

20th Annual Quilt Show

April 1 through May 31

Please see description on the April calendar.

First Saturday Community Coffeehouse

Saturday, May 6 & June 3 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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 6:30 p.m. for sign-up and scheduling. Admission is free to this program. Refreshments will be available for purchase.

Adventures in History:

Coal Camp Bus Tour

Saturday, May 13 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Join regional historian Dr. Lawrence Fleenor on a guided tour of area coal camps. The bus tour will depart the park and travel on a comfortable bus to area coal camps of Imboden, Exeter, Keokee, Stonega, Derby and Dunbar. Cost: \$25 per person. Seating is limited: reserve your spot today! Participants may bring their own lunch or pre-purchase a boxed lunch from the park for an additional \$6. Registration and payment deadline is Friday, May 5.

Kids to Parks Day

Saturday, May 20 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

To celebrate Kids to Parks Day, the park is offering a scavenger hunt for children touring the museum with a special surprise for participants! Also, the park will offer GPS units and starter geocaching sites for children and families interested in exploring the world of geocaching.

Southwest Virginia Museum Artisan Series

Monday, May 15 and June 19 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Enjoy a hands-on craft project with regional artisans on the third Monday of every month from March until December. May: Quilting Workshop (adult). June: Paint-N-Sip (adult). Please contact the park for registration and pricing information for these workshops.

“Gathering in the Gap” Music Festival

May 27 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

A day of fun for the entire family! Activities include competitions, jams, workshops and performances by local and regionally known musicians. Featured Main Stage performers are The Steep Canyon Rangers and Dave Eggar & Deoro. *For more information, see the full description inside this calendar or visit: gatheringinthegapmusicfestival.com*

Lunch on the Lawn

Each Friday in June & July from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.

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 \$6 box lunch from the museum. Menus vary week to week. Please call for meal options each week. Orders must be received by 4 p.m. each Thursday. (276) 523-1322

National Trails Day Geocaching

Saturday, June 3 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Stop by the front desk to pick up a GPS unit and locate interesting caches at historic sites in Big Stone Gap, VA. Admission to this program is free.

National Get Outdoors Day

Saturday, June 10 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Celebrate National Get Outdoors Day by exploring activities available on the park's grounds. Check out a GPS unit from the front desk and learn how to geocache in the park and at nearby historic sites. Take the walking tour of the grounds for a view of the Southwest Virginia Walk of Fame, birds and trees, and outdoor artifacts. Explore the sandstone and limestone construction of the museum building from the outside. Enjoy a picnic lunch outdoors and walk through the park's Victorian Garden.

Adventures in History:

Civil War Bus Tour

Saturday, June 17 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Join Brian D. McKnight, Ph.D. Professor of History at the University of Virginia's College at Wise, and park staff for this interesting tour of Southwest Virginia's Civil War History. The tour will start at the museum and travel to Moccasin Gap near Gate City, roughly following Daniel Ellis's ever changing routes of the Civil War. Ellis piloted thousands of loyal East Tennesseans across Southwest Virginia to Eastern Kentucky where they could join the Union army. Beginning at Moccasin Gap near Gate City, this tour includes stops at Moccasin Gap, the Clinch River, Wildcat Valley, Seminary, Keokee and Clover Fork KY. Participants may bring their own lunch or purchase a boxed lunch from the park for \$6. Seating is limited, so be sure to call and reserve your spot today. Cost: \$25 per person. Registration and payment deadline is Friday, June 9.

Great American Campout & Marshmallow Roast

Saturday, June 24 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The park is celebrating the Great American Campout with an evening of fire-roasted treats and great regional music around the campfire. Admission to this program is free. Registration is required.






May 2017

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

	1 Museum Closed Friends of Museum Meeting	2 JAMS Music Program	3	4 JAMS Music Program	5	6 Coffee House 
7	8 Museum Closed	9	10	11 JAMS Music Program	12	13 Coal Camp Bus Tour
14 Mother's Day	15 Museum Closed Artisan Series	16 JAMS Music Program	17	18 JAMS Music Program Graduation	19	20 Kids to Parks Day Events
21	22 Museum Closed	23	24	25	26	27 "Gathering In the Gap"
28	29 Memorial Day Museum Open	30	31 Last Day of Quilt Show			

June 2017

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				1	2 Lunch on The Lawn 	3 Coffee House  National Trails Day
4	5 Friends of Museum Meeting	6	7	8	9 Lunch on The Lawn 	10 National Get Outdoors Day
11	12	13	14	15	16 Lunch on The Lawn 	17 Civil War Bus Tour VA State Parks History & Culture Day
18 Father's Day	19 Artisan Series	20	21	22	23 Lunch on The Lawn 	24 Great American Campout
25	26	27	28	29	30 Lunch on The Lawn 