

# May 2024

## Patapsco Valley State Park Soldiers Delight NEA

Register [here](#) or by contacting us at 410-461-5005. [patapsco.statepark@maryland.gov](mailto: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?  <a href="https://forms.gle/JkypVLag99Dsm8mu7">https://forms.gle/JkypVLag99Dsm8mu7</a></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>			1	2	3	4  10- The Basics of Fishing
5  10- STEM Like a Girl Hike	6	7	8	9	10  7- Sunset Wildlife Paddle	11
12	13	14  9- G&M: Fishing Trip	15	16	17	18  11- Hilton Nature Center opens for the season!  8- A Journey Across Planetary Realms
19	20	21	22	23	24 9:30- Little Explorers  10- Invasive Species Removal	25
26	27	28	29	30	31  9:30- Little Explorers	

### **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*

**William Offutt Johnson History Center:** Saturdays, Sundays & holidays, 10 - 4 p.m.

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

**Nature Center:** Beginning on May 18: Saturdays, Sundays & holidays, 11 - 3 p.m.

*Nature Center: 1101 Hilton Avenue, Catonsville, MD 21228*

### **May 4: The Basics of Fishing**

10 - Noon at Avalon Area, Lost Lake

Interested in Fishing? Join us at Lost Lake in the Avalon Area to learn the basics of fishing as well as learning about the importance of fish in the Patapsco River. Maximum 15 participants. [Sign up encouraged](#), fishing license required for participants 16 years and older. Shine only.

### **May 5: STEM Like a Girl Hike**

10 - 11 a.m. at Soldiers Delight Visitor Center

Join a member of park staff on this guided 2.5 mile hike along the Serpentine Trail, channeling the powers of your curiosity and observation to appreciate STEM subjects. All are welcomed to this hike catered toward young women interested in STEM! [Sign up encouraged](#). Shine only.

### **May 10: Sunset Wildlife Paddle**

7 - 9:30 p.m. at Daniels Dam

Join us for a dusk canoe trip at Daniels Dam to view the wildlife that comes out in the evening. We will be accompanied by an underwater light equipped paddleboard for viewing denizens of the deep river. Maximum is 16 people, recommended for all ages. PFDs are provided. Combined air and water temperature must be a combined minimum of 120 degrees Fahrenheit. Shine only. [Sign up required](#).

### **May 14: Grandparents & Me: Fishing Trip**

9 - 11 a.m. at Daniels Dam

Come take Grandpa and Grandma out fishing as we explore the basics of fishing. We'll learn about the different types of fish, how to identify them. Please bring water, a snack and a chair. We will provide the fishing pole and tackle box, though you are welcome to bring your own. 24 maximum. Fishing license required for participants 16 years and older. Shine only. [Sign up encouraged](#).

**May 18: Exploring the Wonders of Our Solar System: A Journey Across Planetary Realms**

8 - 11 p.m. at Soldiers Delight Visitor Center

Tonight, we embark on a cosmic voyage, traversing the vast expanse of space to unveil the marvels and mysteries that inhabit our celestial neighborhood. We will embark on a grand tour of our solar system, from the scorching inferno of Mercury to the icy depths of the Kuiper Belt. Along the way, we will encounter gas giants adorned with swirling storms, rocky worlds scarred by eons of cosmic collisions, and icy moons harboring secrets of their own. [Sign up encouraged.](#)

**May 24 & 31: Little Explorers**

9:30 - 10:30 at the Hilton Area Nature Center

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 a 6-series long program on Fridays throughout May & June. Families are invited to come for one or all of the series. We start each day with a fun song, story or “get loose” activity and wrap up each day with activities you can do at home. Shine only. Spots for 20 participants. [Sign up encouraged.](#)

**May 24: Invasive Species Removal with Maryland Conservation Corps**

10 - 11 a.m., at Avalon Area, Shelter 104

Join the Maryland Conservation Corps in our fight against invasive species! We’ll be using shovels, loppers and other hand tools to remove Japanese Knotweed, which has a harmful impact on our native ecosystem. [Sign up required](#) to ensure parking and tool quantities. Recommended for ages 10 & up. Shine only.