



Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument

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National Park Week (April 17 – 25th, 2010) is Free at Florissant Fossil Beds! Come Celebrate with Ranger Guided Activities

National Park Week will begin Saturday April 17, 2010 and continue through Sunday April 25, 2010. Entrance fees will be waived for the entire period at Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument as well as all other national parks and monuments in the country! This year's theme is fitness and what a great way to get some exercise and fresh air by taking a walk in your closest national park area. In addition, that week marks the 40th anniversary of Earth Day on April 22, 2010.

Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument will be providing the following free programs to celebrate National Park Week and Earth Day:

- Saturday, April 17, 2010: Join naturalist Allan Studer for a nature hike and bear and mountain lion talk. 10:30 am – 12:30pm.
- Thursday, April 22, 2010: Come celebrate the 40th Anniversary of Earth Day on a ranger-led hike (2 hrs long) with Ranger Shawn Frizzell. 1pm
- Saturday, April 24th, 2010: Celebrate National Junior Ranger Day (kids 4 – 12) by joining Ranger Shawn Frizzell on a special, kids focused hike and complete the requirements to earn a Junior Ranger Badge. 1pm

Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument is the closest national park area to the Pikes Peak Region. There are 14 miles of peaceful trails and a wealth of natural and historical wonders to be experienced and enjoyed by the whole family.

Please call for more information. 719-748-3253. Park hours are every day 9-5. Check out our webcam at www.nps.gov/flfo.