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See Flying Squirrels Glide In at Hidden Oaks Nature Center

Arguably one of nature's cutest critters, flying squirrels are abundant in Fairfax County; however, they are unseen by most residents. For the best chance to see these graceful gliders, families are invited to attend the *Flying Squirrels: Gliding in Tonight* program at Hidden Oaks Nature Center on Sunday, November 16 or Friday, November 28, 2014. This one-hour program starts at 5:45 p.m. on Sunday and 6 p.m. on Friday. The cost is \$6 per person.

A naturalist will lure flying squirrels to nesting boxes using peanut butter. The adorable animals seemingly appear out of nowhere as they spread their arms and legs and glide down from nearby trees. Participants will gain a new appreciation for illusive flying squirrels which, while small, regularly outwit foes including gray squirrels and owls. Participants will receive plans for building nesting and roosting boxes and learn how to encourage flying squirrels to visit their yard.

Hidden Oaks Nature Center is located at 7701 Royce St. in Annandale, Va. The nature center is nestled in the woods of 52-acre Annandale District Park.

Registration is available online at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/hidden-oaks/public.htm or by calling 703-222-4664. Children must be accompanied by a registered adult.

For more information, call Hidden Oaks at 703-941-1065.

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If accommodations and/or alternative formats are needed, please call (703) 324-8563, at least 10 working days in advance of the registration deadline or event. TTY (703) 803-3354.