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**LOCUST GROVE NATURE CENTER TO HOLD “HAPPY BIRD DAY” EVENT
ON MAY 13**

BETHESDA, MD - The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission's (M-NCPPC) parks naturalists and the Friends of Locust Grove invite park visitors, nature lovers and bird enthusiasts to celebrate spring and welcome migratory birds at “Happy Bird Day,” Saturday, May 13, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Locust Grove Nature Center located at 7777 Democracy Boulevard in Bethesda Cabin John Regional Park.

Participants will enjoy live birds, guided bluebird walks, games, crafts, exhibits and more bird-related fun. Park naturalists, Friends of Locust Grove Nature Center and other volunteers will help visitors celebrate birds and the benefits they provide to all.

Happy Bird Day coincides with World Migratory Bird Day, a series of international celebrations sponsored by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and many other government and non-profit agencies around the globe. Additional information is available at <http://www.fws.gov/birds/imbd.html>.

No reservations are required, however, there is a \$2 fee for this event. For additional information, call Locust Grove Nature Center, 301-299-1990.

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