Program Schedule June 16 – June 21 Roan Mountain State Park



Monday, June 16

9:00 PM **Flashing Fireflies-**Enjoy this quintessential Southern summertime experience! Come admire the quiet beauty of twinkling lightning bugs at night while learning a little bit about these interesting insects. Please bring a flashlight. Meet Meg at Picnic Shelter 2.

Wednesday, June 18

- 2:00 PM **Snakes Alive!-** Meet and greet some of the park's reptile residents, and learn the truth about these often misunderstood creatures. Meet Joe at the Camp Check-in.
- 3:30 PM **Mow No Mo'-** Have you noticed our fields of native wildflowers and grasses around the park? Join Amanda at the Picnic Shelter 1 to learn about our latest conservation and restoration project and how it's paying off in more ways than one!

Thursday, June 19--Pollinator Week Activities

- 10:00 AM **The Buzz on Bees-** Learn a bit about these important insects and their vital role in the ecosystem, including why we couldn't survive without them! Meet Amanda at the Miller Farmstead.
- 11:00 AM **Butterfly Chase-** Come out and learn a thing or two, while Identifying some of our park's most fragile and beautiful inhabitants. Meet Joe at the Miller Farmstead and get ready to have a good time!
 - 1:00 PM **Hike the Balds-** Come out for a hike of unparalleled views and learn about the rare ecosystems that make Roan Mountain such a unique place, all while hiking along the Appalachian Trail! The trail is moderate in difficulty and can be steep in sections. Please bring sturdy shoes, water, a

jacket, and a snack. Meet Amanda at Park Headquarters promptly and we'll carpool up to Carver's Gap together. This program is weather dependent.

9:00 PM Moths: Nature's Night Fliers- You've met the butterflies, now prepare for their nighttime cousins! Come out and identify some moths while enjoying a beautiful night at Roan Mountain State Park. Meet Joe at Shelter 3.

Friday, June 20

- 12:00 PM **Bicycle Safety-** Hey kids! Come learn how to keep yourself safe as you enjoy Roan Mountain State Park by bicycle. Bring your bike and a helmet (helmets available for use at Campground Check-in.) Meet Joe at Campground Check-in.
 - 1:00 PM **Old-Time Games-** Before the days of video games and TV, kids still knew how to have a fun. For the kid or the kid within, join Amanda at the Miller Farmstead for a guaranteed good time.
 - 3:30 PM Salamander Hunt- Do you like amphibians?! Come out and learn about some of Roan Mountain's coolest species. Join Amanda at Campground Check-in.
 - 5:00 PM **Creek Walkin'-** Come cool off in the Doe River as we learn about stream ecology and discover some aquatic life in its natural habitat. You may be surprised to learn what we find! <u>Wear closed-toe shoes and be prepared to get in the water.</u> Meet Joe at Campground Check-in.
 - 9:00 PM **Cabin Campfire**-Com enjoy jokes, riddles, stories, and s'mores at the Cabin Campfire Ring, located behind Cabin 26 with Amanda.

Saturday, June 21

2014 Rhododendron Festival! Be sure to check out music, crafts, vendors, and great food down at the Park Amphitheater!

GENERAL ANNOUCEMENTS

Programs are free of charge, but donations to the park are greatly appreciated in order to continue to offer programs at no cost. - Check with HQ or Campground Check-in for possible rainy day alternative programs in the event of program cancellation.