

Cape Cod National Seashore

February 2014 Programs

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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.

Coast Guard Station, Coast Guard Beach, Eastham

Saturday, February 15

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 16

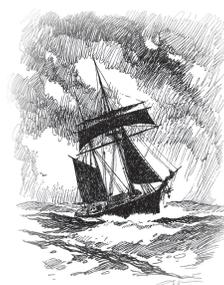
MOVIE: AVATAR - 1:30 PM, 162 minutes. Free. This highest grossing film of all time features an interstellar conflict over preservation and the mining of precious metal on the planet, Pandora. Nominated for nine Academy Awards, the film won Best Art Direction, Best Cinematography, and Best Visual Effects. Salt Pond Visitor Center auditorium (theatre-size screen), Eastham. *Sponsored by Friends of the Cape Cod National Seashore.* Family program. ♿

WALK: LIGHTHOUSE TOUR of the THE THREE SISTERS - 2 PM, 1 hour, ½ mile. Free. These 19th-century lighthouses once provided a beacon for sailors off the shore of Nauset Light Beach. Come and learn of their history and importance. Meet at Nauset Light Beach parking area, Eastham. ♿



Tuesday, February 18

WALK: STORMY NIGHTS - 1:30 PM, 45 minutes. Free. Cape Cod is known as the "Graveyard of the Atlantic," with over 3,000 recorded wrecks. Join a ranger for a short walk and find out why so many wrecks occurred and hear their compelling stories. Meet at the Coast Guard Beach parking lot, Eastham.



Thursday, February 20

WALK: WINTER BIRD WONDERLAND - 10 AM, up to 2 hours, 1½ miles. 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)

Stop by the Salt Pond Visitor Center in Eastham between 10 AM to 12 PM, and 1 PM to 3 PM: Saturdays, February 15 and 22; Monday, February 17; Friday, February 21; Tuesday, February 25; and Thursday, February 27, to see what the rangers have arranged on the activity table for the day. ♿

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Saturday, February 22

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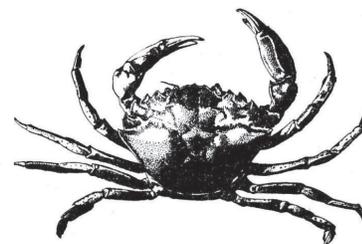
MOVIE: WILD AMERICA - 1:30 PM, 102 minutes. Free. Based on a true story of three brothers who grew up to become renowned animal photographers, this film chronicles their summer adventure roaming America with a camera. Salt Pond Visitor Center auditorium (theatre-size screen), Eastham. Family program. *Sponsored by Friends of the Cape Cod National Seashore.* ♿

Coming Attractions:

NATIONAL JUNIOR RANGER DAY EVENTS IN APRIL:

Tuesday, April 22 - 9:30 AM to 2 PM. Free. *Junior Ranger Beach Bioblitz!*

Spend all or part of a day at Cape Cod National Seashore looking for wildlife! Participate in a parkwide inventory of beach animals (dead or alive!). Begin with an indoor slide show for *Bioblitz* data and photograph recording instructions, basic identification skills, and maps to assigned beaches. Bring your sharp eyes and digital camera. Binoculars would be helpful but are not required. Parents will need to provide transportation for their children to one or more different beaches. Meet at 9:30 AM at the Salt Pond Visitor Center, Eastham.



Wednesday, April 23 - 10:30 AM, 1 hour. Free. *Want to Know More about Wildland Firefighting?*

Families are invited to tour Cape Cod National Seashore's wildland fire facility to view the park's fire trucks and some of the equipment wildland firefighters use in putting out forest fires. Meet in front of Cape Cod National Seashore's Headquarters Building, Marconi Station Area, Wellfleet.

INTERNATIONAL MARCONI DAY CELEBRATION - Saturday, April 26, 10 AM - 3 PM. Free. In 1903, Guglielmo Marconi made history when he sent and received the first two-way wireless transatlantic message from the United States to Europe from his Wellfleet station. Families are invited to join licensed radio operators from the Marconi Cape Cod Radio Club as they make two way contacts with other operators around the world to honor the birthday of Marconi, on the Saturday closest to his birth date, April 25, 1874. Kids can practice Morse code on a "key," use signal flags, and learn about other signaling techniques used prior to the invention of wireless. Takes place at the Coast Guard Station, Coast Guard Beach, Eastham.



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 we all can protect them. We hope you will have fun learning about this park and the others. For even more fun, when you get home check out the on-line WebRanger program at www.nps.gov/webrangers. Exciting adventures are just a click away!



**Salt Pond Visitor Center, Route 6 at Nauset Road,
Eastham (508) 255 - 3421 Ext. 0,
Open daily from 9 AM to 4:30 PM.**

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