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Wilderness Station holds Back Country backpacking event

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. -- It's still backpacking but Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation Department is making it as family-friendly as possible.

The over-night hike and camping trip is planned Sept. 21 starting at the Wilderness Station.

Check-in is between 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. at the station for the easy one-mile hike to the campground. Once there, park staff will be on-hand to help campers set up and settle in at the Barfield-Crescent Backcountry Campground.

Various activities are planned for campers to choose from throughout the night. They may choose to participate or just relax in front of the campfire.

Guided Night Hikes, Owl Prowls, Children's Activities and Games, Campfire Fun and Music will make this camping experience a night to remember.

Tents (two- and four-person), ground cloths, sleeping pads, and backpacks are available by request when registering to camp.

Those registering for the event should sign up for the required Wilderness Awareness Workshop.

Workshops are scheduled Sept. 12 and 19 at 6 p.m. and Sept. 14 at 2 p.m. All will be held at the Wilderness Station, located at the back of Barfield-Crescent Park.

The event fee is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 5 through 12.

Admission is free for children 4 and under if accompanied by a paying adult.

Dinner and breakfast menus include hotdogs, campfire pita pizza, chips, drinks, S'Mores, breakfast muffins, coffee and orange juice.

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