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Cedar Breaks National Monument News Release

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Third Annual Wildflower Festival Blooms at Cedar Breaks

Cedar Breaks National Monument, Utah. In early July, high-country wildflowers burst into full bloom. In celebration of this display, Cedar Breaks National Monument will host its third annual Wildflower Festival from July 3rd to July 20th. “During this spectacular display, visitors to the Monument will be able to see paintbrush and primrose, lupine and larkspur, and a spectrum of other flowers in meadows, woods, and marshes” said park superintendent Paul Roelandt “We have put together a series of special events and will have park rangers, volunteers, and other resources available for visitors to learn about and photograph the incredibly beautiful variety of wildflowers to be discovered at Cedar Breaks”.

Wildflower specialists and volunteers will be available beginning at 10am daily during the festival to provide information. Festival highlights include guided walks, photography workshops, Junior Ranger scavenger hunts, and Zion Canyon Field Institute Classes. Guided hikes, which will meet at the Visitor Center, will be offered twice a day during all 18 days of the festival. The hikes will take place at 10am and 1pm. Kids activities include a Junior Ranger ‘Wildflower Scavenger Hunt’, beginning at the Visitor Center which will be held at 3pm every Friday and Saturday during the Festival. On the 19th of July the park will offer a free photography workshop at 10:00 AM. This workshop entitled: “Wildflower Photography for Beginners” is open to amateur photographers of all ages and ability levels. Throughout the Festival, the visitor center will be hosting an ongoing electronic display of wildflower images, provide free wildflower photography tip sheets, as well as offering discounts on wildflower related books and sales items.

Lastly, the park will host several Zion Canyon Field Institute (ZCFI) classes to round out the schedule. The classes include: “Wildflower Photography: Cedar Breaks” on Tuesday, the 8th, “Wildflower Journaling at Cedar Breaks” on the 10th, and “Lifezones II: Zion to Cedar Breaks” on the 12th. Please contact ZCFI at 435-772-3264 for more information and to pre- register.

Cedar Breaks National Monument is located 23 miles east of Cedar City, along Highway 148 between Highway 14 and Brian Head. The park entrance fee is \$4.00 per person ages 16 and older. Those traveling to the Festival should come prepared for cool weather at 10,000 feet: Daytime temperatures could be in the 60s and summer thunderstorms frequently rise over the mountain

Updated Festival events and activities, reference lists and more are available for downloading at the Cedar Breaks National Monument website: www.nps.gov/cebr. Schedules and events are also available at the Visitor Center and at the Monument’s administrative office in Cedar City which is located at 2390 W. HWY 56 Suite #11. Call 435-586-0787 or 435-586-9451 for more information.

Cedar Breaks National Monument will be celebrating 75 years since the dedication during 2008. Watch for and join us in special events that will take place to help celebrate this benchmark year.

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