

# October 2021

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
<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.</p> <p>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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### **Morgan Run NEA Trail Work Days**

9-12 p.m. at Morgan Run at Benrose Lane

Attend a Trail Work Day hosted by the [Carroll County Equestrian Council](#) to help keep these trails accessible to all! Bring hand tools.

Recommended for Ages 10 and up!

### **Fall Colors Hike**

(10/4) 3-4 p.m. at McKeldin Ranger Station, (10/20) 2-3 p.m. at McKeldin Ranger Station

Come join us to enjoy the colors of autumn! Meet us at the McKeldin Contact Station to hike the 0.7 mi Spring Glen Trail at the McKeldin Area to view the foliage and enjoy the beauty nature has to offer!

### **Fall into Yoga- Kid Friendly!**

11 a.m.- noon at Hilton Shelter 245

Join Ranger Felicia in a family friendly yoga. This is open to all ages and abilities. Bring a towel or yoga mat if you have one and we will set up in the field by shelter 245.

### **Bigfoot Hike**

4-6:00 p.m. at assorted locations (10/6 at Soldiers Delight, 10/14 at Hollofield, 10/29 at McKeldin)

We will talk about local cryptids, and how these stories can relate to Leave No Trace, and the importance of habitat conservation.

### **En Plein Air - Hike & Paint**

9a.m. - noon (5/13 at McKeldin shelter 513, 10/29 at McKeldin shelter 576)

We will hike a section of trail & paint the scenery around us "En Plein Air" while also providing painting tips and tricks. [Registration](#) required by the Tuesday before. Recommended for Ages 10 and up. \$15/person.

### **Stream Doctor**

2-3 p.m. at Avalon 104

Explore what makes a stream healthy through hands-on activities. Take a short walk to the Patapsco river to see its health indicators in action. Wear clothes and shoes that can get wet.

### **Colors in Nature**

11:30-1:00 p.m. at Hilton Nature Center

Have you ever wondered why some trees change color in autumn while others stay green? Come tie-dye with us and learn what makes fall so vibrant! \$3/per participant

### **Teen Rangers**

8-3:00 p.m. at various location

Are you a teen looking for service hours, or maybe just interested in a career in the outdoors? Join these events to get service learning hours, learn some job skills and see if this is the fit for you. Ages 14-18. [Registration](#) required.

### **Trail Fest!**

Camp \* Run \* Hike \* Bike \* Climb \* Paddle \* Disc Golf

[Sign up now to Volunteer!](#)

**Friends in Focus**

3-5 p.m. at Soldiers Delight Aviary

Whether you are a professional or amateur photographer, capture our Scales and Tales animals on film in a natural setting. A Naturalist will be on hand to bring out 3-5 birds of prey and reptiles for photographers to take photos of and to discuss the animal's natural history. Cost: \$15.00 per Photographer.

[Registration](#) required by 10/12. Open for the whole family.

**Disc Golf Course Maintenance**

9- 1:00 p.m. at McKeldin Disc Golf Course

Join our Disc Golf Course volunteer group to do cleanup of the disc golf pads and to remove obstructions in the course.

Recommended for Ages 10 and up!

**Living Decomposition**

2-3:30 p.m. at McKeldin Shelter 501

Join a naturalist to discover how fungi get energy from decomposing things. Search for and identify mushrooms on a brief hike.

**Meet a Herp, Paint a Herp**

5- 6:15 p.m. at Soldiers Delight Aviary

Join a naturalist at Soldiers Delight for a hands-on, step-by-step paint night. We'll start the night by getting an up close look at the subject of the painting, one of the Scales & Tales reptiles! All materials will be provided. Beginners encouraged! \$10. [Registration](#) required by 10/25. Recommended for Ages 10 and up!

**Mining History Hike**

2-4:30 p.m. at Soldiers Delight NEA

Join Volunteer Ranger and mining historian Johnny Johnsson on a two mile Mining History Hike to the historic Choate chromium mine. The history of mining in Soldiers Delight will be supplemented by demonstration of mining artifacts. Participants will have the opportunity to pan and buddle chrome sands (kind of like panning for gold). This program is a great family program for the ages of 10 and up, parents are welcome. For those who can only walk a short distance, they can drive part of the way, park, and then make a short walk over uneven terrain to the Choate Mine area where most of the program is conducted.

**Meet a Bird, Paint a Bird**

4- 6:00 p.m. at Soldiers Delight Aviary

Join a naturalist at Soldiers Delight for a hands-on, step-by-step paint night. We'll start the night by getting an up close look at the subject of the painting, one of the Scales & Tales raptors! All materials will be provided. Beginners encouraged! \$10. [Registration](#) required by 10/28. Recommended for Ages 10 and up!