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**BROOKSIDE NATURE CENTER BRINGS PROGRAMS TO COMMUNITY**

**WHEATON, MD** -- Brookside Nature Center is launching a new outreach program to serve Montgomery County. Outreach naturalist Brady Hartley will take "Let Us Bring Nature to You" programs throughout the county to schools, community centers, places of worship, community events, scout programs and various other audiences.

The traveling programs are offered September through May, weekdays 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings and occasional weekends. To schedule a program, contact Brady at 301-625-7207 or [Brady.Hartley@mncppc-mc.org](mailto:Brady.Hartley@mncppc-mc.org).

All of the educational discoveries can be found at

[www.mcparkandplanning.org/Parks/nature\\_centers/brookside/programs/nature\\_to\\_you.pdf](http://www.mcparkandplanning.org/Parks/nature_centers/brookside/programs/nature_to_you.pdf)

A preview of outreach programs offered will be available at picnic shelter F near the miniature train station at the Shorefield Road entrance of **Wheaton Regional Park** during Montgomery County Public Schools' spring break. Ongoing activities for kids include the following:

**Monday, April 10**

- 12 noon to 3 p.m. -- "Toad'ly Awesome Toads"

**Wednesday, April 12**

- 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. -- "Our Feathered Friends"

**Friday, April 14**

- 12 noon to 3 p.m. -- "Mammal Mania"

Information on family programs and organized programs is available at

[www.brooksidenature.org](http://www.brooksidenature.org) and in The Guide listings of Parks and Recreation programs available at recreation facilities, most Montgomery County office buildings, Montgomery Regional Office Building and Parkside Headquarters.

Brookside Nature Center is located at 1400 Glenallan Avenue, Wheaton. The center is open Tuesday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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