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Green Spring Honors its Visitors with Week of Special Events

Green Spring Gardens is celebrating Visitor Appreciation Week with five days of free activities that will culminate on National Public Gardens Day on Friday, May 6, 2016. The park will show its appreciation by offering special free gardening and cultural events each morning followed by afternoon refreshments at the Horticulture Center.

On Monday, May 2, visitors are invited to join Green Spring Master Gardeners in a wide-ranging roundtable conversation on “What’s Happening in Your Garden” in the Horticulture Center’s library beginning at 11 a.m. During the discussion, Master Gardeners will answer gardening questions.

On Tuesday, May 3, Green Spring Gardens Manager Mary Olien will lead a tour of Green Spring’s most remarkable trees. She will share stories about their natural history and horticulture. Visitors should meet at 11 a.m. in the lobby of the Horticulture Center.

On Wednesday, May 4, Debbie Waugh will lead a special tour of the Historic House at Green Spring, taking visitors to areas of the 1784 house where the public seldom treads. This tour goes inside and out, upstairs and down, to bring the house’s history to life. Tour participants must be able to climb steep stairs to visit the second floor. This tour meets at 11 a.m. outside the Historic House.

On Thursday, May 5, visitors will get the chance to tour Green Spring’s Edible Garden. Gardeners will be on hand to answer questions on growing fruits, vegetables and herbs. The tour begins at 11 a.m. at the Edible Garden.

On Friday, May 6, Green Spring celebrates National Public Gardens Day with a tour of the gardens led by Green Spring Master Gardener docents. The docents will inspire visitors with stories of Green Spring past and present. Participants will meet at 11 a.m. in the lobby of the Horticulture Center.

Green Spring Gardens is located at 4603 Green Spring Rd., Alexandria, VA. For more information, call 703-642-5173 or visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring/>.

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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.