

National Park Service Department of the Interior

Big South Fork National River & Recreation Area
Obed Wild & Scenic River



August 2019

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Go Big Programs:

- **Junior Ranger Programs every Saturday** at Bandy Creek VC at 10 am ET.
- **Hike to Gentlemen's Swimming Hole every Saturday and Sunday this summer** at 10 am ET. Meet the ranger at the Rugby VC for a 2.6 mile easy to moderate hike.
- **Hike to Angel Falls Rapids Trail every Sunday** at noon ET. Meet the ranger at Leatherwood Ford Parking Lot for a 4 mile easy hike.
- **Hike to Sunset Overlook on Saturday, August 3** at 10 am ET. Meet the ranger at the trailhead on East Rim Road for a 2.6 easy hike.
- **Owls of the Big South Fork Evening Program on Saturday, August 3** at 7 pm. Meet at the Interpretation & Education Building at Bandy Creek.
- **Animals of Big South Fork Evening Program on Saturday, August, 10,** 7 pm ET. Meet at Bandy Creek Campfire Circle.
- **Go Fishing with a Ranger on Saturday, August 17** at 7 pm ET. Meet at Leatherwood Ford Parking Lot. Bring your rod, lure, and valid fishing license if over the age of 13.
- **Night Sky Program on Saturday, August 24** at 9:30 pm ET. Meet at Bandy Creek VC Parking Lot.
- **Black Bears of Big South Fork Program on Saturday, August 31** at 7 pm ET. Meet at Bandy Creek Campfire Circle.



Lianne Brauch Russell, 1923-2019. Dr. Russell was one of the leading proponents for the establishment and protection of the Obed and Big South Fork.

Celebrate the National Park Service's on Sunday, August 25. Free camping has been authorized at Alum Ford Campground as well as all backcountry permits for this day.

Art in the Park on Friday, August 30 at 6:30 pm (ET). The reception will include a display of photographs from our annual photography contest, live music, and unveiling of the winning photos. Come by and cast your vote for the People's Choice award.

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Join us for a Healthy Hike along the Emory River Gorge Section of the Cumberland Trail on Friday, August 9.

Participants will get to view several sandstone rock formations, as well as the spectacular confluence of the Obed and Emory river junction. Meet the ranger at Nemo day-use area parking lot at 10 am ET for a 2.5 mile hike.

It's Time for an Owl Prowl on Friday Evening, August 16 at 9 pm ET at Lilly Bluff Overlook parking lot, located off Ridge Road in Morgan County, TN. Bring flashlights.

Hike with a Ranger on Cumberland Trail on Saturday, August 17. Meet at Devil's Breakfast Table trailhead at 10 am ET for a moderate to strenuous 4 mile hike.

We're Having A Birthday Party on Friday, August 23 and everyone is invited. The National Park Service is 103 years old and we are celebrating with an Art in the Park reception that includes a display of photographs from our annual photography contest, live music, and unveiling of the winning photos. And of course

birthday cake!

The Next Obed Night Sky Program will be on Saturday, August 24 to view the Milky Way and the gaseous giant planets Jupiter and Saturn. Telescopes will be available for sky observations at Lilly Bluff Overlook starting at 8:45 pm ET.

We're Teaming Up with East Tennessee Climbers Coalition to Host Adopt-a-Crag on Saturday, August 31. Volunteers are needed. Meet at the Lilly Pad, 920 Ridge Road in Lancing, TN at 9 am ET.

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