

Pipestem State Park

Weekly Activities Schedule

May 17 - 28, 2017

Wog the Golf Courses: Each morning (6:00 am – 7:30 am) and evening (8:00 pm – 10:00 pm) park guests are invited to walk/jog (wog) our golf courses. This is an unguided activity so we ask that woggers remain on cart paths while they enjoy the sights and sounds of the courses. Pets are welcome; however, we ask that they be leashed and all waste collected. Woggers are also encouraged to carry a flashlight.




Run or walk a marked and measured course: 5K and 10K routes have been marked on the park for your enjoyment. Maps are available at our website, www.pipestemresort.com under Maps/Locate, Walk/Run 5K/10K Guide; or ask at the McKeever Lodge front desk. * **Be Seen:** If you are out when it is dark or foggy, wear a reflective vest or flashing lights so you're seen by traffic.

Wednesday, May 17th


12:30 pm  The Nature Center will be open until 4:30 pm

Thursday, May 18th


10:00 am  **Build Your Own Plant-** Come by the Nature Center and find out about the different parts of a plant. While there you will have the opportunity to create your own plant using paper and craft supplies. Good activity for children ages 4 and up. (30 min. – 1 hour)


12:30 pm  The Nature Center will be open until 4:30 pm

Friday, May 19th

11:00 am  **American Eagle** – Come by the Nature Center to view this documentary which takes an unprecedented look at this remarkable bird and its surprisingly tough struggle to survive in the wild. **Rated PG.** (1 hour)


12:30 pm  The Nature Center will be open until 4:30 pm

5:30 pm  The Bluestone Dining Room will be serving their Seafood Buffet tonight until 9:00pm.


5:30 pm  Mountain Creek Dining Room is open for the weekend! Call extension 360 to make your dinner reservations.




Saturday, May 20th

10:00 am  **Lake Dip** – Meet in the Arboretum parking lot (across from McKeever Lodge). We will walk to the lake to take a dip, with a net, to see what kind of critters we can find living in the lake. (1 ½ hours)

12:30 pm  The Nature Center will be open until 4:30 pm


2:00 pm  **Nature Hunt** – Come to the Nature Center for a nature scavenger hunt. The Naturalist will hand out a list of things to find outside around the nature center. A prize will be given for finding them all. (1/2 - 1 hour)



Sunday, May 21st

8:30 am  **Sunday Service** – Join us at the Amphitheater for Sunday service. This is an outdoor service so dress for the weather. (1 hour)


12:30 pm  **The Nature Center will be open until 4:30 pm**

Friday, May 26th

10:00 am  **Plaster Tracks** – Come to the Nature Center and make a plaster mold of your choice of several different animal tracks. The cost to make a track is \$0.50. You can also participate in the Metamorphosis Craft listed below if you are still waiting for your plaster to dry. (Approx. 30 min.)



10:30 am   **Metamorphosis Craft-** Ever wonder how insects grow or how caterpillars turn into butterflies. Come by the Nature Center for this fun and educational craft that demonstrates the life cycle of insects without even having to touch a creepy crawly. (30 min.-1 hr.)



12:30 pm  **The Nature Center will be open until 4:30 pm**

5:30 pm  Mountain Creek Dining Room is open for the Season! Call extension 360 or 387 to make your dinner reservations.


6:00 pm  **Live music in the lobby of McKeever lodge ~ Bicycle the Band**

Saturday, May 27th

10:00 am  **Pets Become Family Rescue Extravaganza** 
Today a host of rescue groups, shelters, pet industry vendors, and local artisans will be at Pipestem park headquarters building and grounds from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. creating an awareness of animal rescue services and pet care. Pet adoptions will be available; businesses providing pet care and supplies for sale on-site; trainers and groomers and other pet related vendors welcome your visit and questions. There are no pet sales; only adoptions. A silent auction is part of the event. Open to the public and there is no charge to attend.


10:00 am   **Bluestone River Walk** – Ride the tram down to meet a National Park Ranger on the patio of Mountain Creek Lodge for an interpretive hike along the Bluestone River. Please allow 10-15 minutes for your tram ride down. The cost to ride the tram will be \$3.00. (1 – 1 ½ hours).

Saturday, May 27th (cont.)

10:00 am  **Experience the Trails of Pipestem State Park-** Join volunteers Mark and Donna for a 9-10-mile hike over many of Pipestem's hiking trails. This hike will leave from the lobby of McKeever Lodge at 10:00 am. The group will follow Law Hollow Trail to the Lake Shore Trail, and then follow the South Side Trail to the park road. Then we will follow the Dogwood Trail and stop for lunch at the Nature Center. After lunch, the group will take the County Line Trail down into the Gorge, to follow the River Trail back to the lodge after stopping at the overlook at Heritage Point. (Please note an option for

a shorter walk is available for those that wish to return to the lodge after lunch at the Nature Center.) 9-10 miles, 10 am – 3 or 4 pm


12:30 pm  **The Nature Center will be open until 4:30 pm**


2:00 pm  **Nature Hunt** – Come to the Nature Center for a nature scavenger hunt. The naturalist will hand out a list of things to find outside around the nature center. A prize will be given for finding them all. (1/2 - 1 hour)

8:00 pm  **East River Mountain Town Band in the Amphitheater** 

An evening of music presented by a community town band performing an eclectic mix of classical, popular and patriotic concert band music. This ensemble is directed by Concord University graduate and retired Mercer County music teacher Mel Saunders. Come and enjoy a nice evening outdoors in the amphitheater listening to live music. Admission is FREE and open to the public.

Sunday, May 28th

8:30 am  **Sunday Service** – Join us at the Amphitheater for Sunday service. This is an outdoor service so dress for the weather. (1 hour)

10:00 am  **Country Roads Walk** - Meet at Park Headquarters for a walking introduction to some of Pipestem's pre-park history. We will walk along the road and go into the woods to look for old farms and home foundations. (1 ½ hours)

2:30 pm  **3rd Annual Murbles Tournament**

Open a bag of fun! Join Murbles inventor Murray Kramer at the campground for this 16-player tournament. You can sign up in person at the campground office or call ext. 473 to reserve your space. 1st place winner will receive a set of Murbles, medals awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners!


Free and open to the public so come out and see what Murbles is all about!

12:30 pm  **The Nature Center will be open until 4:30 pm**

DARK in the PARK

Pick-up your hang tag at the Front Desk of McKeever Lodge then head out on the park.



Be on the lookout for the  Symbol at designated areas throughout the park (Arboretum, Long Branch Lake, 18-hole Golf Course, Par 3 Short Course, Tram/ Mountain Creek & the Bolar Observation Tower) then get out and experience the wonders of the night! Bring your Dark in the Park card by the Nature Center to talk about your experience and we'll stamp it for you to keep as a special memory of your visit to Pipestem. This is an unguided activity. Please stay on marked paths and trails, carry a flashlight, dress for the weather and most importantly.....

HAVE FUN!!!



CHIEF'S CHALLENGE



The program is open to anyone without charge and participants do not have to be enrolled in the existing WV State Park Hiking Program. Each person accepting the Chief's Challenge is asked to enroll individually at http://www.wvstateparks.com/Hikes_Walks.html

YPP stands for Young People for Parks. Kids 6-16 years of age are eligible for a patch and certificate after they attend three programs marked **YPP** with the symbol. Check at the Nature Center for details.

www.pipestemresort.com
304-466-1800 ext. 344

Get outside and walk or hike at a State Park or Forest in 2017!