

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

This Department of Natural Resource's interpretive environmental center is nestled along the shores of Deep Creek Lake. Numerous natural resource exhibits provide a behind the scenes look into Deep Creek Lake, its watershed, and the conservation issues facing the region today. The Discovery Center also features many aquariums with native fish and other aquatic species from the lakes, streams, and rivers. An aviary with live birds of prey, native plant gardens, a Monarch Butterfly rearing tank, a live underwater fish camera and discovery science stations all provide a variety of environmental education. The center also includes a Nature Shop where you will find a variety of educational and environmental gifts.

Course I The Living Earth

Thursday & Friday,
April 3 & 4, 2014

The course work: The classroom and conference area of the Discovery Center will provide the setting for this two-day course being held on Thursday and Friday, April 3rd and 4th, 2014. The course will include eight one-hour classes: Ecology; Plant Biodiversity; Environmental Science; Environmental Issues; Backyard Wildlife Habitat; Networking & Outreach; Historic Environmental Actions & Leaders; and Sustainability.

First Day: Five classes and an onsite nature discovery field trip at the Deep Creek Lake State Park will be offered. Dynamic and engaging instructors for these classes have been chosen for their educational expertise in conservation and environmental education.

Second day: Three classes and a course review are offered with an optional written test if you are seeking the Environmental Consultant status through the National Garden Clubs, Inc. The test is not required and the course may be taken purely for your personal enrichment.



Bloodroot

Course Schedule

Course I: This is the first Environmental Studies School offered by the FGCMMD and will be the first of four courses. The courses do not have to be taken in any specific order.

Course II: “Land and Related Issues” is scheduled for two consecutive days in August, 2014, also to be held at the Discovery Center.

Course III: “Air and Related Issues” (TBA)

Course IV: “Water and Related Issues” (TBA)

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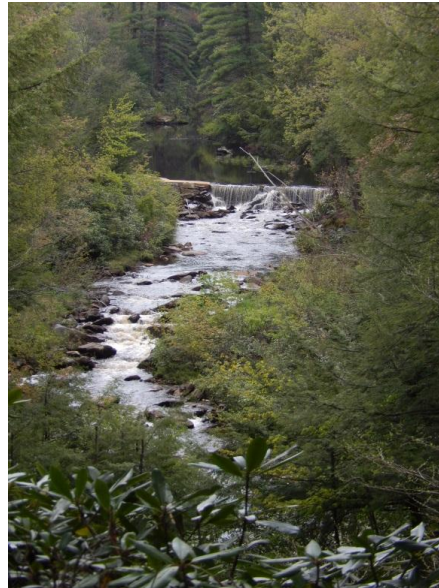
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Cherry Creek

Registration: The two-day course registration fee of \$100 includes a printed Student Study Manual, fruit, beverages, snacks, and lunches for both days.

Discounted rooms are available at North Glade Inn B & B and Quality Inn (both in close proximity to the Discovery Center)

Registration forms will be available at the websites of the Federated Garden Clubs of MD, www.fgcofmd.org and the Mountain Laurel Garden Club www.mountainlaurelgardenclub.com

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COURSE I

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The Discovery Center