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Cradle of Forestry in America Historic Site

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Who: **Bug Day at the Cradle**

What: **Activities and programs**

Where: Cradle of Forestry in America Historic Site

When: Saturday, June 10, 2006

Price: Admission to the Cradle of Forestry is \$5.00 for ages 16 and older. Youth 15

and under and Golden Age, Golden Access, and Golden Eagle Passport

holders are admitted free.

Website: www.cradleofforestry.org

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Bug Day at the Cradle of Forestry

Pisgah National Forest, NC . . . The Cradle of Forestry Historic Site invites kids of all ages to come learn about the bugs of Pisgah National Forest on Saturday, June 10th from 11:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. This event will be held in and around the Forest Discovery Center at the Cradle of Forestry. Activities include a hands-on table, guided bug hunts, bug activities and a program on the hemlock woolly adelgid.

At 11:00 a.m. and again at 3:00 p.m. visitors may go on a guided bug hunt with a ranger. This will be a hike out into the woods and streams around the Cradle of Forestry to hunt for bugs in their natural habitat. At 1:00 p.m. Wess Klunk from Clemson University will present a power point program on the hemlock woolly adelgid and what is being done to combat it. Throughout the day visitors can stop by the "Bug Table" and meet creepy crawling bugs up close and personal at a hands-on bug display.

Admission to the Cradle of Forestry is \$5.00 for adults and free for youth under 16 years of age and holders of Golden Eagle, Golden Age and Golden Access Passports. Admission includes an 18-minute film, the Forest Discovery Center with 15 hands-on exhibits, a scavenger hunt, a firefighting helicopter simulator, historic cabins and antique equipment on two paved trails, living history interpreters and a 1915 Climax logging locomotive. The Cradle of Forestry is located on Hwy. 276 in the Pisgah National Forest, six miles north of Looking Glass Falls and four miles south of the Blue Ridge Parkway. For more information call 828-877-3130 or go to www.cradleofforestry.org.