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Fire Island National Seashore's Fall Programs at Wilderness Visitor Center: Star Watch on November 14 & 28; Weekend Mid- Morning Strolls through December

Patchogue, NY— Fire Island National Seashore will be hosting two late fall *Star Watch* programs at its Wilderness Visitor Center located at the southern terminus of the William Floyd Parkway, adjacent to Smith Point County Park. Due to the overwhelming success of this program from the summer season, it is being offered in the late fall.

Meet at the visitor center on Wednesday, November 14 and or November 28 at 7:30 p.m. A slide presentation will begin the program followed by viewing the stars through several high powered telescopes. Dress for the weather. If you would like to bring your own telescope, please do so.

Every Saturday and Sunday until December 29, 2007, rangers will be presenting a *Mid Morning Stroll* through the only wilderness area on Long Island. This 1 ½ hour hike will allow you to learn and see the natural wonders of Fire Island National Seashore in the late fall. Meet at the visitor center at 10 a.m. and dress for the weather.

While you're at the Wilderness Visitor Center, you may take a look the temporary exhibit, *The History of Fire Island*, created by the Point O'Woods Historical Society. This exhibit will be rotating through Fire Island National Seashore visitor facilities for the next year. It has been on display at the Fire Island Lighthouse. The Fire Island Lighthouse Preservation Society will move the panels to the Wilderness Visitor Center for November and December, then back to the lighthouse in January. The panels will be on display at Watch Hill and Sailors Haven during the summer of 2008.

The Wilderness Visitor Center is open Wednesday through Sunday, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., until January 1, 2008. For more information on these and other programs call the interpretation office at 631-687-4765 or 631-281-3010, or visit www.nps.gov/fiis.

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