



PIPESTEM RESORT STATE PARK

Nature Center Open Wednesday - Sunday 11:00 am - 5:00 pm

Wednesday, February 5th

10:00 am- It's for the Birds - Stop by the Nature Center to check out the bird feeder area and discuss topics on different types of feeders and foods, tips on identification, and for suggestions about different digital birding media and books. **YPP**

3:00 pm- Mammals of Pipestem - Stop by the Nature Center to learn about some mammals you may encounter in our park. Examine pelts, tracks and other interesting mammal items. **YPP**

4:00 pm- Wildlife Game - Meet at the Nature Center for a quiz game about North American wildlife. **YPP**

Thursday, February 6th

10:30 am- Bird Bingo - Come by the Nature Center for Bird Bingo and learn some interesting bird facts. **YPP**

1:00 pm- Evergreens in Winter - Meet the Naturalist at the Nature Center for a stroll around the grounds and learn how to identify five species of evergreen trees commonly found in West Virginia.

3:00 pm- Nature Journaling - Come by the Nature Center to learn how to express your love of nature through guided worksheets. Make your own take-home journal so you can continue to express your love of nature in your own way. **YPP**

Friday, February 7th

1:00 pm- Tower Walk - Meet in the tower parking lot for a short walk up the paved path to the Bolar Observation Tower for a great view of the surrounding area and find out just what a MOTUS tower is. **YPP**

3:30 pm- Naturalist in the Lodge - Keep an eye out for the roaming Naturalist in the lobby of McKeever Lodge. You can ask questions, receive information about the trails and maps or just visit.

4:00 pm- Snakes of West Virginia - Come by the Nature Center to learn about snakes of West Virginia and have the chance to touch a real live snake. **YPP**

7:00 pm- Storyteller Bil Lepp - Join us in the Faulconer room of McKeever lodge for an evening with The King of the West Virginia Storytellers as he shares his particular point of view on the world that surrounds us every day. Bil Lepp is an award-winning storyteller, author and recording artist. He's the host of the History Channel's Man Vs History series, the occasional host of NPR's internationally syndicated Mountain Stage, and a contributing columnist to the West Virginia Gazette-Mail.

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Saturday, February 8th

10:30 am- Char Cloth and Fire Starting - Meet at the Nature Center to learn how to make char cloth, a very helpful item for starting a fire. Practice your skills making a “bird nest” and using a primitive fire striker.

12:00 pm- Project FeederWatch - Stop by the Nature Center to observe and count the birds at the feeders. We will count the highest number of each species seen at a time. Data collected will be submitted to Project FeederWatch for the Cornell Lab of Ornithology. No experience necessary. **YPP**

4:00 pm- Nature Hunt - Meet at the Nature Center to hunt objects that can be found in nature and receive a prize. **YPP**

Sunday, February 9th

10:00 am- Pipestem History - Stop by the lobby in McKeever Lodge. We will discuss the history of the park, and just what is that when you look at the scenic view across the gorge? Historic pictures from the Pipestem area will be shared.

1:00 pm- Birds and Bugs - Come by the Nature Center to learn about camouflage and adaptation and play a game where you get to be the bird. **YPP**

4:00 pm- Make a Flake - Meet at the Nature Center to cut out paper snowflakes and learn some fun facts about winter weather. You can take your snowflakes home with you or hang them in the windows of the Nature Center for all to enjoy.

Wednesday, February 12th

11:00 am- It's for the Birds - Stop by the Nature Center to check out the bird feeder area and discuss topics on different types of feeders and foods, tips on identification, and for suggestions about different digital birding media and books. **YPP**

3:00 pm- Mammals of Pipestem - Stop by the Nature Center to learn about some mammals you may encounter in our park. Examine pelts, tracks and other interesting mammal items. **YPP**

6:15 pm- Full Moon Hike - Meet in the lobby of McKeever Lodge for a Full Moon Hike. The Snow Moon will rise at 6:14 pm, just after the sun begins to set at 5:59 pm. This walk will follow the paved golf cart along holes 1-9. Bring a flashlight and dress appropriately for the weather. The hike will be approximately 2.5 miles, or about 1.5 hours. In the event of extremely severe weather conditions, this hike may be postponed until another full moon. For more information, contact Julie.A.McQuade@wv.gov.

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Friday, February 14th

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Young People for Parks

YPP is an environmental education program for children ages 6-16. Participants attend three activities specified as "YPP" during their stay to receive a certificate.

For more information, visit the Nature Center.

Sweethearts Weekend February 14-16, 2025

Bring your sweetheart to Pipestem Resort State Park to celebrate romance in style! Enjoy cozy accommodations, dining, chocolate and a fun-filled weekend with your partner. Friday night's Valentine's Day gathering in the Cardinal Room will be complete with Pipestem's version of the ever popular Newlywed Game. Kick Saturday morning off with breakfast in the Bluestone Dining Room, and later that day enjoy a special Sweethearts Buffet in the Bluestone with music in the ballroom. Before you leave, be sure to finish the weekend off with a full heart and stomach on Sunday morning, with the Bluestone bye-bye buffet! Sweetheart chocolate will be featured at all Sweetheart Weekend events.

For rates and reservations contact us at (304) 466-1800.

Saturday, February 15th

10:30 am- Char Cloth and Fire Starting - Meet at the Nature Center to learn how to make char cloth, a very helpful item for starting a fire. Practice your skills making a "bird nest" and using a primitive fire striker. **YPP**

1:00 pm- Hummingbirds: Magic in the Air - Are you getting tired of the cold and looking forward to the return of hummingbirds? Come by the Nature Center to learn when they might be back, and also how they look, how they fly, the way they are built for survival. **YPP**



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