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17th Annual Wildlife Weekend Set

The 17th Annual Wildlife Weekend has been scheduled for October 10 and 11, 2014. The City of Bristol Tennessee along with the Friends of Steele Creek Nature Center and Park are the sponsors of the jam-packed weekend.

The event begins on Friday evening at 6:30 PM at the Lodge located within Steele Creek Park with the annual Art and Photography Show. Prizes will be awarded to the winners during a reception, sponsored by the Friends group. Former Steele Creek Park Naturalist Kevin Hamed will deliver the weekend's keynote address in a short program titled "Discovering our Ecological Treasure – 50 years of Natural Research."

On Saturday morning programs will begin at 8:30 AM with an Early Bird Walk and Bird Banding. Other walks during the day will feature fall wildflowers, mushrooms, and animal tracking. A Geology Hike and Cave Crawl will be hosted mid-afternoon by Jeremy Stout, the parks' Naturalist. Space is limited for this program and does require pre-registration.

There will be ongoing exhibits and activities from 10 AM to 2 PM on Saturday. Some of those activities include Skins and Skulls, Bugs with Eric Smith, exhibits by the Gray Fossil Site and Hands On Museum, Fossil Casing with Mick Whitelaw, Birds of Prey with Bays Mountain, Fossils with J.R. Arnold, Nature Crafts with Friends of Steele Creek Nature Center and Park and the Bristol Bird Club. Check-in for all activities will be at the Steele Creek Park Lodge.

For more information contact the Nature Center at (423)989-5616. Bring your own lunch and enjoy the beauty of Bristol's Steele Creek Park.

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