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**Kids Summer Series: Keep Kids Moving
Wednesdays in July from 10am-2pm**

The Museum is offering a selection of summer programs in July geared toward getting kids outside and keeping them active. Programs on old-fashioned games, sports, hiking, and dance will teach children a cultural history lesson and promote exercise, health, and well being. *Programs in the Kids Summer Series cost \$5 per child per program. Children will need to bring a bag lunch.*

**Lunch on the Lawn
Each Friday in June & July from 12pm-1pm**

Get an early start to the weekend; join us at the Museum for a "brown-bag" lunch on the lawn with entertainment by area musicians. *Bring your own lunch or order a \$5 box lunch from the Museum. Menus vary week to week. Please call for meal options each week. Orders must be received by 9am each Friday.*

**First Saturday Community Coffeehouse
July 7th & August 4th from 7-9pm**

The First Saturday Community Coffee House is an open-mic event and is open to all family-friendly performers. All interested musicians, storytellers, and poets should arrive by 6:30pm for sign-up and scheduling. *Admission is free to this program. Refreshments will be available for purchase.*

**Bus Tour to Hungry Mother State Park's
Arts & Crafts Festival
Saturday, July 21st from 8am-5pm**

Hop on the Museum's bus for a summer excursion to Hungry Mother State Park's Arts & Crafts Festival. The bus will depart at 8am and arrive at Hungry Mother State Park for the opening of the festival. Tour members will have the opportunity to experience the festival at their own pace until 2:30pm, when the bus will depart for the Museum. *Seating is limited to 15. Cost: \$20 per person. Registration and payment deadline is July 6th.*

**Bus Tour to Fairy Stone State Park & Mabry Mill
Saturday, August 11th from 8am-5pm**

Claim a seat on the Museum's comfortable tour bus for a special trip to Mabry Mill and Fairy Stone State Park. Tour participants will enjoy a tour and lunch at Mabry Mill, a restored gristmill/sawmill/woodworking shop and blacksmith shop. Old time skills (basket weaving, seat caneing, spinning, and weaving) are demonstrated. The bus will then travel to Fairy Stone State Park, where tour members will search for their own fairy stones and enjoy an afternoon in the park. The bus will leave the Museum at 8am and depart Fairy Stone State Park for the Museum at 2pm, arriving in Big Stone Gap around 5pm. *Seating is limited to 15. Cost: \$20 per person. Registration and payment deadline is July 27th. Tour fee does not include lunch at Mabry Mill.*

**Adventures in History:
Traveling the Train Tracks Bus Tour
Saturday, August 25th from 8am to 5pm**

Travel in Southwest Virginia wouldn't be complete without passing over a set of train tracks or seeing train cars full of cargo snaking their way through towns and the mountains in between them. Don't miss this opportunity to board the Museum's bus and explore trains and their historical impact in Southwest Virginia with tour leader Ron Flanary. Mr. Flanary's articles, photographs, and paintings have appeared in several nationally circulated railroad publications. His first major book, *The Louisville & Nashville Railroad in the Appalachians*, was published in 1990. He has since authored four more railroad-related books and has contributed to several more by other authors. *Seating is limited to 14. Cost: \$20 per person. Registration and payment deadline is August 10th. Participants may bring their own lunch or pre-purchase a boxed lunch from the Museum for an additional \$5.*