

September 29, 2007

NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

National Public Lands Day is the nation's largest hands-on volunteer effort to improve and enhance the public lands we enjoy. In 2006, about 100,000 volunteers built trails and bridges, planted trees, and removed trash and invasive plants. If you are interested in volunteering for the day, please contact Park Ranger Diane Eilenstein at 417-325- 4151 for details.

CANDLE MAKING 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Step back in time at the 1881 Moses Carver House and learn the history of candle making. One of George's chores was to help make candles with Susan Carver. A park ranger will explain the process while visitors try their hand at dipping candles

Opening of the Newly Constructed Visitor Center

The recently completed Visitor Center opens to the public on **June 25, 2007** at 9:00 a.m.. This 18,000 square foot Carver Discovery Center includes a renovated visitor center with a new expanded theater, improved museum exhibits, new interactive exhibits, new George Washington Carver archives and museum collection storage, library, emergency storm shelter, and more.

Everyone is cordially invited to come and see this outstanding facility, and bring your friends, neighbors, and summertime guests. Park operating hours are 9:00 a.m.- 5:00p.m. daily, including weekends.

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Calendar of Activities July- September 2007



"The primary idea in all my work was to help the farmer and fill the poor man's dinner pail."

- George Washington Carver, January 16, 1929

We would like to encourage you to visit George Washington Carver National Monument and experience the many excellent programs and activities that are available. These programs are provided free of charge in partnership with the Carver Birthplace District Association.

The monument is located two miles west of Diamond, Missouri, on Highway V, then ½ mile south on Carver Road.

The Visitor Center and park grounds are open daily from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. For more information, please call the park at (417) 325- 4151 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. or visit the park website at www.nps.gov/gwca

JULY

July 07, 2007 **1 p.m.**

MAN OF GREAT FAITH

George Washington Carver was a creative scientist who had an unwavering faith in the Great Creator. Dedicating his life to helping others, Dr. Carver combined both his faith and science without compromise. Explore this program with a park ranger and discover how his dedication served others.

July 14, 2007 **10 a.m. - 4 p.m.**

CARVER DAY CELEBRATION

Something for everyone at this special event! Visitors will hear gospel music from area choirs, be invited to participate in family activities, and see many interesting exhibits!

July 21, 2007 **11 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

DISCOVERY CENTER EXPERIMENTS

Calling all young students interested in science! A park ranger will lead you in variety of experiments in the Carver Science Discovery Center today!

July 28, 2007 **11 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

OLD- FASHIONED TOYS AND GAMES

Playtime was a simple affair in the 19th century, as children invented their own games or played with homemade toys. Join a park ranger at the Moses Carver House and experience the joy of playing with some old- fashioned toys and games.

AUGUST

August 04, 2007 **2 p.m. - 4 p.m.**

TRI- STATE WOODCARVERS

Join us in welcoming the Tri- State Woodcarvers as they demonstrate their carving skills. These talented men and women will show us what they have been working on!

August 11, 2007 **10 a.m.**

WILDFLOWER WALK

The prairies are in full bloom! Join a park ranger to identify some native Missouri wildflowers and learn about Dr. Carver' s lifelong love of flowers. Be sure to wear sturdy shoes and come prepared to hike.

August 18, 2007 **1 p.m.**

EXPRESSIONS OF THE SOUL

George Washington Carver was a very talented artist using flowering plants and landscapes as his favorite subjects to draw or paint. The program looks more closely at Carver the artist and how his artistry brought joy to his life.

August 25, 2007

TRI- STATE WOODCARVERS **2 p.m. - 4 p.m.**

It is always a pleasure to have the woodcarvers demonstrating their craft at the park! Come watch these skilled craftsmen create detailed carvings from ordinary wood.

BUGGIN' AROUND **11 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

Travel to Williams Pond to take a closer look at the insect world, and view an insect collection. Learn the importance of these small creatures and how George W. Carver helped the southern farmer defeat the boll weevil.

SEPTEMBER

September 01, 2007 **11 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL ON WHEELS

The Jesup Wagon, also known as the Agricultural School on Wheels, carried George Washington Carver's bulletins, in addition to many other useful supplies, to the southern farmers. A park ranger will share the story of this fascinating teaching tool.

September 08, 2007 **10 a.m. - 4 p.m.**

PRAIRIE DAY CELEBRATION

Come and celebrate life on the prairie during the 1860s to 1880s. Musical entertainment, nature exhibits and a variety of living history demonstrations are the highlights of the event. Visitors are invited to dip candles, churn butter, tour the prairie in the horse- drawn wagon, and much more!

September 15, 2007 **1 p.m. - 2 p.m.**

EPITAPHS & ENGRAVINGS

Take some time to learn about the symbols and engravings on the headstones during this program at the Carver Family Cemetery. A park ranger will explain the meaning behind the symbols which tell us about the lives of the early settlers

September 22, 2007 **10 a.m. - noon**

WATERCOLORS WITH PAULA GILTNER

Local artist Paula Giltner has completed several watercolors of George Washington Carver and the park. Please join Paula as she interprets her paintings of Dr. Carver.