

Cape Cod National Seashore

Vacation Week Programs

February 18 through 26, 2012

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For outdoor programs, be safe and stay comfortable by wearing clothing and footwear appropriate for the weather. All programs are weather dependent. Check with the Salt Pond Visitor Center, 508-255-3421, if inclement weather is in the forecast and for alternate programs. Salt Pond Visitor Center is located at Route 6 and Nauset Road, Eastham, and is accessible.

Stop by the Salt Pond Visitor Center in Eastham between 1:00 and 4:00 PM Monday to Friday, February 20 through 24, to see what the rangers have out on the touch table.

Visit the classroom at Salt Pond Visitor Center in Eastham to view an exhibit by photographer (and local garden columnist) Stephanie Foster. This collection of photographs of the Province Lands dunes represents the inspirational experience Ms. Foster had while spending weeks alone in a dune shack in Provincetown. In March, final entries for the Massachusetts Marine Educator's 2012 Marine Art Contest for grades K - 12 will be on display. The theme for 2012 is "Amazing Ocean Creatures of Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary."

Saturday, February 18

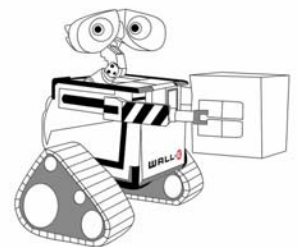
ACTIVITY: PAINTING FOR CHILDREN - 10 AM to 2 PM. Free. Artists from the Eastham Painters' Guild will provide the art supplies and some guidance to children who want to try their hand at painting scenes or other features found in the National Seashore. Takes place in the lobby of the Salt Pond Visitor Center. Family program.



TOUR: CAPTAIN PENNIMAN HOUSE: A WHALING FAMILY'S STORY - 11 AM, 1 hour. Free. Learn about the Penniman family through a tour of their home and stories of their travels. Examine some of the hardships, adventures, and lifestyle of a whaling family. Meet at the Penniman House at Fort Hill, Eastham. By Reservation Only. Call Salt Pond Visitor Center, 508-255-3421, to register.

Sunday, February 19

MOVIE: "WALL-E" - 1:30 PM, 98 minutes. Free. In a futuristic world, human beings have destroyed Earth and evacuated the planet, leaving the cleanup to an army of robots. Due to a mishap, the dutiful WALL-E is the only one left. But with the arrival of a female probe, the monotony of WALL-E's existence is broken -- and he experiences love for the first time. Oscar-winning Pixar tale with a sci-fi twist. Takes place at the Salt Pond Visitor Center auditorium, Eastham. *Sponsored by Friends of the Cape Cod National Seashore.* Family program.



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Tuesday, February 21

WALK: WHERE THE SPARK OF MAGIC HAPPENED, MARCONI TRIUMPHED - 11 AM, ½ hour, ¼ mile. Free. Explore the site where in 1903, Guglielmo Marconi transmitted the first official wireless message across the ocean. Join a ranger-guided walk and learn about the site and the significant events that occurred there. Meet in the parking area of the Marconi Station Site, off Route 6, Wellfleet.



Thursday, February 23

WALK: WINTER BIRD WONDERLAND - 10 AM Up to 2 hours, 1½ miles (weather dependent). Free. In addition to hosting our year-round resident birds, Cape Cod becomes a balmy (relatively speaking) southern destination for birds looking for warmer weather and open water. Meet in the parking area at the Salt Pond Visitor Center, Eastham. Bring binoculars if you have them; we will also have a few to loan.



Eider (2 ft. long)

Saturday, February 25



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MOVIE: "BAG IT" - 2 PM, 2 hours. Free. The Cape Cod Wildlife Collaboration (CCWC) presents this award-winning documentary (79 minutes) that investigates the pervasiveness and effect plastics have on our waterways, oceans, and even our bodies. The movie will be followed up by a panel discussion led by the CCWC, a partnership of nonprofit organizations committed to protecting wildlife through rescue, rehabilitation, science, advocacy, habitat conservation, and education. Takes place at the Salt Pond Visitor Center auditorium, Eastham. Suitable for families with older children.

Sunday, February 26

MOVIE: "THE SEA BEHIND THE DUNES" & "ADRIFT ON THE GULF STREAM" - 1:30 PM, 113 minutes, with intermission. Free. Film makers John Boden and Neil Goodwin bring us two of their award-winning NOVA films that amplify the world around us and help to illustrate and illuminate the extreme experiences in our coastal environment. Takes place at the Salt Pond Visitor Center auditorium, Eastham. *Sponsored by Friends of the Cape Cod National Seashore.*

Cell Phone and GPS Programs

The *Dial and Discover Seashore Stories* program is a cell phone tour with short interpretive messages from park rangers, the seashore historian, and the park superintendent. Look for the *Dial and Discover* signs at several seashore locations, or pick up a list of tour stops at the Salt Pond Visitor Center. There is no cost for the tour except your cell phone plan usage.

The Quest at Fort Hill is a GPS and compass information scavenger hunt that explores the trails and features of the Fort Hill area in Eastham. A free quest booklet, including coordinates, is available at the Salt Pond Visitor Center or online at: <http://www.nps.gov/caco/planyourvisit/outdooractivities.htm>.



Be a Junior Ranger!

If you're between the ages of 5 and 12, you can start the Junior Ranger journey. Pick up the free Junior Ranger booklet at the visitor center, talk to one of the rangers at the desk, and you're ready to explore Cape Cod National Seashore!

Being a Junior Ranger means you understand that national parks are special places, and how it is up to all of us to help protect them in the future. We hope you will have fun learning about this park and the others. For even more fun, when you get home check out the online WebRanger program at www.nps.gov/webrangers. Exciting adventures are just a click away!

