

Moraine State Park
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NEWS RELEASE

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Moraine State Park Community Programs

Saturday, September 6 and Sunday, September 7, 2008	10:00 AM
Saturday, October 4 and Sunday, October 5, 2008	10:00 AM

“Historic Oil Well Operation”

Come and see the abandoned turn of the century oil well and pumping engine that have been restored to working order. The well will operate from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm. Park staff and volunteers will be there to operate the engine and answer your questions. So come out and see the Bessemer engine pump some Pennsylvania crude. The central powerhouse site is located beyond the region 2 office building on Park Rd. (Old 422) off of route 528.

Saturday, September 13, 2008	2:30 PM
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“Guide to Geocaching”

Geocaching is becoming more and more popular. People are beginning to discover this new and interesting pastime. Meet the park naturalist at the Pleasant Valley picnic area, on the South Shore of Moraine, to learn about and take part in some geocaching. Moraine State Park has several GPS units that will be available to participants to use during the program.

Saturday, September 20, 2008

10:30 AM

“Who Let the Dogs Out?”

Bring your canine friends out to Moraine State Park for some exercise and a swim to cool down afterwards. Join the park naturalist at the Pleasant Valley picnic area on the South Shore of Moraine for a moderate 2 mile hike followed by a doggie swim in beautiful Lake Arthur. We will also review some tips for helping out your pet if they encounter some animal troubles while out for a hike. **Only friendly dogs please! Pets must be on a leash at all times.**

Saturday, September 20, 2008

2:00 PM

“Explore Off Shore”

This kayaking experience is meant for those that want to get a workout from their paddling. Meet the park naturalist at the Pleasant Valley launch on the South Shore of Moraine to take part in this activity. Participants may bring their own kayak, or borrow one of Moraine’s kayaks. To reserve a kayak or register, call the park office at 724 – 368 – 8811. Participants that use park kayaks must be at least 12 years of age. An adult must accompany those participants that are under the age of 18.

Saturday, October 4, 2008

1:30 PM

“Learn to Play Disc Golf”

Disc golf officially began in 1975. Since that time the sport has gone through monumental growth. Moraine State Park is home to one of the premier disc golf courses in the nation. This sport of ever increasing popularity attracts participants of many ages and skill levels. Anyone wishing to test their skill can meet park staff at the course located on the North Shore of Moraine at the Lakeview Beach area. Experience is not necessary and neither are discs. There will be a selection of discs for participants to use during the program. This event is open to interested individuals 8 years of age and older.

Saturday, October 11, 2008

1:00 PM

“Family Fishing Program”

This fun and educational program will be held at the McDanel’s Launch on the North Shore of Moraine State Park. This program is made possible by the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (PFBC), Moraine State Park staff, and volunteers. Families must be pre-registered and should arrive promptly at 1:00 PM. Pre-register by calling the park office at 724-368-8811. The program will include some basics on being a S.M.A.R.T. angler, as well as, how to rig a fishing rod, types of bait, knot tying, rules and regulations, casting practice, some hands-on fishing, and more. Participants are NOT required to have their fishing license while participating in the program.

Saturday, October 18, 2008

9:00 AM

“Beauty of Fall Hike”

Fall is a beautiful time to enjoy Moraine State Park. Come out and meet the park naturalist at the park office on the South Shore for a moderate, three-mile hike to view the changing colors. We will also discuss some threats that foreign plants and insects are posing to our natural landscape. Please dress for the weather, wear sturdy hiking shoes and bring drinking water.

Saturday, October 18, 2008

1:30 PM

“Kayaking in Color”

In autumn the trees are nature’s kaleidoscope. Unfortunately, this rainbow of color only appears a few weeks each fall. Meet the park naturalist at the Pleasant Valley launch, on the South Shore of Moraine, to kayak amongst the beautiful natural scenery. Bring your own kayak to participate, or you can reserve one of Moraine State Park’s kayaks free of charge. Participants that use park kayaks must be at least 12 years of age. An adult must accompany those participants that are under the age of 18. To reserve a park kayak call the Moraine office at 724-368-8811. Please be sure to dress for the weather conditions and bring drinking water.

Saturday, October 25, 2008

9:30 AM

“Kayaking in Color”

In autumn the trees are nature’s kaleidoscope. Unfortunately, this rainbow of color only appears a few weeks each fall. Meet the park naturalist at the Davis Hollow public launch, on the North Shore of Moraine, to kayak amongst the beautiful natural scenery. Bring your own kayak to participate, or you can reserve one of Moraine State Park’s kayaks free of charge. Participants that use park kayaks must be at least 12 years of age. An adult must accompany those participants that are under the age of 18. To reserve a park kayak call the Moraine office at 724-368-8811. Please be sure to dress for the weather conditions and bring drinking water.

Saturday, October 25, 2008

2:00 PM

“Fall Foliage Cruise”

When fall arrives, the park begins to transform. The crowds abate, and the sounds and colors change. Meet the park naturalist at the Davis Hollow Marina office, on the North Shore of Moraine, to experience the park’s shift from summer into fall. This program will take place upon one of Moraine State Park’s pontoon boats. Space is limited. Reserve your place by calling the park office at 724-368-8811. This is a free program and all ages are welcome to attend. It can become cool on the lake in autumn, and coats are recommended.

♿ Access for People with Disabilities

If you need an accommodation to participate in park activities due to a disability, please contact the Pennsylvania Bureau of State Parks with at least three days notice.

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