**Haunting in the Hills Student Art Contest** is underway and open to all 5th grade students attending any school associated with one of the gateway community school districts near Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area. Artwork will be featured in an exhibit at the Bandy Creek Education Center. All student entries will be acknowledged at a special reception on Saturday, November 10, 2012, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time). The grand prize winner’s artwork will also be featured on the cover of a CD showcasing stories from this past year’s Storytelling Festival.

**Big South Fork’s Grand Gap Loop Trail is Honored** as an International Mountain Biking Destination in recognition of our spectacular landscape, trail length, and a back country experience. Big South Fork is the first national park to receive the elite Epic Ride designation. The Epic designation will draw hundreds of new users to the park. For more information on biking in the park, visit the park’s webpage at [http://www.nps.gov/biso/planyourvisit/mountainbikeriding.htm](http://www.nps.gov/biso/planyourvisit/mountainbikeriding.htm) or [www.bigsouthforkbike.org](http://www.bigsouthforkbike.org).

**JOBS! JOBS! JOBS!** Applications are being accepted for an electrician to work at Obed and Big South Fork. Apply online at: [https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/330275000](https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/330275000). Applications are due Nov. 16. More opportunities for employment at both Big South Fork NRRA and Obed Wild and Scenic River will be coming up in the next few months. Check out [https://www.usajobs.gov](https://www.usajobs.gov) if you are interested. Search by state, choose Tennessee and see what shows up! Narrow your search by Agency and choose Department of Interior.

**New Orientation Film for the Visitor Center is Underway.** Prime Lens Productions, a Chicago based firm, began recently began filming in the park to create a new educational film to be shown in the newly renovated visitor center. This film will help visitors learn more about all the incredible opportunities available to them. Prime Lens has created many award winning films for other national parks.

**Obed and the City of Wartburg team up to make recycling in the park easier than ever.** More recycling bins are now available throughout the park thanks to a partnership with the City of Wartburg. Look for them and do you part to Recycle, Reduce and Reuse. Every little bit make a big difference!

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