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Explore the Marsh at Huntley’s Wetlands Awareness Day

Celebrate the beauty and importance of wetlands at Huntley Meadows Park, the Fairfax County Park Authority’s premier wetland sanctuary. This free special event will be held Sunday, May 4, 2014 from noon to 4 p.m., rain or shine.

Bring friends and family to stroll along the half-mile boardwalk trail and learn about beavers, wood ducks, and water quality. Look through a spotting scope at a great blue heron and meet a raptor up close. Families will receive a passport to direct them to educational displays, games, and face painting at the Family Fun Fair. There is a small fee for some activities.

Wetlands Awareness Day is co-sponsored by the Friends of Huntley Meadows Park. For more information, call Huntley Meadows Park at 703-768-2525 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/huntley-meadows-park.

Huntley Meadows Park is owned and operated by the Fairfax County Park Authority. The 1,500-acre park harbors majestic forests, wildflower-speckled meadows and vast wetlands bursting with life. Some of the best wildlife watching in the Washington metropolitan area is enjoyed here. Huntley Meadows is well known as a prime birding spot, with over 200 species identified in the park.

A \$3 million project to restore the wetland was recently completed, and a grand opening will be held May 10 from 10 a.m. to noon. Huntley Meadows Park is located at 3701 Lockheed Blvd. in Alexandria, Va.

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