



PIPESTEM RESORT STATE PARK

NATURE CENTER OPEN DAILY 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Monday, July 6th

11:00 am- Hummingbirds: Magic in the Air Come by the Nature Center to learn how they look, how they fly, the way they are built for survival, and about their migration journey.

2:00 pm- Owl Pellet Dissection - Have you ever taken an owl pellet apart to see what the owl has been eating? Join us at the Activity shelter at the Nature Center for this fun activity for all ages.

5:00 pm- Woodland Bingo- Meet at the Nature Center to look for items on your bingo card in the woods and along the trails.

Tuesday, July 7th

11:00 am- Fishing Frenzy - Come by the Nature Center to practice your cast with fishing poles while learning about fish in our local area.

2:00 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.

5:00 pm- Shelter Building - Come to the nature center and learn how to keep yourself protected from the elements if you are lost in the woods.

Wednesday, July 8th

10:00 am- 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.

2:00 pm- Spider Talk - Come by the Nature Center to discover more about spiders. Learn facts about how they hunt, spin silk, and help the environment. Then meet a live jumping spider!

4:00 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.

Thursday, July 9th

10:30 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.

2:00 pm- Bird Bingo - Come by the Nature Center for Bird Bingo and learn some interesting bird facts.

5:00 pm - Evergreens- Meet at the Nature Center for a walk around the grounds and learn how to identify five species of evergreen trees found in West Virginia.

Friday, July 10th

10:00 am- Wildlife Quiz Game - Meet at the nature center for a quiz game about North American wildlife.

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.

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.

6:00 pm- Gaga Tournament - Meet at the Gaga Pit at the campground for a chance to win a prize.

7:00 pm- Char Cloth and Fire Starting - Meet at the fire pit swings at the campground 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. Afterward enjoy "Pipestem style" s'mores.

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Saturday, July 11th

11:00 am- Nature Hunt - Meet at the Nature Center to hunt objects that can be found in nature and receive a prize.

2:30 pm- Critter Crawl- Meet at the Nature Center for a stroll around the grounds to see what crawly critters we can find in and around the area.

5:00 pm- Naturalist in Campground- Keep an eye out for the Naturalist roving around the campground to find out what's going on this evening or any other questions you may have.

6:00 pm- Water Rocket - Come by the Campground to see our water rockets blast off. Learn about recycling and how you can reuse items for something fun.

6:30 pm- Volleyball Tournament - Think you have what it takes? Come to the volleyball court behind the campground store and test your luck. The winning team will receive a prize.



Track Your Eastern Newt Sightings!

Citizen scientists who see an eastern newt in any life stage are encouraged to report their sighting to the WVDNR by completing a short survey with questions about your observation. Submissions with a photo are encouraged.

Data collected through the survey will help WVDNR biologists prepare for the potential arrival of a newly described chytrid fungus that is deadly for eastern newts. The survey will take two years to complete (2026-2028).

<https://wvdnr.gov/plants-animals/surveys/easter-n-newt-survey/>

Sunday, July 12th

8:30 am- Sunday Service- Join us in the picnic shelter at Park Headquarters for Sunday Service.

11:00 am- Stream Search- Explore the hidden world of the Bluestone Scenic River with this hands-on freshwater ecology program! Meet on the patio at Canyon Rim Center. We will ride the tram down to the river to collect and identify aquatic insects and other critters and learn how these small creatures help tell the story of stream health. Participants will receive a special coupon for the tram ride. Please allow 10-15 minutes for your tram ride down. **Good shoes are required, water shoes are highly recommended.****

2:00 pm- Deer Stroll- Meet at the Arboretum (across the footbridge at the lodge) 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.

5:00 pm- Pollinator Stroll- Meet in the parking lot of the stables to stroll around our pollinator zone for our weekly check to see what is growing and who might be pollinating.



**MAKE TRACKS TO THE NATURE
CENTER FOR INFORMATION ABOUT
OUR NEW JUNIOR NATURALIST
PROGRAM! ASK FOR YOUR OWN
COPY OF THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE
PARKS JR. NATURALIST JOURNAL!**



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Monday, July 13th

10:00 am- Bird Walk - Meet the Naturalist at the Nature Center for a stroll to look for our feathered friends.

2400 pm- Hummingbirds: Magic in the Air Come by the Nature Center to learn how they look, how they fly, the way they are built for survival, and about their migration journey.

11:00 am- Woodland Bingo- Meet at the Nature Center to look for items on your bingo card in the woods and along the trails.

Tuesday, July 14th

10:00 am- 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.

2:00 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.

4:00 pm- Shelter Building - Come to the nature center and learn how to keep yourself protected from the elements if you are lost in the woods.



West FURginia State Park Ranger Program

1. Stop by one of 8 State Park Nature Centers to pick up your West FURginia Ranger checklist.
2. Complete the five must-do activities with your furry friend.
3. Swing back by a Nature Center to get your official certificate & FREE West FURginia Ranger dog tag.

Wednesday, July 15th

10:00 am- 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.

2:00 pm- Spider Talk - Come by the Nature Center to discover more about spiders. Learn facts about how they hunt, spin silk, and help the environment. Then meet a live jumping spider up close!

4:00 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.

Thursday, July 16th

10:30 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.

2:00 pm- Bird Bingo - Come by the Nature Center for Bird Bingo and learn some interesting bird facts.

5:00 pm - Evergreens- Meet at the Nature Center for a walk around the grounds and learn how to identify five species of evergreen trees found in West Virginia.



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Friday, July 17th

10:00 am- Wildlife Quiz Game - Meet at the nature center for a quiz game about North American wildlife.

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.

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.

6:00 pm- Naturalist in Campground- Keep an eye out for the Naturalist roving around the campground to find out what's going on this evening or any other questions you may have.

7:00 pm- Water Rocket - Come by the Campground to see our water rockets blast off. Learn about recycling and how you can reuse items for something fun.

7:30 pm- Glowing Volleyball Tournament - Think you have what it takes? Come to the volleyball court behind the campground store and test your luck in a 4th of July style tournament. The winning team will receive a prize.

Saturday, July 18th

11:00 am- Nature Hunt - Meet at the Nature Center to hunt objects that can be found in nature and receive a prize.

5:00 pm- Pollinator Stroll- Meet in the parking lot of the stables to stroll around our pollinator zone for our weekly check to see what is growing and who might be pollinating.

7:00 pm- Char Cloth and Fire Starting - Meet at the fire pit swings at the campground 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. Afterward enjoy "Pipestem style" s'mores.

Sunday, July 19th

8:30 am- Sunday Service- Join us in the picnic shelter at Park Headquarters for Sunday Service.

11:00 am- Deer Stroll- Meet at the Arboretum (across the footbridge at the lodge) 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.

2:30 pm- Critter Crawl- Meet at the Nature Center for a stroll around the grounds to see what crawly critters we can find in and around the area.



9:15 pm- Moth Night - National Moth Week (NMW) is held annually worldwide during the last full week of July and celebrates the beauty, life cycles, and habitats of moths around the world. Meet at the Nature Center for moth watching. We will have a black light and white sheet set up to attract moths. Bring a flashlight and don't forget your phone or camera to capture the moth moments. You may also want to bring a chair if you have one. In the event of rain the program may be canceled.

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