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Don't Forget! Deadline for the Big South Fork Photography Contest is Monday, August 7 and Entry Forms are at

<http://www.nps.gov/biso/photosmultimedia/biso-photo-contest.htm>.

Join Us for Ranger-Led GO BIG Challenge Programs:

- Sunday, August 13th at 11 am (ET) for a one hour hike of the Yahoo Falls Loop. Meet at the Yahoo Falls parking area located on Yahoo Falls Rd, off Highway 700 near Whitley City, KY.
- Wednesday, August 16th at 2:30 pm (ET) for a moderate 3.2 mile round-trip hike up to Dick Gap overlook. Meet at Blue Heron Interpretive Center's Train Depot at the end of KY route 742.
- Sunday, August 20th at 11 am (ET) for a one hour hike of the Yahoo Falls Loop. Meet at the Yahoo Falls parking area located on Yahoo Falls Rd, off Highway 700 near Whitley City, KY.
- Wednesday, August 23rd at 2:30 pm (ET) for a moderate but steep 2.4 mile hike along part of the Blue Heron loop trail. Meet at the Blue Heron Interpretive Center's Train Depot at the end of Kentucky route 742.

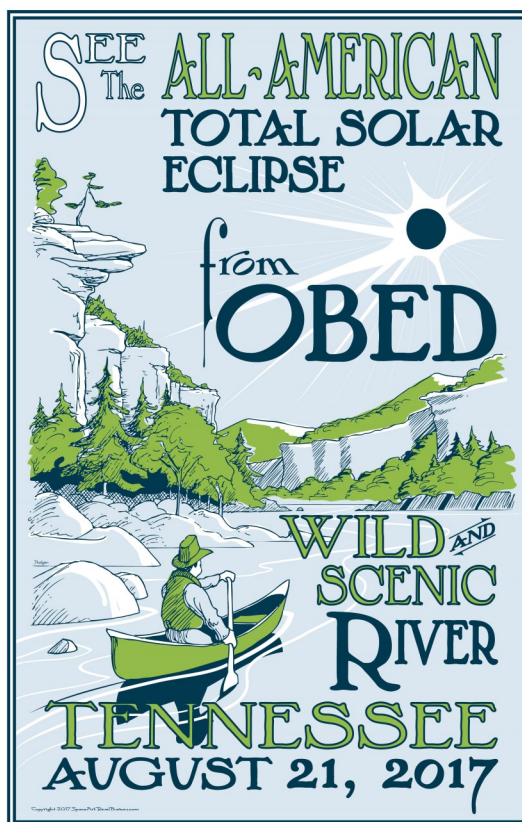
Hike with a Ranger along the Nemo Section of the Cumberland Trail on Friday, August 11th.

The 2.5-mile hike will traverse a little-used section of the park and allow a chance to view a scenic confluence of the Obed and Emory Rivers, as well as several different sandstone boulders in the park. This hike will begin at 11 am (ET) at the Nemo Day-Use Area parking lot, located just off of Catoosa Road in Morgan County.

Everyone is Invited to Our Photo Contest Reveal on Friday Evening, August 25th at 5 pm (ET).

We are also celebrating the National Park Service's 101th birthday, complete with birthday cake and live music by Shelter Road Band. Come by, view beautiful photography, listen to music, and maybe even dance a few steps.

Great News! Obed just received notification that we are receiving a grant from the National Parks Foundation to help bring more school



Where Will You Be for the Total Solar Eclipse on August 21st? We'll have "eclipse shades" available so you can protect your eyes and solar-filtered viewing equipment available so you can get a closer look. Special Junior Ranger activities will also be available for kids. Viewing locations include:

- **Obed Visitor Center** located at 208 N. Maiden Street in Wartburg, TN
- **The Lilly Bluff Overlook** located just after crossing Lilly Bridge on Ridge Road in Morgan County, TN
- **Gateway to the Big South Fork Visitor Center** located at 176 River Otter Drive, Crossville, TN.
- **Bandy Creek Visitor Center** located in the Big South Fork NRR at 151 Stable Road, Oneida, TN

The distribution of eclipse glasses and viewers will begin at 11 am (ET) at all locations. The partial phase of the eclipse will begin at ~1 pm (ET) and end at approximately 4 pm (ET).

The totality phase of the eclipse will occur at approximately 2:30 pm (ET). Parking will be limited.

Bandy Creek Visitor Center (423) 286-7275 or visit us at:

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