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Saturday, March 15th: Officers vs. Washington: Military Coup? - 231 years ago, General Washington faced a group of rebellious officers on the verge of revolt against the government in Philadelphia. Join a Park Ranger on a Ford Mansion tour to find out about the outcome of this confrontation and its importance to the future of government. 1:00pm, 2:00pm and 3:00pm at the Ford Mansion.

Sunday, March 16th: Soldiers Celebrate St. Patrick's Day - Learn about the life of a common soldier during the winter encampment and how they would have celebrated St. Patrick's Day in 1780 as you visit the replica soldier huts of the Pennsylvania Line. Call 973-543-4030 for further details. 1:30pm, 2:30pm and 3:30pm at the Soldiers Huts.

Saturday, March 22nd: Neighborhood of Jockey Hollow - Jockey Hollow is a neighborhood where animals have different roles in the community. Join a Park Ranger for a 2.25 mile round trip hike on the Yellow Trail and discover some of the wildlife that calls Jockey Hollow home. 10:00am at the Jockey Hollow Visitor Center.

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Sunday, March 23: Myth-Informed: Debunking Myths of 18th Century Life Over time guides at historic sites have told all sorts interesting stories that turn out to be false. Unfortunately those are the stories visitors love. Stories such as: People were shorter in the 18th century, H & L shaped hinges help ward off witches and Washington having wooden teeth. Join the park historian for a guided tour of the Ford Mansion and discover the truth behind many popular old myths. 1:00pm, 2:00pm and 3:00pm at the Ford Mansion

Saturday, March 29th: Women of the Mansion - Enter the Ford Mansion through the eyes of Mrs. Ford, her daughter Elizabeth, Martha Washington and the female servants. Discover the roles these women played in making General Washington's headquarters more like a home. 1:00pm, 2:00pm, 3:00pm at the Ford Mansion.

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Sunday, March 30th: Tempe Wick: Truth and Legend - Did Tempe Wick really hide a horse in the Wick House? Hear the legend and find out the truth as you explore the Wick House and look for potential hiding spots. *1:30pm, 2:30pm, 3:30pm at the Wick House.*

APRIL

Saturday, April 5th and Sunday, April 6th: Encampment Weekend - The Continental Army encampment comes to life! Join us the weekend of April 5th and 6th as soldiers, their wives and children return to Jockey Hollow for Encampment Weekend. It's an event full of activities for the whole family. Call 973-543-4030 or see www.nps.gov/morr for schedule of events and details.

Saturday, April 12th: Volunteerism, What YOU gain - Visit the Jockey Hollow Visitor Center to learn how you play an important part in preserving your National Parks. *11:00am and 2:00pm at the Jockey Hollow Visitor Center.*

Sunday, April 13th: Wick House Guest Did you know a friend of George Washington spent the winter at the Wick House? Meet a Park Ranger at the Wick House to discover who it was as well as the impacts he made during the revolution and beyond during a tour of the Wick House. *2:00pm, 3:00pm and 4:00pm at the Wick House.*

Sunday, April 20th: Impact of War The American Revolution impacted the lives of both soldiers and civilians. Learn how the war impacted the lives of the various people staying in the Ford Mansion during the winter of 1779-1780 on a guided tour of the house. *1:00pm, 2:00pm and 3:00pm at the Ford Mansion.*

Saturday, April 26th: Civilian Conservation Corps Hike - During the Great Depression of the 1930's a group of young men changed Jockey Hollow forever. Join a Ranger on a 2.25 mile round trip hike on the Yellow Trail to discover how these men transformed Jockey Hollow into what we love today while only earning \$30 a month! *10:00am at the Jockey Hollow Visitor Center.*

Saturday, April 26th: Must Weft to Weave - One must weft a loom to pass a shuttle through the shed. Confused? Join a Park Ranger at the Wick House for this hands-on demonstration and learn the basics of weaving. *1:30pm to 4:00pm at the Wick House.*

Saturday, April 26th: Meet a Soldier What was the life of a Continental Soldier like? What equipment did they carry? Meet a Soldier in the Continental Army at the Soldiers Huts and find out about his equipment and lifestyle. *1:30pm to 4:00pm at the Soldiers Huts.*

Sunday, April 27th: Soldier's Knapsack Have you always wondered what types of things soldiers carried throughout the war? Join a Park Ranger at the Wick House to discover what would have been inside a soldier's knapsack. *2:00pm to 4:00pm at the Wick House.*

Sunday, April 27th: Colonial Games Have some old-fashioned fun as you take on the same games that the soldiers and the Wick Family played. Try your hand at nine-pins, quoits, trap-ball, nine-man morris, fox & geese and other 18th century games. *1:30 to 4:00pm at the Wick House.*

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Saturday, May 3rd: Mrs. Hamilton Returns! - Join Elizabeth Schuyler Hamilton, wife of Alexander Hamilton, on a tour of the Ford Mansion! Find out who concocted a plan to bring them together in Morristown and how they conducted their courtship. Explore Hamilton's incredible and lasting contributions to the American Revolution and to the fledgling republic!. *1:00pm, 2:00pm and 3:00pm at the Ford Mansion.*

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Sunday, May 4th: Soldiers of the Wick House - Various officers of the Continental Army stayed at the Wick House during the American Revolution. Learn how Major Joseph Bloomfield used the house as a hospital and General St.Clair made it into the headquarters of the Pennsylvania Division. Also hear how William McPherson, aide to General St. Clair, served in both the British and Continental armies during the Revolutionary War. *1:30pm, 2:30pm and 3:30pm at the Wick House.*

Saturday, May 10th: Nature Discovery Hike - Want to explore the natural wonders of Jockey Hollow? Join a Park Ranger on a 1.2 mile round-trip hike on the Red Trail and discover together some of the natural wonders of Jockey Hollow. *10:00am at the Trail Center Parking Area.*

Saturday, May 10th: Women of the House - Join a Park Ranger at the Wick House and discover the role women played in helping a family survive in the 18th Century. *1:30pm to 3:30pm at the Wick House.*

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Sunday, May 18th: Mural Talk - Take a tour of the entire Jockey Hollow encampment without leaving the comfort of the Visitor Center. Relax on comfy cushions as a Park Ranger, using the encampment mural, describes the various people, farms and huts that made up the "Log-Hut City" of the winter encampment of 1779-1780. *1:00pm, 2:00pm and 3:00pm at the Jockey Hollow Visitor Center.*

Sunday, May 18th: Continental Marines - Marines have been around even longer than the Declaration of Independence itself. Join a Park Ranger at the Wick House to discover the role these soldiers played in Morristown and throughout the war. *2:00pm, 3:00pm and 4:00pm at the Wick House.*

Saturday, May 24th: New Jersey Brigade Hike - Hike one of the lesser known areas of the park and learn about two different eras. Hear about the suffering of the New Jersey soldiers. Then discover the lavish lifestyles of the Mountain Colony during the early 20th century. This is a strenuous 2 mile round trip hike. Call 973-543-4030 for details. *1:00pm at the New Jersey Brigade Parking Area.*

Saturday, May 24th: Marking History Join a Park Ranger at the Wick House to discover how what we do to our watersheds today may lead us backwards to the poor water quality of the 18th Century. *1:30pm to 4:00pm at the Wick House.*

Sunday, May 25th: Kid's Tour of the Ford Mansion - Here's a historic house tour geared for kids in grades four and up (including adults). It will feature activities such as role playing, a scavenger hunt and learning about "gross stuff," like 18th century bathrooms. The tour begins in the Washington Headquarters Museum. *10:30am, 1:30pm and 3:30pm at the Ford Mansion.*

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Saturday, May 31st: Morristown's Other Army - During the Great Depression of the 1930's another army camped in Morristown. Join a Ranger at the Jockey Hollow Visitor Center for a 45 minute PowerPoint slideshow to discover the work of the Civilian Conservation Corps and how these 'Soil Soldiers' transformed Morristown N.H.P and other public lands. *10:00am, Noon and 2:00pm at the Jockey Hollow Visitor Center.*

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