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Special Spring Programs at Fire Island National Seashore's Wilderness Visitor Center

Patchogue, NY— Fire Island National Seashore is presenting several special hikes and programs this spring at its **Wilderness Visitor Center**.

March 11, 2008	Star Watch -7:30 pm
March 15, 2008	Wilderness Discovery Hike - 10 am (3-hour program)
April 15, 2008	Star Watch - 7:30 pm
April 20, 2008	Earth Day Hike -10 am (3-hour program)
April 22, 2008	Earth Day Hike -10 am (3-hour program)
April 26, 2008	National Junior Ranger Day: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Orienteering - 9 am - 3 pm (self-guided activity)• Ocean Discovery Program - 1 pm (1-hour program)
May 18, 2008	Horseshoe Crab: Living Fossils - 7 pm (2-hour program)
June 1, 2008	Horseshoe Crab: Living Fossils – 7 pm (2-hour program)

A short ranger- guided **Mid- Morning Stroll** is also conducted every **Saturday at 10 a.m.** Meet the ranger at the Wilderness Visitor Center, located at the southern end of the William Floyd Parkway. Parking is available at Smith Point County Park, with an easy 5- minute walk to the National Park Service facility. The Wilderness Visitor Center serves as one of the gateways to the Otis Pike Fire Island High Dune Wilderness, the only federally designated wilderness in New York.

Admission for each program is free. Bring your binoculars, dress for the weather and get ready to discover the wonders of the wilderness area of Fire Island National Seashore. For more information about this and other programs, contact Fire Island National Seashore Interpretation Office at 631- 687- 4765.

To learn more about Fire Island National Seashore, visit the park's web site at www.nps.gov/fiis.

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