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Scenic Overlook, Gambrill State Park

FRIENDS OF CUNNINGHAM FALLS AND GAMBRILL STATE PARKS

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Friends of Cunningham Falls and Gambrill State Parks

Friends of Cunningham Falls and Gambrill State Parks, Inc. is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization. Our Mission is to support and enhance the programs and recreational offerings of Cunningham Falls and Gambrill State Parks through charitable contributions and in-kind donations.

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Please Donate to Help our Parks.

From the desk of 'The Friends' President



Carol Abraham Burger

Dear Members and Supporters,

Spring has finally arrived, and what a season it promises to be! We are thrilled to share some exciting updates with you as we step into this beautiful time of year, and as always, express our gratitude for your continued support in helping us preserve and enhance Cunningham Falls and Gambrill State Parks.

First and foremost, we celebrated a record-breaking 54th Annual Maple Syrup Festival this spring, bringing together our community and visitors from near and far to enjoy the sweet taste of the season. It was a wonderful event, and we thank everyone who attended, volunteered, and contributed to its success!

You will not want to miss this newsletter's featured article, "There are Heroes Among Us", written by Chris Patterson. It tells the heart-pounding story of a truly heroic rescue performed by a father and his 9-year-old son—an inspiring testament to bravery and quick thinking. I am certain you will be both astounded and amazed by their story.

In another exciting development, we're proud to announce the expansion of the Lady Slipper Trail at Houck. This newly expanded hiking trail promises to offer even more opportunities for outdoor exploration and enjoyment. If you love the beauty of nature and the peace of our parks, this is a must-visit spot this spring.

Looking ahead, we're launching a new initiative that will help keep our trails in top condition. The Trail Club will meet quarterly throughout the year, starting with our first gathering at the Red Run Trail at Gambrill State Park. This group will be responsible for performing much-needed trail maintenance under the guidance of Park Management and PATC Leader, Peter Minderman, Jr. We hope you will join us for this exciting new venture and help us keep our trails beautiful for all to enjoy.

This spring, CHS has once again been busy lending a hand to our park staff. Members from the Conservation Club recently helped volunteer, Anne Kerns and Lead Ranger, Claugia Padilla, plant trees further enhancing the natural beauty of the parks. Additionally, a big thank you to the Thurmont Girl Scouts, who generously volunteered their time to tie-dye t-shirts for our Maple Syrup Festival—what a fun, colorful contribution!

We are also thrilled to announce a new addition to our park's safety and recreation resources. The Friends of Cunningham Falls and Gambrill State Park proudly purchased a brand new boat, motor, and trailer for Big Hunting Creek Lake. This new equipment will significantly enhance the safety and enjoyment of our park-goers. Additionally, we have made an investment in tools for trail maintenance along with a new trailer, ensuring that our beloved parks remain well-kept for generations to come.

Finally, don't miss Emma Ford's article on Camping in the Mountains, which offers great tips and insights on how to make the most of a camping trip in our beautiful parks. Whether you're a seasoned camper or a first-timer, her article is a must-read!

As we welcome Spring 2025, we're reminded of the incredible community we have here at the Friends of Cunningham Falls and Gambrill State Park. Your support allows us to continue making strides in preserving, protecting, and enhancing the parks we all love. Thank you for being part of this journey with us!

Wishing you all a beautiful and adventurous spring season!

email: president@cunninghamgambrill.org

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 2025

Maryland State Park Week: April 21-25.

Earth Day: April 22.

May 2025

Artist In Residency: May 10, Cunningham Falls SP, Manor Area Visitor's Center.

Maryland Iron Festival: May 17-18, Catoctin Iron Furnace.

June/July 2025

National Trails Day: June 7.

Movie Under The Stars: June 13, 'Friday the 13th' Gambrill SP.

Free fishing Days In Maryland: June 7 & 14, July 4.

September 2025

Catoctin Living History Festival: September 11-14.

National Public Lands Day: September 27.

October 2025

Fall Fest: October 10-11, Catoctin Iron Furnace.

Fall Hayrides In The Park w/Smores: October 11 & 12, Cunningham Falls SP.

Spirits of the Furnace: October 18, Catoctin Iron Furnace.

Movie Under The Stars: 'Cabin In The Woods', October 25, Gambrill SP.

November 2025

10K/5K Race, Run/Walk: November 2, Cunningham Falls SP. Register now.

December 2025

Traditional Village Christmas: December 6, Catoctin Iron Furnace.

The Westminster Astronomical Society will have solar and night viewings of the sky @ Cunningham Falls SP, the 1st Saturday of every month throughout the summer.

‘There Are Heroes Among Us’

Father and Son Rescue Struggling Kayaker at Cunningham Falls State Park



Thurmont, MD -A father and son's last-minute decision to go fishing at Cunningham Falls State Park last May led to a life-changing moment for them and a drowning kayaker.

As Jason Fullen and his then 9-year-old son, Campbell were putting their boat out onto Hunting Creek Lake on May 31, 2024, Jason saw a group of kayakers also pushing off onto the lake. The last kayaker of the group suddenly tipped over and came up struggling to keep his head above water. None of the other kayakers noticed what was happening. The man did not have a life jacket on and was struggling to stay above water. After trying to get his boat to the man, Jason knew quickly that the kayaker would not stay above water long enough to get the boat to him.

As the kayaker was under the water more and more, Jason knew he could swim much faster than they could move the boat. Jason's mind raced as he decided what to do next. "My dad can swim really fast," Campbell said enthusiastically as the father and son team shared their life changing story.

Swimming as fast as he could, Jason went to the drowning kayaker who by now, was delirious and mostly under water. He swam behind the struggling man, grabbing hold from the back and began the rescue swim with him to another approaching boat.

Jason grabbed the side of the boat while holding onto the man, who was barely conscience. A person in the towing boat was able to latch onto the Fullen's boat with Campbell inside and they began the trek to the shore. As Campbell watched the harrowing scene, he admitted he was a little scared. Despite that, he did everything he needed to do to help his dad, and tried to stay calm.

Jason instructed Campbell to stay in the boat, keep his life jacket on and remain in the rear of the boat for safety. After it was over, Campbell admitted he cried a bit, but his bravery and cool head during the rescue was applauded by his father and the emergency personnel who were on the shore along with Life Guards and Rangers.

The quickly arriving rescue services from Thurmont took over with the kayaker, who was starting to become more conscious as they arrived.

Telling their story, Jason said he and Campbell were originally considering another location to go fishing but decided at the last minute to come to Hunting Creek Lake.

"It was just a last minute decision to go there. I guess we were just supposed to be there," Jason said. "God just scheduled that for us."

The Fullen family's unexpected visit to Cunningham Falls turned into a powerful reminder of how an ordinary day can become extraordinary through the bravery and selflessness of everyday people.

Jason Fullen received the Maryland Park Service's award of Highest Honor: 'The Valor Award' presented by Park Manager, Mark Spurrier, October 2024.



**(l-r) by Christine Patterson
and Carol Burger, Board Members**

Thank you to our supporters!

Your generosity and support of park events has helped raise vital funds needed to support our parks.

We couldn't be more grateful!

Sincerely, The Friends of Cunningham Falls and Gambrill State Parks.

A 501(c)3 non-profit organization.



Pictured with the new Boat, Motor and Trailer are Rangers Tommy Schlauch and Carson DeLauter.



Tom Cavey
Maintenance Supervisor
Picking up the new
Boat, Motor and Trailer.



Brand new trailer for The Trail Club!
Pictured is Ranger Tommy Schlauch picking up the new Trailer.

Meet Seasonal Ranger Carson DeLauter



By Friend Emma Ford



About Carson DeLauter

Carson is one of the Seasonal Rangers at Cunningham Falls and Gambrill State Parks! He has been a Seasonal Ranger with the parks for 3 years.

His favorite part of the job is being able to teach people the importance of Natural Resources and what they can do to help keep our parks clean and safe for future generations.

A place in the parks Carson believes campers and visitors should check out is the Nature Center and spend time learning about different flora and fauna. There is a lot to learn and the volunteers that run the Nature Center know how to make it a fun and informative experience.

Meet Seasonal Ranger Ben Gantz



By Friend Emma Ford



About Ben Gantz

Ben is one of the Seasonal Rangers at Cunningham Falls and Gambrill State Parks! He has been a Seasonal Ranger with the parks for 2 years.

Ben had a few words to share with the readers, "I have always had a passion for natural resources and the outdoors. I have a particular interest in wildlife and have spent much time studying them as well as other subjects like tree identification. My position as a seasonal ranger with the Maryland Park Service has allowed me to help conserve and manage the many resources at Cunningham Falls and Gambrill State Parks. The Park Service has also allowed me to develop my skills in public service. I enjoy interacting with and assisting the public with oftentimes being able to help them enjoy the parks. I like visiting other state parks as well and enjoy taking road trips to different public lands including national parks, wildlife management areas, and national wildlife refuges. Other activities I'm involved with include birdwatching, fishing, and hiking."

His favorite part about the job is working outdoors and conserving as well as helping visitors enjoy the resources of the parks. An area of the park Ben would recommend campers to check out this summer is the new section of the Lady's Slipper Trail. This trail leads from the amphitheater down to the camp store and allows hiking on a different part of the mountain where the William Houck campground is located.

Meet Camp Hosts: *Joe and Lisa Harold*



By Friend Emma Ford



About Joe and Lisa Harold

Joe and Lisa have been full time RVers since the fall of 2020. After spending their first winter in Florida and other southern states, they secured a gig as Camp Hosts at the Cunningham Falls State Park Manor area, Interviewing by video from Florida.

They thought that this would be a one time adventure, but their love of the small patch of forest at the foot of Bob's Hill has kept them coming back. This will be their fifth season as Camp Hosts.

The things they love about Camp Hosting is the relaxed pace of life, spending a lot of time outdoors, meeting interesting people and being part of a team that supports the Maryland State Parks system. Being able to watch the forest transform throughout the different seasons is an added bonus of living in camp for multiple months.

With all the different programs that are offered in the Park, there is always something for a camper to do. Their vast knowledge of the multitude of hiking trails in the area provide a good resource for the trekkers in camp.

Maryland Iron Festival @ Catoctin Furnace

YOU'RE INVITED!

Maryland Iron Festival at Catoctin Furnace
May 17-18, 2025 | Free Admission

Celebrate Frederick County's history as an early center for iron making at this festival in the historic village of Catoctin Furnace. The Maryland Iron Festival is hosted by the Catoctin Furnace Historical Society and features blacksmithing demonstrations, live music, vendors, and food trucks. This FREE festival will also include a maker's market, guided garden and trail tours, a plein air art show, archeology presentations, and a live iron pour.

Festival Hours:

Saturday 10AM to 6PM

Sunday 10AM to 4PM

A Note On Accessibility:

The structures are close together with unpaved trails and grass surfaces surrounding the majority of the buildings. The Museum of the Ironworker is ADA accessible. A portable ramp to the Collier's Log House is available for access.

The African American Cemetery Interpretive Trail is ADA compliant; however, certain access points are not. If you have questions or concerns please call 240-288-7396 or email info@catoctinfurnace.org to discuss prior to your visit.

Parking Information

Festival goers must park at the Manor Area of Cunningham Falls State Park

Address: 6709 Cunningham Falls Park Road,
Thurmont, MD 21788

Park rangers will direct visitors to the parking lots.

Use shuttle service, ADA and wheelchair compliant, (running on a loop from the Manor Parking Lot to and from the Furnace Green) or hike the Iron Trail (1/4 mile and 40 steep steps over Route 15) to access the festival.

<https://catoctinfurnace.org/mif/>



Friends 10k/5k Race and Fun Run-Walk

Cunningham Falls State Park
Thurmont, MD 21788

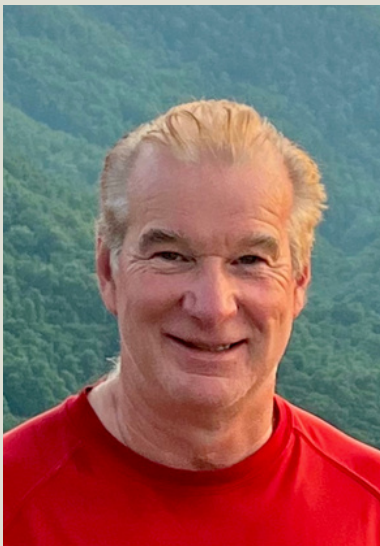
Sunday November 2, 2025
9am-11am

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

CLICK TO REGISTER:

[HTTPS://RUNSIGNUP.COM/RACE/MD/THURMONT/FRIENDS10K5K](https://runsignup.com/race/md/thurmont/friends10k5k)

Or use the QR Code:



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Past President
Volunteer Ranger
Race Event Lead
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Proceeds benefit the 501(c)3 non-profit organization:
Friends of Cunningham Falls and Gambrill State Parks
www.cunninghamgambrill.org

Summer Outdoor Movie Night @ Gambrill State Park Original “Friday the 13th”

**YOU'RE
INVITED**



Friends Board Member
Past President
Event Lead: James Baker

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and Gambrill State Parks
is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization.
Should you or your company wish
to donate:

www.cunninghamgambrill.org

Enjoy a fun scary movie night at Gambrill State Park's Rock Run Pond with The Friends of Cunningham Falls and Gambrill State Parks.

The Friends will host a scary classic – the original Friday the 13th. Rated R. Attendees should bring water, bug repellent, chairs, and be prepared for terror...

A group of teenage camp counselors attempt to re-open an abandoned summer camp with a tragic past, but they are stalked by a mysterious, relentless killer.

EVENT INFORMATION

Where: Rock Run Pond Gambrill State Park, 8602 Gambrill Park Rd, Frederick, MD

Who: Rated R

Date/Time: Friday, June 27, 2025 @ 8:30PM - 10:05PM

Ticket Prices: Free

Popcorn provided.





WESTMINSTER ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY

@CUNNINGHAM FALLS STATE PARK

Solar Viewing

Explore Earth's closest star, the Sun @ South Beach Parking Lot
14274 William Houck Dr. Thurmont MD

First Saturday of every month

May 3, June 7, July 5, August 2, September 6, October 4

Time: 2-5 PM

Night Sky

View constellations and planets @ the Dam Overlook Parking Lot
14372 Catoctin Hollow Rd. Thurmont MD

First Saturday of every month

May 3, June 7, July 5, August 2 from 9-11 PM

September 6, October 4 from 8-10 PM

EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND WEATHER DEPENDANT.
RAIN AND CLOUDS CANCEL THE EVENT.
VISIT WESTMINSTERASTRO.ORG FOR UPDATES AND DETAILS.
QUESTIONS? CALL THE PARK AT 301-271-7574



The mission of the Catoclin Forest Alliance is to preserve and promote the health of the Catoclin Mountain forest for the benefit and enjoyment of present and future generations.

Visit the CFA website www.catoclinforestalliance.org to find out more.

An Artist in Residence Mother's Day Event

Held at the Visitor's Center
Cunningham Falls State Park, Manor Area
6709 Cunningham Falls Park Rd, Thurmont, MD 21788

Saturday May 10, 2025
10:00am-4:00pm



Event to encourage families to experience the resources they have in Cunningham Falls State Park and the surrounding areas. Artwork, from the CFA Artist in Residence program, will be displayed.

The event is free but any donation to the CFA Youth Group programs will be graciously accepted and appreciated. Information about youth group programs and more can be found on the CFA website at catoclinforestalliance.org

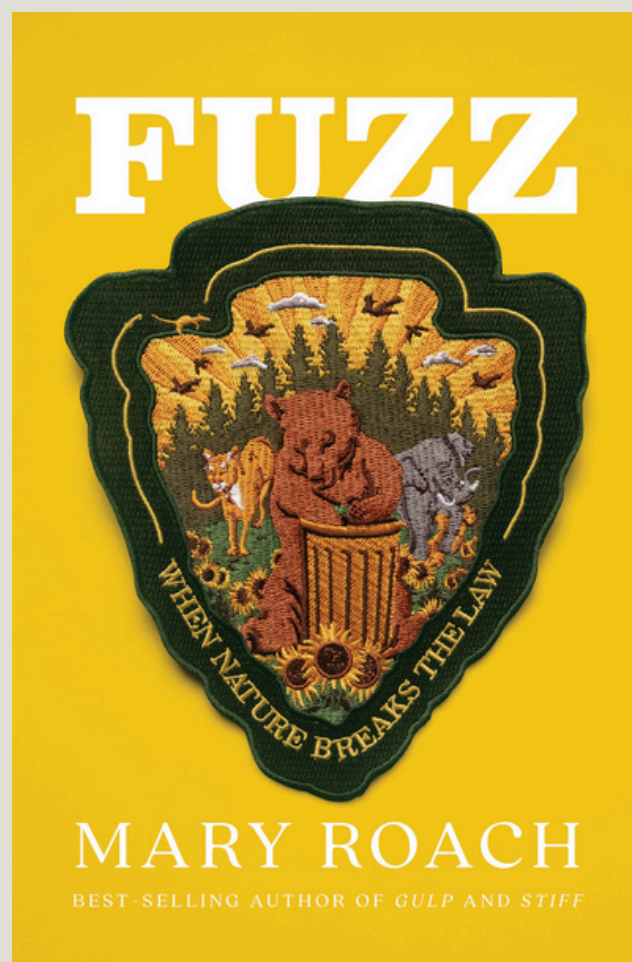
Please join us, have fun, relax, and enjoy the beauty of Cunningham Falls State Park Manor Area on Saturday, May 10, 2025 (Saturday prior to Mother's Day). Hope to see you there!



BOOK REVIEW



by Erin Gambrill
Frederick County Public Library
and
Friends Board Member
Friends Secretary



This book is recommended for adults.

Fuzz: When Nature Breaks the Law by Mary Roach (2021)

What's to be done about a moose wandering off-trail? A bear raiding a campsite? A fallen tree blocking a trail, creating a hazard for hikers? In another world, these incidents might have led to a trial in a court of law, with the animals assigned legal representation. These answers, however, are found not in courts, but in the science of human-wildlife interactions—a field that explores the balance between nature and our growing network of state parks.

In this exploration, Roach accompanies park rangers, wildlife biologists, and conservation specialists who deal with all kinds of conflicts in the great outdoors. She journeys from bear-heavy forests in the Pacific Northwest to the high-altitude trails of the Sierra Nevada, where the real challenges lie not just in managing wildlife, but also in keeping visitors safe. Along the way, Roach dives into the quirky world of wildlife management—installing motion-detecting cameras, setting up bear-safe food storage, and even experimenting with non-lethal deterrents like predator urine.

Blending the obscure science of conservation with stories of park rangers, wildlife experts, and innovative solutions—from sonic bear deterrents to tree-falling tactics—Roach reveals how our encroachment on nature's habitat often leads to conflicts, but also highlights the ingenuity that can help solve these problems. Through her engaging and often humorous journey, Roach reminds us that in our shared spaces, wildlife is often not the problem, but more a reflection of our own impact.

With wit, compassion, and hope for better coexistence, Fuzz offers a fresh perspective on how we can better manage our national and state parks, balancing human activity with the needs of the creatures who call these places home.

CHECK IT OUT

BOOK REVIEW



by Erin Gambrill
Frederick County Public Library
and
Friends Board Member
Friends Secretary



This book is recommended for ages 9-12.

The Firefly Summer by Morgan Matson (2023)

For as long as Ryanna Stuart can remember, her summers have been spent in the quiet company of her father and his new wife—predictable, structured, and always just the three of them. But this summer promises something different. She's received an unexpected letter from her grandparents, with whom she and her father have had no contact since her mother's death. They're inviting her to spend the summer at an old camp in the Poconos.

Curious and eager to learn more about her mother's past, Ryanna agrees. She hopes to uncover the reasons behind her father's estrangement from his parents and perhaps discover fragments of her mother's life. She even looks forward to the calm of a lakeside retreat. But what awaits her is far from the quiet solitude she imagined. Instead, Ryanna is thrust into a whirlwind of relatives—uncles, aunts, cousins, and a colorful array of eccentric adults, each with their own stories and memories of her mother from when she was Ryanna's age. These connections offer cryptic clues to the past, like pieces of a forgotten puzzle.

To her surprise, Ryanna also finds a real treasure map—one that leads her to more than just hidden riches. Through laughter, adventure, and the occasional s'more, she unravels the mystery of a decades-old family secret. In the process, Ryanna discovers not just the truth about her mother, but a side of herself she never knew existed.

In this unforgettable story, Ryanna learns that sometimes the last place you expect to find yourself is exactly where you're meant to be.

CHECK IT OUT

Thurmont Girl Scouts Troop 37167 Tie-Dyed T-Shirts for the Maple Syrup Festival

THANK
YOU

Troop and Leaders
Chelsey Smith
and
Ashley Abel



RED MAPLE TREE PLANTING @ CUNNINGHAM FALLS STATE PARK (SOUTH BEACH) WITH CATOCTIN HIGH SCHOOL CONSERVATION CLUB



**Project led by
Volunteer Anne Kerns,
Claudia Padilla, Lead
Ranger and
Brian Brotherton,
Conservation Club,
CHS.**

**L-R, Brian Brotherton, CHS Science Teacher,
CHS Seniors, Conservation Club members:
Alayna Kelly, Katelyn Bell.**

**THANK
YOU!**



L-R, Katelyn Bell, Alayna Kelly.

The Catoctin High School Conservation Club advocates for sustainability within the school, county, and state. We are responsible for maintaining our school's green school status and we often partner with local groups to help them achieve their goals. We've implemented composting and sustainable packaging in our cafeteria, taught lessons on waste and consumerism, have received numerous grants for tree planting and gardening, and students have spoken to policy makers from schoolboards to the MD statehouse.

Mr. Brian Brotherton, Science Teacher, CHS.

Fishing Derby @ Gambrill Rock Run Pond

Event Rangers: Tommy Schlauch and Ben Gantz



Camping in the Mountains



Hidden away in the Catoclin Mountains of Thurmont, MD are the beautiful **Cunningham Falls and Gambrill State Parks!** Each park is filled with different activities, nature, trails, and especially camping! In this article, I will be highlighting each campground, their amenities, and how to make your next reservation!

Cunningham Falls State Park has two different camping areas, the William Houck Area off of Route 77 and the **Manor Area** off of US 15. The William Houck Area is where you are going to find five different camping loops and each one is different from the next!

Addison Run is a fully electrical loop which is great for campers who like to bring their RV's or would like some electricity while camping in tents. Most sites can hold up to forty foot trailers or a tent and can hold two passenger vehicles. There is a lot of shade, thanks to all the trees, and it's even pet friendly! Each camping pad comes with a picnic table and a fire pit/grill so you can get to cooking those home cooked meals while being out in nature. In the middle of the loop, there is a bathhouse available and a dishwashing station to wash your dishes.



by **Emma Ford**
Friends Member and Volunteer

Bear Branch and Catoclin Creek are just across the road from Addison Run. They are traditional camping loops so that means there is no electricity. They have an array of camping spots that are in the sun, have partial shade, or full shade. Each camping pad comes with a picnic table and a fire pit/grill, can hold two passenger vehicles, and both loops are pet friendly as well! In the middle of the loop, there is a bathhouse available and a dishwashing station to wash your dishes.

Deer Spring and Elderberry are up the road a bit farther from the first three loops and both loops have a great amount of shade for each site. Deer Spring is a catch all with a mixture of both electrical and traditional camping sites.

The electrical sites are on the tail end of the loop while the traditional sites fill the rest of the loop.

In Elderberry, you'll find traditional sites and the six person mini-cabins. The mini-cabins are your nice little home away from home. They come with a bench outside on the porch, a table and four chairs, a couch that can be flattened out into a 2 person bed, a bunk bed set, and a master bed. Along with that, the cabins do have some electricity for lights and an AC unit, though do note there is no running water. Each camping pad and cabin comes with a picnic table and a fire pit/grill, and can hold two passenger vehicles, though these two loops are not pet friendly. In the middle of the loop, there is a bathhouse available and a dishwashing station to wash your dishes.

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Camping in the Mountains



View from the Nature Center @ Cunningham Falls Houck Area.

The Manor Area, off of US 15, is home to the Manor camping loop and has a mixture of electrical and traditional sites, though these electrical sites can only hold up to thirty foot trailers. Each camping pad comes with a picnic table and a fire pit/grill, and can hold two passenger vehicles. The entire loop is pet friendly. In the middle of the loop, there is a bathhouse available and a dishwashing station to wash your dishes.



by Emma Ford
Friends Member and Volunteer

Camping in the Mountains

Cunningham Falls SP William Houck Area Campground

Cunningham Falls SP Manor Area Campground

Gambrill SP Rock Run Campground

Gambrill State Park, is located off of Route 40 and is home to the **Rock Run Campground**. The campground has a mixture of electrical, traditional, and four person mini-cabins. For the electrical sites, this campground can only hold thirty foot trailers. The mini-cabins can hold up to four people and come with a bunk bed set, a master bed, and electricity for lights and AC. All sites are pet friendly, except for cabins four, five, and six. Cabin eighteen is pet friendly. Each camping pad and mini-cabin comes with a picnic table and a fire pit/grill, and can hold two, passenger vehicles. The entire loop is pet friendly. In the middle of the loop, there is a bathhouse available and a dishwashing station to wash your dishes.

Some other amenities that the campgrounds offer are water supply and dump stations. Each camping loop has around two to three water spigots that have potable water. This can be used to replenish your RV's water tank. You can cook with this water too. The William Houck Area and the Rock Run Area have dump stations so RVs can empty their tanks. If you are camping with us, you can use it for free. for people passing through, the cost is only \$5.00.



by Emma Ford
Friends Member and Volunteer

Cunningham Falls State Park (includes both the William Houck Area campground and Manor Area campground) and Gambrill State Park (Rock Run Campground)

have some great camping for the whole family!

To make reservations follow the link:
www.parkreservations.maryland.gov

or
scan the QR Code:



RESERVATIONS CAN BE MADE A YEAR IN ADVANCE TO THE DATE.

Camping season starts the second weekend of April and ends the last weekend of October for Rock Run and William Houck Areas.

The Manor area is open year-round for camping.

If you would like to see the campsites in person, please stop by the Camp Office in the William Houck Area Sunday afternoon to Friday morning. Feel free to drive through the Manor Area and Gambrill any time you like!

For more information please follow either link:

[Cunningham Falls State Park DNR](#)

[Gambrill State Park DNR](#)

or scan the QR Code:

Hope to see you in the Catoclin Mountains!





Awesome
MEMORIES FROM THE
54TH ANNUAL
MAPLE SYRUP FESTIVAL

**Inside the 54th Annual Maple Syrup Festival @
Cunningham Falls State Park~
We'll take you there...March 8, 9, 15, 16, 2025.**



**The Friends of Cunningham Falls and Gambrill State Parks
wish to thank everyone who helped make the festival a success in 2025!**

**THANK
YOU**



Cunningham Falls State Park, Hunting Creek Lake



The Lakeside Grill where lots of pancakes were made.



**Sap Boiling
Demonstrations
@ The Sugar Shack**



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DJ Tom Whalen
and
Janine Weiger



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REAL SOON!

"I had a Sweet Time at Cunningham Falls!"



Cunningham Falls State Park
Maple Syrup Festival
Thurmont, Maryland

THE PARKS NEED YOU!

Your donations help us to provide Vet care for the birds and reptiles in the Scales and Tails Aviary, and to continue making strides in preserving, protecting and enhancing the parks we all love.

Link to donate to the Parks:
www.cunninghamgambrill.org

Questions? Email us: info@cunninghamgambrill.org

Please Donate



***Become a part of
'The Friends of
CFGSPs'!***

Thank you!

***We value and
appreciate you and
hope to see you
soon!***

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quarterly newsletter, or to
volunteer in the parks, email:
info@cunninghamgambrill.org**

**Facebook:
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