

**Nature Center Open Daily 11:00 am - 5:00 pm**

**Monday, March 2nd**

**2:00 pm- 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**

**2:00 pm- Feathered Creations-** Join us at the Nature Center for a fun hands-on craft where we can explore the beauty and purpose of feathers in nature. Make your own "feather chandeliers" to take home. **YPP**

**4:00 pm- Ecosystem Explorers** - Meet at the Nature Center to dive into the fascinating world of ecosystems and niches. **YPP**

**Tuesday, March 3rd**

**11:00 am- Bird Bingo** - Come by the Nature Center for Bird Bingo and learn some interesting bird facts. **YPP**

**11:00 am- 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- 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**

*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.*



**Wednesday, March 4th**

**11:00 am - Wildlife Quiz Game** - Meet at the nature center for a quiz game about North American wildlife. **YPP**

**2:00 pm- Winter Shelter for Wildlife-** A simple pile of sticks and branches can become one of the most valuable habitats at your home. Stop by the Nature Center to learn how to build a brush pile for wildlife that will become a winter shelter. **YPP**

**4:00 pm- Dogwood Hike-** Meet at the Nature Center for a hike along the Dogwood Trail to see what to find in nature in winter. **YPP**

**Thursday, March 5th**

**11:00 am- Bug Ball** - Come by the Nature Center to toss around a beach ball and learn fun facts about insects. **YPP**

**2:00 pm- Deer Stroll-** Meet at the Splash Pad parking lot to learn more about the white-tailed deer; how they communicate, find food, avoid predators, and how they are able to thrive in our environment. **YPP**

**4:00 pm - 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.



*Do you know what bird this is?  
 Stop by the Nature Center for identification tips!*

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**Friday, March 6th**

**11:00 am- Country Roads Walk** - Meet at Park Headquarters to walk along the road and into the woods to learn some pre-park history. **YPP**

**2:00 pm- Wildlife Quiz Game** - Meet at the nature center for a quiz game about North American wildlife. **YPP**

**4:00 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.

**Saturday, March 7th**

**9:30 am- 19th Southern West Virginia Spring Eagle Survey-** The Southern WV Eagle Brigade is a growing group of eagle observers that have monitored eagle nests, breeding and fledging in the Pipestem/New River area and providing documented facts since 2006. Join us as we survey the sky for eagles. Numerous sites are designated and hosted by a member of the Eagle Brigade. You do not have to be an expert to spot raptors – an eagle brigade host will be there to help. There is a survey document to record sightings, times, locations. Our location will be the “Pits” at Bluestone lake. At 9:30 am, meet in the lobby of McKeever Lodge for departure to the Pits Area at Bluestone Lake. The Naturalist will be the lead vehicle. Individuals should follow in personal vehicles. Lights on when in the convoy; always have the person behind your vehicle in sight so you arrive together—no one lost. **YPP**

**2:00 pm- Water Rocket** - Come by the Nature Center to see our water rockets blast off. Learn about recycling and how you can reuse items for something fun. **YPP**

**4:00 pm- Snake Talk** - Come by the Nature Center to learn about some snakes of West Virginia and for a chance to touch a real snake.

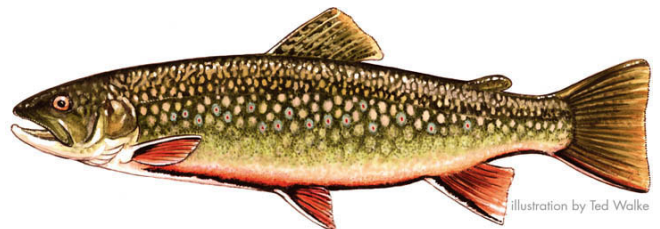
**11:00 am- Nature Journaling** - Come by the Nature Center to learn how to express your love of nature through guided worksheets. Make your own take-home journal so you can continue to express your love of nature in your own way. **YPP**

**2:00 pm- Nature Hunt** - Meet at the Nature Center to hunt objects that can be found in nature and receive a prize. **YPP**

**4:00 pm- Project FeederWatch** - Stop by the Nature Center to participate in citizen science and 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**

**Nature Fun Fact:**

**Brook Trout are West Virginia's only native trout species and are the official state fish. Some predators of the brook trout include herons, kingfishers, and snapping turtles.**



**Sunday, March 8th**

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**Monday, March 9th**



## PIPESTEM RESORT STATE PARK

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**Saturday, March 14th**



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Sunday, March 15th

### Green Day Hike(s)

It's time again for the Annual Green Day Hike! This year we will have two hikes to choose from or join us on both! Feel free to deck out in your best St. Paddy's Day green! Participants will receive a special Green Day Hike patch for each hike! Please dress appropriately for the weather. For more information contact Julie.A.McQuade@wv.gov.

**11:00 am- Dogwood Trail Hike-** Meet at the Nature Center for an interpretive nature walk through the woods to look for and discuss green things in nature. This hike is 0.6 miles long with some rocky terrain and hills and will take 1 ½ hrs.

**2:00 pm- Lake Shore Hike-** Meet in the lobby of McKeever Lodge for our Annual Green Day Hike at Pipestem Resort State Park. Join us as we hike around the Long Branch Lake on the Lake Shore Trail while we look for green things in nature and signs of spring emerging. This trail is approximately 3 miles and will take 1 ½ - 2 hrs.

**4:00 pm- Snake Talk** - Come by the Nature Center to learn about some snakes of West Virginia and for a chance to touch a real snake.

**8:30 am- Sunday Service-** Join us in the Cardinal Room for Sunday Service.

**11:00 am- Needles, Cones, & Conifers** - Why do some trees keep their leaves all winter? Join us for an easy nature walk focused on Evergreen trees. Learn simple identification tips and how evergreens support wildlife and soil.

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