

National Park Service Department of the Interior

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Obed Wild & Scenic River



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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 Visitor Center for a 2.6 Mile Easy to Moderate Hike.
- **Hike to O & W Bridge every Sunday in July** at 1 pm ET. Meet the ranger at Leatherwood Ford Parking Lot for a 4.6 Mile Moderate Hike
- **Animals of Big South Fork Program on Saturday, July 6 at 7 pm ET.** Meet at the Bandy Creek Campfire Circle.
- **50th Anniversary of the Apollo 11 Landing Program on Saturday, July 13 from 8 to 11 pm ET.** Meet at the Bandy Creek Visitor Center Parking Lot.
- **Hike Burnt Mill Bridge Loop on Saturday, July 20** at 10 am ET. Meet the ranger at Burnt Mill Bridge Loop Parking Lot. 4.3 Mile Moderate Hike
- **Go Fishing with a Ranger on Saturday, July 20 at 7 pm ET.** Meet the ranger at Leatherwood Ford Parking Lot. Bring your fishing rod and favorite lures!
- **Black Bears Program on Saturday, July 27** at 7 pm ET. Meet at the Bandy Creek Campfire Circle.

Bandy Creek Pool is Open 12-6 pm ET on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, and Holidays. The pool is also available for after-hours rentals.

DYK? Blue Heron Campground now has free WIFI for registered campers.

The Deadline for the Big South Fork and Obed Photography Contests is Friday, July 26!

Entry forms for the Big South Fork are at <https://www.nps.gov/biso/planyourvisit/biso-photo-contest.htm>.

Forms for the Obed are at <https://www.nps.gov/obed/learn/photosmultimedia/obed-photo-contest.htm>.

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The Next Obed Night Sky Program will be on Saturday, July 13 with a special viewing opportunity of Saturn near its brightest and largest for the year. We'll also view the Jovian planet Jupiter, the Moon, and the bright stars in the summer sky. Telescopes will be available for sky observations. Viewing will be at Lilly Bluff Overlook from 9-11 pm ET.

Summer Friday "Lunch and Learn" Program Continues.

We're partnering with Morgan County Schools and Frozen Head State Park (FHSP) to offer a "Lunch and Learn" program series on Fridays at 10:30 am (ET). Visitors under the age of 18 will receive a free snack, lunch, and drink after a one-hour program.

July 5 - FHSP Visitor Center

July 12-Lilly Bluff Overlook Parking Area

July 19 - FHSP Visitor Center

July 26 - Nemo Day Use Area

Join Us for an Owl Prowl on Friday Evening, July 19

at 9 pm ET at Lilly Bluff Overlook parking lot, located off Ridge Road in Morgan County, TN. Participants will get a chance to learn about the habits and mannerisms of the Eastern Screech Owl and the Barred Owl. Be sure to bring flashlights and wear sturdy shoes.

Hike Nemo at Night on Saturday, July 20. Join us for a 2.4-mile moderate hike to enjoy the stellar nightscape of the Emory River Gorge. Meet at Nemo Picnic Area at 9:30 pm ET.



We want to see the Big South Fork and Obed
THROUGH YOUR EYES

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