Become a Friend!

Fill out the form on the reverse, detach and mail it, along with a check made out to *FOBHNP*, to:

Friends of the Black Hill Nature Programs Black Hill Regional Park 20926 Lake Ridge Drive Boyds, MD 20841

Annual Membership Dues:

- □ \$10 Student/Senior (65+) Member
- □ \$15 Individual Member
- □ \$20 Family Membership
- □ \$150 Lifetime Member
- □ \$200 Corporate Member
- ☐ \$___ Tax-Deductible Gift/Donation

We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization under the Internal Revenue Code. Your contribution is tax-deductible.

Membership is renewed annually in June.

Your privacy is important to us. We will not distribute any information about you, without your permission.



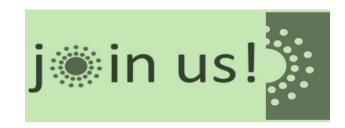
[Photo of Silver-Spotted Skipper in the Black Hill Visitor Center Gardens]

Who We Are

The *Friends* Group was formed in April 2001 by volunteers interested in supporting the interpretive naturalist staff and the nature programs, to assure that nature experiences and environmental education would be available to individuals of all ages. Examples of activities the *Friends* Group support, include:

- Nature Play Spaces;
- Outdoor Classrooms;
- Native Plant Greenhouse Propagation;
- Visitor Center Gardens;
- Bluebird Boxes;
- Annual Events such as Family Day, Staff Recognition Luncheon, How Does Your Garden Grow, Wine & Waterfowl Festival, Mudfest, and Monarch Fiesta Day; and,
- Programs for schoolchildren, preschoolers, scouts and seniors.

Our Email: FOBH_1@hotmail.com









Friends

of Black Hill Nature Programs promote, support, and sustain the nature programs and special events at the Black Hill Regional Park in Boyds, MD.



[Top Photo: Great Blue Heron on Little Seneca Lake] [Bottom Photo: Salamander in Montgomery Co]





[Photo of Sailboat on Little Seneca Lake]

As a member, you will:

- ✓ Discover nature programs and events for individuals of all ages;
- ✓ Have a direct voice in important decisions affecting the nature programs;
- ✓ Receive discounts on naturalist programs such as nature hikes and wildflower walks;
- ✓ Gain early access to the Annual Native Plant Sale;
- ✓ Learn from and work closely with naturalists;
- ✓ Join others who work tirelessly to help our fellow citizens better understand these unique surroundings; and,
- ✓ Create awareness to help protect, preserve and restore the environment.



[Photo of Monarch Butterfly in the Gardens]

Facts about the Black Hill Nature Programs

The mission of Montgomery Park Nature Centers is to inspire visitors to learn about and enjoy the natural and cultural resources of the County and to advocate for its stewardship.

The interpretive naturalists at the Black Hill Regional Park support this mission by conducting in-school and outdoor activities focused primarily on the County's schoolchildren. Programs are also provided for teens and adults.



[Photo of Pontoon Boat on Little Seneca Lake]

The park spans 2,000 acres and is filled with the bounties of the natural world. It includes over 16 miles of natural surface trails, and a water trail on Little Seneca Lake, which comprises 505 acres. Trails offer spectacular views of the lake.

You can fish, canoe, kayak, paddleboard or climb aboard the Kingfisher pontoon boat for a naturalist-led tour of the lake. You can also ride your horse on the trails or hike through oak and hickory forests through some of our best natural areas.

[All photos were taken by Karen Plá]