



Spring Planting Day Festival Saturday, April 28, 2012

Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area will be hosting its Twelfth Annual Spring Planting Day on Saturday, April 28, 2012 at Bandy Creek and the Lora Blevins homeplace. Celebrate the heritage of farming life on the Cumberland Plateau with a planting day festival. Come join park neighbors, volunteers and park staff as they demonstrate the many skills and tools that were once so commonplace here on the plateau and important to a subsistence farming community.



Featured Events

- Draft horse and mule drawn plowing demonstrations.
- Gardening, herb lore, wood working, blacksmithing, basket weaving, hand spinning and lye soap making.
- Farm animal petting zoo for children. Junior Ranger activity booklet.
- Craft demonstrators and sales of traditional items.
- Displays of women's life, planting and old wood-working tools, along with historical photographs of past residents of the area.
- Antique tractor and farm equipment display. If you have equipment dated from the 1930s through the 1960s and would like to participate, please call for details.
- Music presented by the Knoxville Area Dulcimer Club.

The event will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time. Everyone is invited to attend this free event. Food will be available for purchase from a vendor or bring your picnic lunch and enjoy the day. For further information call (423) 286-7275.