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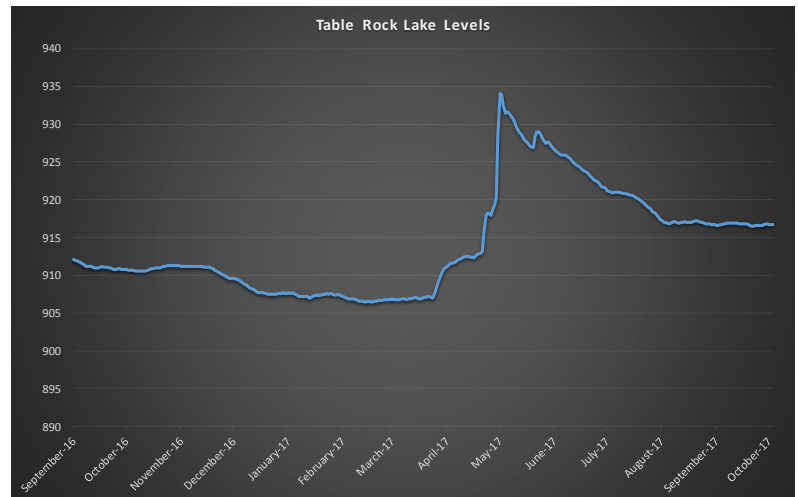
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Table Rock Lake

Lake Level Update

Lately, we've started getting quite a few questions about the lake levels.

We've heard that it's still high and we've had concerns that it's low. The truth is it's right where it is supposed to be for this time of year. Seasonal conservation pool is 917 feet above mean sea level and today we are at 916.68.



The diagram shows Table Rock Lake Levels from September 1, 2016 to October 1, 2017. A couple of fun facts... The lake is now approximately 6 feet higher than this time in 2016 and 10 feet higher than mid-February of 2017. However, it is almost 18 feet lower than its 2017 peak of 934.5.

Night at the Museum Returns

After a successful debut in 2016, the Night at the Museum event will return on November 3 at 7 pm. Come to the visitor center for a special evening of family-friendly programming.

Explore the visitor center exhibits and grounds after dark. Participate in programs and activities about nocturnal animals. Finish the evening around a campfire on the bluff overlooking Table Rock Lake and Dam. Participants are encouraged to wear sturdy footwear, bring flashlights, and pack a blanket or chairs for the campfire.

The event is free, but registration is required. To register call 501-340-1933 by 3 pm on November 2. In case of rain, the activities may be moved inside. This event is expected to last 2 hours, but visitors can come and go. It is open to all ages.





Collard Lizard

***"I cannot endure
to waste
anything so
precious as
autumnal
sunshine by
staying in the
house."***

***— Nathaniel
Hawthorne, The
American Notebooks***

Common Buckeye on
Aster

October Programs and Events at Dewey Short Visitor Center

The US Army Corps of Engineers will be offering the following interpretive programs and events at Dewey Short Visitor Center during the month of October. All programs are free of charge. Registration is required only for the Night at the Museum event. No registration is required for other programs

Wild Things in the Ozarks will be offered at 1 pm on October 1st, 8th, 9th, 17th, 21st, 22nd and 27th. Join a ranger for this fascinating program on the animals, birds, snakes, and insects found in the wild Ozarks. We will talk about where they live, what they do, and how they survive. The program will last 30-45 minutes and is appropriate for all ages.

Table Rock Dam Talk will be offered at 1 pm on October 2nd, 10th, 20th, 28th, and 29th. Seen the movie but have more questions? Want to know more facts and figures? Confused about how something works? Then join us for a talk about the building and operating of Table Rock Dam and find the answers to those elusive questions. This program will last 30-45 minutes and is appropriate for all ages.

Nature Tales will be offered at 10:30 on October 3rd, 12th, 18th, and 31st. It's time for fun and education as we read a nature themed story in our reading area. After the story we will have a special activity. This program will last 20-40 minutes and designed for ages 3-7.

A Fall Garden Tour will be offered on October 4th at 11 am. Take a walk as we talk about our native landscaping and the flowers, trees, and insects that inhabit the

beds. Learn why we have features such as pollinator beds, bio-swales, and non-invasive plants. This walking tour will last 20-30 minutes and is open to all ages.

Visit with a Park Ranger at the overlook on October 5th at 9 am, October 11th at 1 pm, October 19th at 11 am, and October 26th at 9 am. The ranger will be available to answer questions and point out features of the dam and powerhouse. Visitors can come and go. Meet at the overlook off Hwy 165. Just across the highway/dam from Dewey Short Visitor Center. The ranger will be on-site for 30 minutes and this is appropriate for all ages.

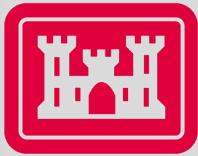
Ranger Walk will be conducted at 10:30 am on October 6th, 14th, 15th, 24th, and 30th. A park ranger will join you on the Lakeshore trail to talk about the plants, animals, insects, birds, and ecology of Table Rock Lake. The trail is an asphalt surface trail that follows the shoreline of Table Rock Lake. Difficulty is easy and we will be walking about ½ - 1 mile total (varies by audience). Meet at the Lakeshore trailhead. This walk lasts 30-40 minutes and is appropriate for all ages.

A presentation on hydropower will be offered at 1 pm on October 5th and 18th. Learn about hydropower and how it is

made by examining construction photos that show the essential components at Table Rock Dam. This program will last 20-30 minutes and is recommended for ages 10 and to adult.



Some programs may be cancelled in inclement weather. For more information or to check the status of a program, please call 501-340-1943.



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October Programs Quick Reference

Date and Time	Topic
October 1 at 1 pm	Wild Things in the Ozarks
October 2 at 1 pm	Table Rock Dam Talk
October 3 at 10:30 am	Nature Tales
October 4 at 11 am	Fall Garden Tour
October 5 at 9 am	Ranger at the Overlook
October 5 at 1 pm	Hydropower
October 8 at 1 pm	Wild Things in the Ozarks
October 9 at 1 pm	Wild Things in the Ozarks
October 10 at 1 pm	Table Rock Dam Talk
October 11 at 1 pm	Ranger at the Overlook
October 12 at 10:30 am	Nature Tales
October 14 at 10:30 am	Ranger Walk
October 15 at 10:30 am	Ranger Walk
October 17 at 1 pm	Wild Things in the Ozarks

Date and Time	Topic
October 18 at 10:30 am	Nature Tales
October 18 at 1 pm	Hydropower
October 19 at 11 am	Ranger at the Overlook
October 20 at 1 pm	Table Rock Dam Talk
October 21 at 1 pm	Wild Things in the Ozarks
October 22 at 1 pm	Wild Things in the Ozarks
October 24 at 10:30 am	Ranger Walk
October 26 at 9 am	Ranger at the Overlook
October 27 at 1 pm	Wild Things in the Ozarks
October 28 at 1 pm	Table Rock Dam Talk
October 29 at 1 pm	Table Rock Dam Talk
October 30 at 10:30 am	Ranger Walk
October 31 at 10:30 am	Nature Tales
November 3 at 7:00 pm	Night at the Museum