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**Springtime activities for the whole family at The Hermitage**

*Family Fun Day and Yappy Hour kick off on Saturday*

**NASHVILLE, Tenn. (April 25, 2019)** – Andrew Jackson's Hermitage is offering great options for family fun this weekend.. The presidential home will host two programs, Family Fun Day and Yappy Hour, this Saturday.

Spring means growth and new educational opportunities from the Hermitage Garden. From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. during Family Fun Day, children will be able to plant herbs to take home and watch grow. There will be garden pots to paint – just in time for Mother's Day. Guests will also see how The Hermitage plants its crops using a horse-drawn plow while learning about Tennessee's crop seasons. Family Fun Day is included with general admission to The Hermitage. Other Family Fun Days are scheduled for May 18 and June 15.

Stick around after hours from 4 to 8 p.m. for Yappy Hour, when the lawn of The Hermitage turns into one of the largest dog parks in the area. Exclusive canine photo shoots on the mansion lawn with WJ Photography will be available for purchase, along with dog-friendly food treats courtesy of [Nom Noms Dog Treats](#) and human food and beer options from Nashville's local food trucks. Local acoustic musicians will complete the ambiance of this exclusive evening at the president's house. Yappy Hour kicks off the Dog Days series, which runs the last Saturday of each month, May through November. During Dog Days, dogs and their owners can walk the grounds of The Hermitage, hike the trails and enjoy the preserved natural surroundings and historic 19<sup>th</sup>-century buildings that are on-site. Yappy Hour tickets are \$15 for Hermitage members and \$20 for non-members.

The historic and scenic beauty of The Hermitage completely shifts when the seasons change and sun sets," said Howard J. Kittell, the president and CEO of Andrew Jackson's Hermitage. "Whether you're here during the day with your family or after hours with your favorite four-legged canine, The Hermitage has something everyone can appreciate and find beauty in."

More information about Family Fun Day and Yappy Hour can be found here:

<https://thehermitage.com/events/>

Ticket information for Yappy Hour can be found here:

<https://thehermitage.com/event/hermitage-yappy-hour/>

### **About Andrew Jackson's Hermitage**

Andrew Jackson's Hermitage: Home of the People's President is one of the largest, most well-preserved and most visited presidential homes in the United States. Opened to the public in 1889, The Hermitage is one of America's first presidential museums. Today, The Hermitage is a 1,120-acre National Historic Landmark with more than 20 historic buildings, including Jackson's mansion and tomb, restored slave cabins, a church and gardens. In recent years, new interpretive initiatives and educational programs, such as the history of slavery, have enhanced the experience of nearly 230,000 annual visitors. For more information, visit [www.thehermitage.com](http://www.thehermitage.com).

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