

Smallwood State Park offers family fun in August

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Smallwood State Park in Marbury has a variety of fun and educational activities lined up for families this August.

On the first and third Saturdays of the month between 1 and 5 pm, visitors can take a guided tour of the Retreat House and tobacco barn to learn about General William Smallwood and life on Mattawoman Creek in the 18th century.

On Sundays, you can start your day with a morning hike and learn all about the park's unique environment and wildlife. Hikes start at 10 am at the Discovery Center.

Also on Sundays at the Discovery Center, join park staff at 3 pm as they feed animals. Learn what it takes to keep them happy and healthy.

Swing by the Discovery Center on Mondays at 3 pm for Nature games and activities including scavenger hunts and bingo.

Thursdays at 10 am at the Discovery Center, elementary school-aged kids can learn about nature while making craft projects to take home.

On August 9 & 23, bring your flashlight for a night walk. Meet at the Discovery Center at 8 p.m. Don't forget to wear your walking shoes.

On August 16 at 7:30 p.m., you can show off your artistic side by painting the sunset over Mattawoman Creek. The Discovery Center will provide paper, paint and the great view.

Join park staff at the Discovery Center on August 17 and 31 at 10 a.m. to create wildflower seed bombs.

On August 24, meet at the Discovery center at 10 a.m. to take part in the Trash Talk and Walk. Learn about the effects pollution has had on Mattawoman Creek and surrounding waterways.

Come to the Retreat House on August 24 and 31 to experience Colonial life. Learn who would have called Smallwood their home, what they ate and what clothing they would have worn.

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 check for ticks.

Please call 301-743-7613 for additional information or to register.