DEER CREEK STATE PARK
NATURE PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES: SUMMER, 2013

NOTE: UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED, PROGRAMS BEGIN AT THE CAMPGROUND NATURE CENTER

All are Welcome!

NATURE NEST HOURS: ****MON – FRI: 7 – 8PM ****SAT & SUN: 10 – 11AM

WEDNESDAYS

10:30AM ***KIDS FISHING DERBY!*** *"Bring your young'uns, and Let's have us a fishin' derby!"* We have a few poles and some bait, or bring your own. Win a prize!!
(Meet at the Corps of Engineers fishing access below the dam – south side of the road… Near Handicap fishing ramp.)

1 – 2 PM **NATURE NEST OPEN HOUSE: (**Tickle a turtle, Help feed the toads, Borrow a net and look for critters in the creek, or make a craft!)

3:30 PM **DEER CREEK EXPLORER'S CLUB: *GOIN' CREEKIN'.*** You bring some old shoes, we'll bring the nets! Who knows what creatures we'll find? (Water is no more than 2 feet deep.)

THURSDAYS

2-4PM: **Junior Naturalist:** Meet at the Nature Center to learn all about being a naturalist. Study reptiles or birds, help feed the critters, or grab a net and head down to the creek to see what you can find. (Find something good, and we can keep it in the Nature Center on display for a couple weeks!) (**Nature Nest** will be open during this time.)

7:00 PM: ***Golf Cart Safari.*** Meet at the golf course pro shop. Rent a golf cart ($5.00 per person, 2 people per cart), and Naturalist Andy will lead the group in search of wildlife on the course. Must be a licensed driver to operate a golf cart. *Limit 2 people per golf cart. Limit of 12 golf carts on the Safari. Sign-up sheet located at Deer Creek* **Campground Welcome Center**. (Sign-ups start on Wednesday.)

9:20 PM **NIGHT HIKE/OWL PROWL.** We'll explore a side of Deer Creek rarely seen…in the dark! Who knows what kind of nocturnal critters we'll find? **(8:50 PM after August 1st).**

FRIDAYS

2 – 3 *PM* **NATURE NEST OPEN HOUSE:** (see above)

5:30 PM- ? **KICK BALL/VOLLEYBALL/SOCCER Tournaments: Head to the soccer field behind washhouse #4 in the campground for some fun! Bring a team, or join one there!**

9:20 PM **Camp Movie** (Movie title posted at Camp Welcome Center on Friday.)
(*9:00PM* after AUG. 1st.) (Soccer Field)

SATURDAYS

10:00 AM **DAM TOUR.** Did you ever wonder what the inside of a dam looks like? **Sign up on Friday (or Sat. morning) at the Camp Welcome Center for a tour of Deer Creek's dam.** Then meet at the U.S. Corps of Engineers Visitors Center at 9:45AM on the south side of the park. FREE!

10 – 11AM **NATURE NEST OPEN HOUSE (See above.)**

2:00 PM ***CRITTERS AND CREAM:*** Head to the back lobby near the outdoor pool at **Deer Creek Lodge** for this program. Make your own Ice Cream Sundae for only $2.00. Who knows what crazy critter Naturalist Andy will show up with this week!
(Limited number of campers are welcome to swim for a fee and proof of camping – call lodge for details – 740-869-2020)

4 - 5 PM **THE AMAZING RACE*: DEER CREEK*…** You've seen the popular TV show, and now it's here at Deer Creek. Which family/group will finish first? You could get a prize! (Hint: Bring your digital camera or cell phone camera if you have one… It could help your team.)

6:30 PM **Naturalist's Choice:** Naturalist Andy will choose 1 activity each week. Possibilities include: A Recycling Parade with Recycling Man, Game Time at the Soccer Field, Scavenger Hunt, Wilderness Survival, and more!! (Program will be posted Saturday afternoon at the Camp Welcome Center.)

8:45 PM **GUEST TALENT SHOW** FOLLOWED BY **MOVIE & FREE POPCORN***.
(8:15PM after August 1st.) Talent Show sign-ups start Friday afternoon at Camp Welcome Center.
*** ***Talent Show is at Amphitheatre***… Then we will hike to ***Soccer Field for the Movie and Popcorn***
***Our special thanks to Deer Creek's volunteer camper hosts for poppin' up the corn!

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Youth under 12 years of age must be accompanied by an adult at all programs.

Be Green: Take all of your recyclables to our recycling center located at the Main Park Office!

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