wintertime decorations and use nature's art supplies. **\$2 members /\$4 non-members.**

**Sunday, January 8 at 1 PM to 3 PM**

**Scout Day: Fire or Die - Ages 8 to 13.** Scouts need many outdoor skills. One of which is making fire which could save your life. Participants will receive a Cromwell Valley Park logo patch. This program is for both Boy AND Girl Scouts. Please do NOT bring siblings as this program is intended for the Scout and their parent or leader. **\$5 Per Scout.**

**Tuesdays, January 10 to February 14 at 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM**

**Wednesdays, January 11 to February 15 at 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM**

**Polliwogs - Ages 2 to 5 with Adult.** Discovering Nature is a lifelong journey. In this class, you and your little one will explore the natural world through hands-on activities, nature play, stories, and crafts. Dress for the outdoors!

**Non-mobile siblings only, parent/guardian must be an active participant.**

**\$60 members/\$80 non-members for 6 sessions. (Register ONE series only)**

**Saturday, January 14 at 1 PM to 3 PM**

**Burning and Scraping Containers - Ages 18+.** Indigenous peoples used fire to create bowls, platters, and even canoes. Join us to "play" with fire. **\$2 members /\$4 non-members. Primitive Technology Lab**

**Sunday, January 15 at 11 AM to 12 PM**

**Cozy Winter Story Time - All Ages.** Bring your little one for a cozy winter mid-morning story time with cookies and a craft. **\$3 members /\$5 non members.**

**Monday, January 16**

**Happy Birthday Martin Luther King!** The Nature Center & Park Office will be closed, but the Park will be open for this Baltimore County holiday.

**Saturday, January 21 at 11 AM to 12:30 PM**

**Law of Claw and Fang - All Ages.** How do predators eat? Join us to learn what is a predator and help us feed our animal collection. **FREE! Reservations Required.**

**Sunday, January 22 at 1 PM to 3 PM**

**Woodpeckers in Winter - Ages 8+.** We'll take a walk in the woods to learn all about these "Master Carpenters" of the bird world and how they benefit many other woodland species by creating new habitat.

Bring binoculars if you have them. **\$2 members /\$4 non-members.**

**Saturday, January 28 at 1 PM to 3 PM**

**Build a Model Tree House - Ages 7+ with Adult.** Let your imagination soar while building a tree house using natural materials. We'll provide the base and "tree" – you create the rooms, platforms, bridges, ladders, and amenities. **\$3 members /\$5 non-members.**

**Sunday, January 29 at 1 PM to 3 PM**

**Woodchuck, the Weatherman - All Ages.** Can Punxsutawney Phil predict the weather? Learn some fun facts about this amazing animal and go in search of his home. **\$2 members /\$4 non-members.**



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**Saturday, February 4 at 1 PM to 3 PM**

**Cabin Fever? - Ages 6+.** Have cabin fever? We have the cure! Get plenty of Vitamin D and help ward off those winter blues while we hike on our trails. Wear sturdy shoes and dress for the weather! **\$2 members /\$4 non-members.**

**Sunday, February 5 at 1 PM to 3 PM**

**Climate Watch - Ages 14+.** Join a Naturalist and learn about Audubon's biannual community science program. Bird lovers across North America will be surveying and tallying target bird species and we will too! **\$2 members /\$4 non-members.**

**Saturday, February 11 at 1 PM to 3 PM**

**Outdoor Indigenous Cooking - Ages 18+.** Join a Naturalist to try out native cooking practices while using a variety of indigenous cooking implements such as clay pots, pit and an Earth oven. **\$2 members /\$4 non-members. Primitive Technology Lab**

**Sunday, February 12 at 1 PM to 2:30 PM**

**Valentine's Heart Walk - All Ages.** Love is all around! All you have to do is look for it. Let's go for a hike and see how many heart-shaped objects we can find out in nature. Afterwards, we'll return to the Nature Center for a sweet treat! Wear sturdy shoes and dress for the weather! **\$2 members /\$4 non-members.**

**Saturday, February 18 AND Sunday, February 19 at 11 AM to 3 PM each day**

**Maple Sugaring Weekend - All ages.** Native people made sugar from the sap of our native maples. Join our Naturalists for ongoing cooking demonstrations, tree tapping, sap boiling and pancake samples. **FREE! Registration NOT Required. Drop-in program. Donations Welcome!**

**Monday, February 20**

**Happy President's Day!** The Nature Center and Park Office will be closed, but the Park will be open for this Baltimore County holiday.

**Friday, February 24 at 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM**

**Winter Stargazing Night Hike - Ages 8+.** Starlight, star bright I wonder what stars we can see on our hike tonight! Don your hat and mittens and let's go discover the beauty of the night sky. Afterwards, we'll trek to the nature center to warm up with some hot chocolate. Wear sturdy shoes and dress for the weather! **\$2 members /\$4 non-members.**

**Saturday, February 25 at 1 PM to 3 PM**

**Recycled Bird Feeder - All Ages.** Learn about our feathered friends and then make a bird feeder to take home, including bird seed. **\$2 members /\$4 non-members.**

**Sunday, February 26 at 1 PM to 3 PM**

**Tracks on T-Shirts - All Ages.** Learn to identify animals by the clues they leave behind and make your very own animal track t-shirt. You must bring a light covered shirt from home. **\$2 members /\$4 non-members.**

#### REMINDER TO ALL DOG OWNERS!

**COUNTY LAW REQUIRES THAT YOUR DOG MUST BE ON A LEASH AT ALL TIMES!**

This law applies to  
**ALL** dog owners & **ALL** dog walkers  
using **ALL** areas of the Park!

Please be considerate to all Park patrons and use our  
**MUTT MITT Stations.**

Leash your pets and be sure  
to clean up after them!



#### PARK GATES REMINDER

Cromwell Valley Park is open for public visitation 365 days a year from **SUNRISE to SUNSET**. The gates at **Willow Grove AND Sherwood entrances are LOCKED each evening at sunset and are NOT RE-OPENED until sunrise. All Park visitors MUST LEAVE the Park before the gates are locked.**

**These procedures help to ensure that CVP remains a safe and secured park for everyone in Baltimore County to enjoy!**