

Snow Searchers,

Here's an opportunity to get out for a remarkably scenic local hike in West Springfield.

Join fellow Snow Searchers for an Autumn walk at the **Hidden Pond Nature Center** in Springfield, Virginia. We will divide into small groups and walk with mask on to be safe.

Behind the Nature Center is **Pohick Creek Stream Valley Park**. The area has many trails, so that you can pick your own distance to hike. The full loop goes through a forest area and then follows Pohick Creek back to the nature center. The total distance is 2.5 miles. A shorter loop of about 1.5 miles can also be made. Or a short walk can be taken by following the creek for whatever distance you would like and then turning back to the start. See <https://www.alltrails.com/trail/us/virginia/hidden-pond> for a map and photos and comments from other hikers.

Those who wish to bring a picnic lunch can socialize after the hike. We have found several areas where social distancing can be done. We will pick a spot depending on the number of participants and which areas are open.

Date: Saturday October 3, 2020

Time: 10:30 am

**Place: Hidden Pond Nature Center
8511 Greeley Blvd
Springfield, VA 22152**

Meet at the lawn in front of the Nature Center.

Please RSVP to Mary Hubbard

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More details will follow once the RSVP's are received.