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Eagle Days at Smithville Lake

SMITHVILLE, Mo. – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Clay County Department of Parks and Recreation and Missouri Department of Conservation invites the public to Eagle Days at Smithville Lake in Smithville, Mo., Jan. 10 and 11.

The two-day event will be highlighted by live eagle programs by Operation Wildlife on Saturday beginning at 9:30 a.m. and will be held at the Paradise Point Golf Course Complex in Little Platte Park. Kids crafts and other vendors will be available Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Sunday from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Eagle viewing stations will be set up with spotting scopes in the waterfowl refuge. Busses will run between Paradise Point Golf Course and the waterfowl refuge to transport people to and from the golf course and the viewing station. Agency personnel will be available to help visitor's view live eagles in the wild.

The event is free, but seating is limited to 175 people per show. For questions about Eagle Days at Smithville Lake, please contact the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at the Jerry Litton Visitor Center by calling (816) 532-0174. Anyone there can assist you.

The schedule of activities and locations are as follows:

Live Eagle Program:

9:30 a.m. (Saturday only) 11:00 a.m. (Saturday and Sunday) 12:30 p.m. (Saturday and Sunday) 2:00 p.m. (Saturday and Sunday)

Information booths and displays will be available from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Viewing of eagles on the lake will take place between 10:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

Telescopes will be set up at the best viewing areas on the lake, and conservation agents, Clay County park rangers and federal park rangers will be available to assist visitors. Cameras, binoculars and scopes are welcome. The Corps advises visitors to dress appropriately for outside viewing.

Paradise Point Golf Course Complex is located at 18212 Golf Course Road, Smithville, MO 64089