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Stop By and “Ask A Ranger” on the Porch at Bandy Creek Visitor Center seven days a week and on the weekends at the Crossville-Cumberland County.

Join Us Virtually on our Facebook page www.facebook.com/BigSouthForkNPS for:

Campground Day Hikes Mondays: Info on popular hikes in the Bandy Creek and Leatherwood Ford areas.

Trivia Tuesdays: We’re bringing back #TuesdayTrivia to help with GO BIG Challenge booklets.

Traditional Crafts Thursdays: We’ll be discussing some of the crafts that are part of Appalachian culture.

Birds of Prey Fridays: Learn about the hunters in the sky that can be found in the Big South Fork.

Free Camping on Wednesday, November 11. In honor of Veterans Day, we’ve authorized a night of free camping at Alum Ford Campground as well as for all backcountry camping permits.

We Can’t Do It Without You!

Over the past 12 months volunteers contributed 17,208 hours of their time helping Big South Fork.



Get Out There & Enjoy Autumn. All GO BIG Challenge Booklets are Due Back to Big South Fork by Tuesday, December 1.

“Ask A Ranger” in front of the Obed Visitor Center is open on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, and Mondays.

November is a Great Month for Viewing Five Planets without any Optical Aid. Gaze into the sky after sunset to see Mars, Jupiter and Saturn. Then rise a bit early to see Mercury and Venus in the early morning sky. Enjoy these celestial encounters, just as they have been watched by our ancestors since time immemorial.

Obed Homework Hotspot for Local Students. Free WiFi is available between 7 am and 8 pm in the front parking lot of the Visitor Center located at 208 N. Maiden Street in Wartburg.

Rock Creek Campground, Located Adjacent to the Nemo Area, is Open Year Around.

Reservations may be made by calling 1-877-444-6777 or going online at www.recreation.gov.

The campground offers 11 campsites and has grills and primitive toilet facilities, but no running water.

Hog Hunting Season is Underway.

During big game seasons, wild hogs may be harvested with the appropriate weapon that is legal for that specific season and during an extended hog hunting season that lasts from the end of the deer season until the end of February with a weapon that is approved by that state for harvesting big game.

A \$5 hog hunting permit is required to hunt hogs and may be purchased online at <http://www.nps.gov/biso/planyourvisit/hog-hunting.htm>, or <http://www.nps.gov/obed/planyourvisit/permits.htm>.

Please report any poaching or illegal activity to our Parks’ Resource Protection Hotline 423-569-7301.

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