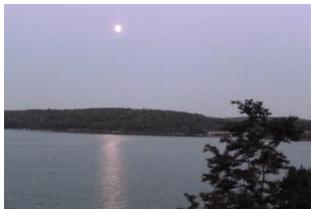


## Two-Day Environmental Studies Course

Hosted by:  
**Mountain Laurel Garden Club**  
Garrett County, Maryland

**You are invited:** Come to beautiful Garrett County with an abundance of environmental resources to learn about the many facets of our physical world, how they relate to our landscapes, and how to promote good principles of biodiversity and the love of nature.

**Location:** You will find the perfect place at the Deep Creek Lake State Park's Discovery Center. Through hands-on exhibits that showcase the natural resources of Western Maryland, the center provides education about the flora, fauna, wildlife, cultural and historical heritage that have turned this former logging and coal mining region into a popular modern day vacation destination.



**Deep Creek Lake**



### Wildlife at Deep Creek Lake

In addition to seeking Environmental Consultant status through the National Garden Clubs, **the course may also be taken purely for your personal enrichment.**



**Deep Creek Lake State Park**

## Course 2 The Living Earth

Thursday & Friday,  
August 14 & 15, 2014

**The course work:** Many important issues and aspects of "The Living Earth" will be covered, concentrating on land and its related issues. Course 2 moves on from the basics of Course 1 into more specific topics such as: the various land types; food plants and food production; watershed restoration and protection; resource conservation and pollution reduction; earth's resources; the role of animals and organisms in the web of life; the principles of gardening with nature; forest ecology and old-growth forests.

**Day One:** Five classes and a nature discovery field trip to the old-growth forest at Swallow Falls State Park, one of only a few remaining in our country.

**Day Two:** Three classes and a course review are offered with an optional written test if seeking the Environmental Consultant status through the National Garden Clubs, Inc. The test is otherwise not required.



**Swallow Falls State Park**

### **Course Schedule**

These courses can be taken in any order.

**Course 1:** This was the first course offered by the FGCMD and was held in April of 2014.

**Course 2:** “Land and Related Issues” Scheduled for August 14 and 15, 2014.

**Course 3:** “Air and Related Issues” Scheduled for April, 2015

**Course 4:** “Water and Related Issues” Scheduled for Fall of 2015

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**Muddy Creek Falls**

**Registration:** The two-day course registration fee of \$100 includes eight one-hour classes, a two-hour field trip, a printed Student Study Manual, and lunch both days.

Registration forms are available at the websites of the Federated Garden Clubs of MD, [www.fgcofmd.org](http://www.fgcofmd.org) and the Mountain Laurel Garden Club, [www.mountainlaurelgardenclub.com](http://www.mountainlaurelgardenclub.com)

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**The Discovery Center**