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Riverbend Park Features Astronomy and Cold-Weather Camping

Fire in the sky and fire on the ground are coming to Riverbend Park. And you'll likely appreciate any warmth that comes with them.

One of Riverbend Park's biggest annual events and one of the biggest challenges the park offers you are both this month. [Riverbend's Astronomy Festival](#) is Saturday, February 21, 2015. From 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., guides will help you star gaze through telescopes alongside the Potomac River at one of the darkest spots in Fairfax County. There will be stories around a campfire about the constellations, games and other activities. There also will be hot chocolate and snacks available for purchase. The cost is \$6 in advance for Fairfax County residents and \$7 at the door. The cost for out-of-county visitors is \$8.

On Friday, February 27, you can challenge the weather and your resolve at Riverbend's [Klondike Cookout and Campout](#). This program provides a chance to learn how to camp in freezing conditions. S'mores and breakfast are provided. If you wish, come just for the cookout on Friday evening. The cost for the cookout and s'mores is \$10. The cost for both the cookout and campout is \$25 per person. Call Riverbend Park for more information about the programs at 703-759-9018 or visit Riverbend's website at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/riverbend-park/.

Riverbend Park is located at 8700 Potomac Hills Street in Great Falls, VA.



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.