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## **Geocache Your Way to the Greenways!** The Amazing County Treasure Hunt May 11, 2013

**Roanoke County, Virginia, April 18, 2013.** Do you have the desire to participate in a treasure hunt? Do you have a partner or a team of friends? Do you have your own GPS or do you need to borrow one of ours? Whatever the circumstance is, you are in luck! On Saturday, May 11, 2013 from 11AM to 3PM starting at Roanoke County's Green Ridge Recreation Center (7415 Wood Haven Rd., Roanoke, VA 24019) the hunt begins. This event is FREE but please pre-register to ensure your spot or arrive at 10AM to register the day of the event and enjoy a social hour to mix and mingle with seasoned Geocachers and fellow team mates.

With a hand-held GPS unit and longitudes and latitudes, a well thought out game plan gets you to the various Greenway sites within Roanoke County. Caches will be at each site and inside each lies your "treasure." The object is to accumulate as many points as possible. You may compete as an individual, family or in teams. We strongly suggest there be two people per car (at least one navigator).

Don't have a GPS or are you unsure on how to operate one? No problem, we will have tutors on site at the event or a geocaching tutorial is available at <u>www.geocaching.com</u>. A limited number of GPS units are available to those who do not bring their own, and a \$150 deposit will be required for their use. The deposit is returned upon the safe return of the GPS unit.

Fantastic prizes have been donated by generous organizations and businesses such as Salem Red Sox, Showtimer's Community Theatre, Splash Valley, Mill Mountan Zoo, O'Winston Link Museum, Vinton War Memorial and many more; however a "fun-tastic" time is your ultimate reward as you take in the beautiful scenery along the County's Greenways. The Amazing Treasure Hunt is an event of Roanoke County Department of Parks, Recreation & Tourism with media support from The Roanoke Star. For more information and complete details call 540-387-6078 ext. 0 or visit <u>www.RoanokeCountyParks.com</u>.