



Programs and Events

Fall 2012

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10:00 a.m.	Meet the Cow			Meet the Cow	Meet the Cow	Meet the Cow	Meet the Cow
11:00 a.m.	Chicken and Egg	Wagon Ride	Chicken and Egg				
11:30 a.m.		Meet the Cow	Meet the Cow	Meet the Cow	Meet the Cow	Meet the Cow	
1:00 p.m.	The Park's Past						The Park's Past
1:30 p.m.	Wagon Ride		Wagon Ride				
3:30 p.m.	Meet the Cow						Meet the Cow

Daily Programs

Events listed in the grid above are our daily programs. Reservations are required for groups of five or more and must be made at least two weeks in advance. No reservations are needed on weekends.

Meet the Cow

75 people or fewer

Help the park ranger milk the cow and learn about cows and dairy products.

Chicken and Egg

25 people or fewer

Learn about chickens and their life on the farm. Help with the chores and feed the chickens.

Wagon Ride

75 people or fewer

Take a scenic ride through the park and learn about the environment and the park's history.

The Park's Past: An Invitation to Learn the Story of Oxon Cove Park

Stop by Mount Welby from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and explore the park's past and find out some of the fascinating stories that have occurred on the park property over time.

Education Programs

Our education programs and are offered to organized groups, such as schools and home school organizations. These programs are offered October through June. Reservations are required and must be made at least two weeks in advance.

Moovelous Milk

*Monday, 10:00 a.m.
Kindergarten to 3rd
25 students or fewer*

Meet the dairy cow and learn about the milk she produces. Students will also make milk into butter. Teacher package available.

Animal Life on the Farm

*Tuesday, 10:00 a.m.
Grades Pre-K to 1st
25 students or fewer*

Students will learn about farm animals, food products, and farm life. Students will meet the dairy cow, feed the chickens and take a wagon ride through the barnyard area. The program includes loan of an education kit to be used in classroom prior to field trip.

Exploring the Past at Oxon Cove Park

*Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.
Kindergarten to 6th
25 students or fewer*

Students will discover what life was like on the Mount Welby plantation during the early 1800s. Teachers can choose from fourteen activities based on the themes of immigration, slavery and the Underground Railroad, and the War of 1812. Pre-site and post-site activities are required to be completed by students.



**Reading Stories with Ranger Steph:
Farm ABC's**

Monday, September 17, 2012
9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
301-839-1176
Ages 0 to 5, and accompanying adults

ABC... Easy as 1 2 3! Simple as do re mi! ABC! 1 2 3! Baby you and me! Every third Monday of the month, come listen to stories, sing songs, and enjoy other activities. This month, join Ranger Steph as she takes a look at the alphabet through a farm lens. Meet in the Visitor Barn.

National Public Lands Day Clean-Up

Saturday, September 29, 2012
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
301-839-1176
Ages 18 and up (Children are welcome if accompanied by an adult)

Do your part to help clean up the Potomac River Watershed by picking up trash down at Oxon Cove. Earn service hours needed for your organization! Wear old clothes and shoes that you don't mind getting wet and muddy. Bring work gloves and rakes, if you have them. Meet in the parking lot. For more information, go to <http://www.publiclandsday.org/>

**War of 1812 Wayside Walking Tour
Oxon Cove Park**

Saturday, October 13, 2012
12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
301-839-1176
Ages 10 and up

The War of 1812 has begun and it is impacting families all along the Potomac River. Find out how the Debutts family and others coped during this time. Join a park ranger for a short walking tour to view our War of 1812 indoor and outdoor exhibits. A discussion will take place at each stop.

**Reading Stories with Ranger Steph:
You're the Apple of my Eye**

Monday, October 15, 2012
9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
301-839-1176
Ages 0 to 5, and accompanying adults

Every third Monday of the month, come listen to stories, sing songs, and enjoy other activities. This month, we'll concentrate on everyone's favorite sweet October treat... No, not candy corn-the All-American Apple! Find out if it's true that an apple a day keeps the doctor away. Meet Ranger Steph in the Visitor Barn.

Historic Structures Tour

Saturday, October 20, 2012
2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
301-839-1176
All ages

Join a park ranger for a walking tour of Oxon Cove Park's historic structures, from the 19th century Mount Welby farmhouse to the 20th century silo.

Pumpkins, the Special Squash

Sunday, October 28, 2012
9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
301-839-1176
Ages 3 to 12, but all are welcome

Ever wonder why pumpkins are a prominent symbol of fall and the holiday season? Through songs, stories, and poems, we will discover the cultural importance of pumpkins and their place in the American landscape. This program is for kids, ages 3 - 12 but all are welcome. Reservations required.

Note:

- Programs may be cancelled without prior notice.
- Groups of five or more require a reservation and reservations must be made at least two weeks in advance.
- The park is closed on Thanksgiving Day, December 25, and January 1.
- Please call 301-839-1176 for more information or visit us at www.nps.gov.oxhi.

Oxon Hill

History Talk

Saturday, November 10, 2012
2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
301-839-1176
All ages

It's spelled O-x-o-n, not O-x-e-n! Join a park ranger for a presentation on the rich history of the city of Oxon Hill, and find out why its name is spelled the way it is.

**Reading Stories with Ranger Steph:
What's for Dinner?**

Monday, November 19, 2012
9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
301-839-1176
Ages 0 to 5, and accompanying adults

Food, food, and more food. November is a time to celebrate a bountiful harvest. But what are the favorite foods of farm animals? Every third Monday of the month, come listen to stories, sing songs, and enjoy other activities. This month, learn what the animals of the farm like to feast on. Meet Ranger Steph in the Visitor Barn.

Multicultural Winter Festival

Saturday, December 1, 2012
12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
301-839-1176
All ages

All cultures around the world have traditions surrounding the arrival of winter. Help us celebrate the "season of lights" from the perspective of the African Americans, the American Indians, and the Europeans; each group having contributed to the deep and diverse history of Oxon Cove Park.

There will be crafts, music, storytelling, horse-drawn wagon rides, and much more. Light refreshments will be served.

