



WILDERNESS
WILDLIFE WEEK
PIGEON FORGE ★ TN

January 24-31, 2015
2015 Class Schedule
Updated: November 14, 2014

ALL SCHEDULES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

All WORKSHOPS, LECTURES, PANEL DISCUSSIONS, SLIDE/VIDEO PRESENTATIONS and HIKE SIGN-UPS will take place at:

LeConte Center at Pigeon Forge
2986 Teaster Lane
Pigeon Forge, TN 37863

Information Desk: Open daily from 7 AM – 9 PM

Pre-registration Desk: Open daily from 7 AM – 6 PM

Pre-registration for LIMITED! Sessions will take the morning of each day for that day's sessions.

Vendor/Exhibit Hall: Open daily from 9 AM – 6 PM in LeConte Exhibit Hall

****Note: Vendor Hall will close at 3 PM on Saturday, January 31.***

Photography Exhibit opens Sunday, January 25 – Friday, January 30 from 9 AM until 6 PM.

Photography Exhibit Special Hours: Saturday, January 31 from 9 AM until 1 PM.

Please note the Bob Kolb and Bob Hatcher Memorials Room are in LeConte North Exhibit Hall.

Saturday, January 24

8 – 9 AM: NEW! LIMITED! Beginning Bird ID: Dana Ripper – South 1
Limit 20, ages 16+. Participants will learn how to identify birds as well as participate in a bird hike. Limited binoculars are available to borrow and each participant will receive a free field guide to take home with them!

9 – 10 AM: The Appalachian Trail: An Entertaining Adventure: Jeff Alt – Greenbrier Hall C

9 – 1 PM: Nature Photography Workshop: Kendall Chiles, Daniel Dempster and Tom & Pat Cory – Greenbrier Hall B

9:30 – 10:30 AM: Camera Basics 101: Understanding Terminology and Your Camera Adjustments as Used in the Manual: Douglas Hubbard – North 1

9:30 – 10:30 AM: NEW! Ancient Ways: An Appalachian at Home in Israel and Ireland: J. Greg Johnson – North 3

Join Greg in Galilee where Jesus walked and in Ireland where many of our native Scots-Irish ancestors made their path before arriving in America.

9:30 – 10:30 AM: NEW! LIMITED! Carve a Wildlife Stamp: Pat Thomas – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 12, ages 12+.

9:30 – 11:30 AM: KIDS' TRACK! LIMITED! Design Your Own Wilderness Wildlife Week Bandana: Louise Bales – Bob Kolb Memorial Room

Limit 20, ages 8+. Participants will join Louise as she teaches them how to design their own Wilderness Wildlife Week 25th Anniversary commemorative bandana.

9:30 – 11:30 AM: Fly Fishing the Smokies: Greg Ward – South 3

9:30 – 1:30 PM: Photography Contest Onsite Take-in: Sherry Lutes and Event Volunteers – LeConte Hall North Photography Exhibit

10 – 11 AM: NEW! A Day in the Life of a Riverboat Captain: Capt. John Farmer – North 2
Join Capt. Farmer as he presents a PowerPoint presentation on what it is like to be a Captain on a modern sternwheel riverboat.

10 – 11 AM: You, Me and the Bears: Joey Holt – Greenbrier Hall A
Join Joey as he discusses what to do for those who live in bear country, including learning what happens if bears come near your home or campsite.

10 – Noon: LIMITED! Introduction to the Mountain Dulcimer: TNT Dulcimers – South 2
Limit 25, please bring own dulcimer as only a limited number of loaner dulcimers are available.

11 – 11:30 AM: NEW! HERITAGE! The Ruddy Pilgrim: Tyler King – North 3
Join Tyler as he does a character portrayal of a fictional Smoky Mountain settler from Scotland.

11 – Noon: NEW! Saving Money Using Free and Open Source Software to Edit Your Nature Photos: Burt Bicksler – North 1

11 – Noon: NEW! LIMITED! Make A Dreamcatcher Christmas Ornament: Sue Todd – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 10, ages 15+.

11 – Noon: Old Time Hymn Singing: Tony Thomas – LeConte Hall South

11:30 AM: Sunday Hikes & Field Trips Sign-ups – Greenbrier Hall A

11:30 – 12:30 AM: Rock Formations of the Smokies: Harry Moore – Greenbrier Hall C

12:30 – 1:30 PM: Sanctuary: Meditations from Great Smoky Mountains National Park: J. Greg Johnson – North 2

12:30 – 1:30 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Whittle a Mountain Flower: Jacki Proffitt – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 10, ages 16+. Participants must bring own sharpened pocket knife.

12:30 – 1:30 PM: NEW! Hiking in the Highland Firs: Hammered Dulcimer Adventures: Timothy Seaman – LeConte Hall South
Join Timothy for a music concert celebrating the trees of our region and outdoor recreation in the Parks, with dynamic original compositions and classic folk tunes.

1 – 2 PM: NEW! John Muir & Gifford Pinchot: Shaping Our Value of Conservation and Their Influence on the Civilian Conservation Corps: Michael & Monique Hodge – North 3

1 – 2 PM: KIDS' TRACK! Get Your Kids Hiking: Learn How a Few Simple Techniques and Gear Can Make a Hike with Kids of Any Age Safe and Fun: Jeff Alt & Family – Greenbrier Hall A

1 – 2 PM: NEW! Black Bear Encounters in the Smokies! What to Do?: Kim Delozier – Greenbrier Hall C
Join Kim as he explains bear behaviors and how to respond to a black bear encounter. Kim will also share bear encounter incidents in the Smokies.

1 – 2 PM: NEW! LIMITED! The Uses of Essential Oils in Household Products: Alison Houston – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 10, ages 16+. Participants learn to make a household cleaner to take home with them.

1 – 2 PM: Nature Writing for Love and Money, Part 1: Observing and Writing about Nature: Rob Simbeck – South 1
Join Rob as he teaches participants how to think like a writer, journaling, planning, interviewing, writing, editing and dealing with editors.

1 – 2:30 PM: NEW! What's Wrong with This Picture?: It's the Little Things That Matter: Roger Trentham – North 1
Join Roger as he discusses common mistakes photographers make that often ruin nature images.

1 – 2:30 PM: LIMITED! Clawhammer Banjo Workshop 1: Boogertown Gap – South 2

Limit 10, must bring own clawhammer banjo tuned in open G.

1:30 – 3 PM: Lightroom Photo Editing Software: Come Take a Test Drive!: Colby McLemore – Greenbrier Hall B

1 – 3:30 PM: Casting a Fly Rod: Greg Ward – South 3
Participants should bring own rods for fly casting demos.

2 – 3 PM: NEW! The Anatomy of a Steam Riverboat: Capt. John Farmer – North 2
Join Capt. Farmer as he presents a PowerPoint presentation on the evolution from deep draft sailing schooners to shallow draft steamboats.

2 – 3 PM: NEW! The Songs of Stephen Foster: Tony Thomas and Judy Carson – LeConte Hall South
Stephen Foster was known as the father of American music and wrote more than 200 songs. Join Tony and Judy as they perform many of Foster's most popular compositions that have remained popular for more than 150 years after he wrote them.

2 – 3:30 PM: KIDS' TRACK! LIMITED! Booger: A Tall Tale of the Mountains: Mary Phillips – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 30, ages 5 -10. Participants join Mary as she tells the story of about a firefly, a boy named Booger and his faithful cat, Stinker. Kids learn to use the Great Smoky Mountain Wildflower guide book. Program meets curriculum standards for science, literature, life skills and art.

2:30 – 3:30 PM: Update on Cougars in the Smokies: Dr. Don Linzey – North 3
Join Dr. Linzey as he presents a review of cougar distribution, current range and biology, as well as an update on recent reports and sighting in GSMNP.

2:30 – 3:30 PM: Discovery of the Gray Fossil Site: Harry Moore – Greenbrier Hall C

2:30 – 3:30 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Making a Hand Broom for Decoration: David Ogle – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 10, ages 16+.

2:30 – 4 PM: LIMITED! Drawing to Identify Trees: Maurice Edwards and William Hurst – South 1
Limit 12, ages 18+. Participants join a professional botanist and an artist to draw tree parts toward the goal of species identification. Bring own art supplies and plant material or use instructors' pencils, paper and subject matter.

3 – 4 PM: Seasons and Weather: Watching the Smokies Change: Jerry Whaley – North 1
Video Presentation.

3 – 4 PM: NEW! An Adventure Along the John Muir Trail: Jeff Alt – Greenbrier Hall A

3 – 4 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Introduction to the Hammer Dulcimer: Timothy Seaman – South 2
Limit 10. Some loaner dulcimers are available; however, participants are encouraged to bring their own. Onlookers are welcome to watch.

3:30 – 4:30 PM: NEW! The Forced Removal of the Cherokee in 1838: Chris Tipton – North 2

Join Chris as she discusses the finding of a journal that started a personal rediscovery of one of our nation's saddest events – The Trail of Tears.

3:30 – 5 PM: NEW! Making Your Nature Images “POP!”: Larry Perry – Greenbrier Hall B

4 – 5 PM: NEW! Mother Nature's Secret Garden: The Harvest You Didn't Plant: Ila Hatter – Greenbrier Hall C

Join Ila as she shows participants how to recognize what “weeds” are edibles. You will have a harvest before you plant your garden as some “weeds” are more nutritious than domestic vegetables!

4 – 5:30 PM: NEW! Everest... and the People Who Climbed It: Bill Deitzer – North 3

4:30 – 5:30 PM: NEW! Entering Photographic Competitions: The Benefits of Entering, Pitfalls to Avoid and the Image Selection Process: Douglas Hubbard – North 1

4:30 – 5:30 PM: Our Summer in Alaska: Carroll & Michelle McMahan – Greenbrier Hall A

4:30 – 5:30 PM: A Bodacious Snuffy Smith Chalk Talk: John Rose – South 1

Join John as he discusses his cartooning career and draws some of his comic strip's most popular characters.

4:30 – 5:30 PM: Learn to Play the Spoons and Washtub Bass: Boogertown Gap – South 2

5 – 6 PM: NEW! Hut Hiking in the Alps: Shannon Harris – North 2

Join Shannon as he explains how to navigate hiking in the Alps.

5:30 – 6:30 PM: Civil War in the West, 1861: Jack Carman – Greenbrier Hall B

5:30 – 6:30 PM: NEW! Colorful Characters of the Smokies: Hills-N-Hollows – Greenbrier Hall C

Join Mike and Kathy Gwinn as they introduce in story and song some of the snuff-dippin', fire-spittin', men and women of the Smokies.

6 PM: Monday Hikes & Field Trips Sign-ups – Greenbrier Hall A

6 – 7 PM: NEW! Outdoor Photography: Thinking and Shooting Out of the Box: Harry Dunn – North 1

Join Harry as he covers topics including making a weather aide, viewing subjects differently, using camera functions beyond “Auto” and several “Plan for success” ideas.

6 – 7 PM: Lewis & Clark, Part 1: Before the Expedition: Peter & Gudrun Seifert – North 3

6:45 PM: The Scottish Connection to the Smokies and Bagpipe Performance by Bagpiper Charles A. Smith, Commander, TVA Police, retired - Greenbrier Hall C

7 PM: Opening Ceremony: Butch Helton, Ken Jenkins and friends – Greenbrier Hall C

7:45 PM: SATURDAY KEYNOTE PROGRAM! NEW! The Tramp and the Roughrider: An Evening at Glacier Point: Lee Stetson and Alan Sutterfield – Greenbrier Hall C

What did John Muir and President Theodore Roosevelt discuss around the campfire in 1903? Witness a live reenactment of this history-altering camping trip in Yosemite as the “Tramp” and the “Rough Rider” engage in lively discussion over the fate of our most wild places and swap stories about their own adventures.

Sunday, January 25

8 – Noon: NEW! LIMITED! Turn Your Photography Into Art Workshop: Karen Jones – South 1
Limit 15, ages 16+. Participants must bring own laptop with PhotoShop for step-by-step demonstration of various techniques to reinterpret photos into artistic creations.

9 – 10 AM: NEW! Blooms, Birds and Butterflies: Tom & Pat Cory – North 1
This educational and entertaining photography workshop focuses on flowers, butterflies and birds, some of Tom & Pat's favorite subjects.

9 – 10:30 AM: NEW! Section Hiking the Appalachian Trail: Bill & Sharon Van Horn – North 3
Join Bill & Sharon as they share their experiences on section hiking the Appalachian Trail. Since 2005, they have hiked the A.T. completing it in 2013. Topics covered will include transportation, resupply, trip planning, equipment and off-trail experiences.

9:30 – 10:30 AM: LIMITED! Making a Gemstone Bracelet: LaDonna Twyman – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 8, ages 18+. Participants join LaDonna as she instructs them on how to make a gemstone toggle bracelet to take home with them using semi-precious stones, silver toggles and spacer beads.

9:30 – 10:30 AM: Sunday Morning Sing Along: Tony Thomas – LeConte Hall South

9:30 – 11:30 AM: World-Class Stream Smallmouth Bass: Greg Ward – South 3

9:30 – Noon: Great Photography with Any Camera, Cell Phone or Tablet: Rich Iceland – Greenbrier Hall B

9:30 – 12:30 PM: LIMITED! Basket Making: Theresa Tyler – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 8. Participants will join Theresa as she teaches them the Appalachian art of basket making.

10 – 11 AM: The Building of Fontana Dam in the Wilderness: Presented by a "Dam Kid" Whose Parents Worked There: Bob Keim – North 2
Slide Presentation

10 – 11 AM: NEW! Humor in Rural and Small Town Churches: Lee Morris – South 2
Join Lee as he shares "The Preachments," describes and demonstrates humorous experiences encountered in rural/small town churches. Attendees are welcomed to share, too!

10:30 – 11:30 AM: Working with Wildflowers: A Photographer's Delight: Jerry Whaley – North 1
Join Jerry as he shows attendees a look at the techniques and equipment used to capture the wildflowers of the Smokies with instruction as to how most images were captured.

10:30 – 11:30 AM: NEW! Intermediate Bird Identification: Exploring Features of "Problem" Birds Such as Sparrows, Shorebirds and Raptors: Dana Ripper – Greenbrier Hall A

11:30 – 12:30 PM: Nature Writing for Love and Money, Part 2: The Practical Tips and More: Rob Simbeck – South 2

Join Rob as he teaches participants more practical tips related to observing and writing about nature. More depth and examples regarding the topics in part one will be discussed in this session.

Noon – 1 PM: NEW! The Knoxville Origins of Japanese Stilt Grass: Nancy Dorman – North 3

Noon – 1 PM: NEW! Hawks of the Smokies: Stephen Lyn Bales – Greenbrier Hall A

Noon – 1:30 PM: NEW! Photography Hardware Calibration: Get the Most Out of Your Investment: Colby McLemore – North 1

12:30 – 1:30 PM: HERITAGE! The White Caps and Blue Bills at the Battle of Henderson's Spring: Don Williams – North 2

Join Don as he recounts one of Sevier County's most brutal eras of the White Caps and Blue Bills and their epic showdown at the Battle of Henderson Springs in October of 1894.

12:30 – 1:30 PM: NEW! The Dos, Don'ts and Hows of Photographing Birds: Clay Thurston – Greenbrier Hall B

12:30 – 1:30 PM: NEW! The Meanderings of a Silly Man Continue!: Doug Mills – Greenbrier Hall C
Despite an intrusion of age, and courtesy of The Heartland Series, a silly man continues his meanderings with a camera in hand.

12:30 – 1:30 PM: NEW! Appalachian Folk Hymn Tunes: Timothy Seaman – LeConte Hall South
Join Timothy as he reviews the history and musical types of folk hymns from the shape-note tradition, as interpreted with instruments. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own instruments to play and sing a few, too!

1 – 2 PM: KIDS' TRACK! LIMITED! Bodacious Cartooning for Kids Workshop: John Rose – South 1
Limit 30, ages 8+. Participants should bring own pencils and notepad to draw along!

1 – 2:30 PM: LIMITED! Clawhammer Banjo Workshop 2: Boogertown Gap – South 2
Limit 10, must bring own clawhammer banjo tuned in open G.

1 – 3 PM: Stream-Stocked Trout Fishing: Greg Ward – South 3

1:30 – 2:30 PM: HERITAGE! Civil War in the Mountains: Bushwhackers, Marauders, Raiders, Conscription and Divided Loyalties at the Homefront: Chris Tipton – North 3

1:30 – 2:30 PM: NEW! Bears on the Move: Tennessee's Expanding Bear Population: Daryl Ratajczak – Greenbrier Hall A

2 – 3 PM: NEW! The Mindset and Techniques Behind Creating Inspiring Outdoor Photographs: Daniel Dempster – North 1
Join Daniel as he covers what is required to create outdoor images that exceed the ordinary. Topics include techniques, equipment and the mindset that goes hand-in-hand in creating beautiful landscape and nature photographs.

2 – 3 PM: NEW! Writing Smoky Mountain Books: Dr. Lin Stepp – North 2

Join Dr. Stepp as she shares information on her life and writing novels based in the Great Smoky Mountains. Her program at Wilderness Wildlife Week is also the official launch site of her newest Smoky Mountain novel, Makin' Miracles, the seventh book in the Smoky Mountain series.

2 – 3 PM: NEW! Heartland Stories of Wild Critters of the Smokies!: Kim Delozier and Bill Landry – Greenbrier Hall C

Join Kim and Bill as they share and discuss different Heartland Series episodes they worked on together including wild boar, black bears, red wolf, river otters and more.

2 – 3:30 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Recycle Scraps Into Rag Rugs and Trivets: Maria Holloway – Bob Kolb Memorial Room

Limit 15, ages 15+.

2 – 3:30 PM: NEW! KIDS' TRACK! LIMITED! A Cat Named Stinker: Mary Phillips – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room

Limit 30, ages 5 – 10. Participants join Mary as she continues the Tall Tales about a firefly, a boy named Booger and his faithful cat, Stinker. Follow the whippoorwill and find out how Stinker got her name and how they all became synchronous friends. Learn the black boogie waltz - draw something and learn to recognize new native plants! Program meets curriculum standards for science, literature and art.

2 – 3:30 PM: HERIATGE! Old Harp Singing: David Sarten, leader – LeConte Hall South

Listen to hymns brought from the old country and tunes by early American composers as a group of regional Old Harp singers sing shaped notes (do-re-mi...) in four part harmony seated in the traditional square.

2 – 4 PM: Digital Photo Editing Made Easy: Rich Iceland – Greenbrier Hall B

2:30 – 4:30 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Perspective in Landscapes: William Hurst and Maurice Edwards – South 1

Limit 12, ages 18+. Participants join Maurice and Williams as they teach understanding of perspective in creating landscape drawings. Learn to apply a number of perspective techniques while creating a landscape drawing in pencil.

3 – 4 PM: NEW! KIDS' TRACK! The Truth about Pirates: Capt. John Farmer and East Tennessee Pirates Group – North 3

Attendees can have their pictures made with two pirates and learn all about pirates as they can see a replica pirate cannon and other pirate weapons.

3 – 4 PM: NEW! The Flying Housewife: Rosemary Deitzer – Greenbrier Hall A

Some fifty years ago Jerrie Mock accomplished what Amelia Earhart could not – to be the first woman to fly solo around the world. Join Rosemary as she presents this remarkable story.

3 – 4:30 PM: LIMITED! Playing Mountain Dulcimer by Ear: Tim Simek – South 2

Limit 20. Participants must bring their own mountain dulcimer.

3:30 – 4 PM: NEW! 900 Miles and Then Some: Hiking the Trails of GSMNP: Judy Bryant – North 2

Join Judy as she discusses keeping a hiking journal and answers questions about hiking all the maintained trails of GSMNP.

3:30 – 4:30 PM: NEW! Understanding the Essentials of Light: A Photographer’s Guide to “Seeing” the Light and Using It To Achieve Your Photographic Intent: Douglas Hubbard – North 1

3:30 – 4:30 PM: NEW! Why is a Fed Bear a Dead Bear?: The Perils of Feeding a Bear: Joel Zachry – Greenbrier Hall C

4 – 5 PM: KIDS’ TRACK! LIMITED! The Blue and the Grey: Be a Civil War Soldier: Mike Meldrum – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 30.

4 – 5:30 PM: Old Time String Band Concert: Boogertown Gap – LeConte Hall South

4:30 – 5:30 PM: NEW! Insect Pollination of Flowers: Leon Bates – North 2
Join Leon as he discusses how insect pollinators ensure biodiversity and stability of our native plant communities. This critical process will be illustrated and discussed.

4:30 – 5:30 PM: Wild Camp Cookery with Horace Kephart: Ila Hatter – North 3
Horace Kephart, author of Camping and Woodcraft, became adept at successful campfire cooking methods. Join Ila as she explains how he did it and what “wild things” he foraged for his “meat and vegetables.”

4:30 – 5:30 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! A One Man Portrayal of Elkmont’s Uncle Lem Ownby: The Last Living Resident of GSMNP: Carroll McMahan – Greenbrier Hall A

4:30 – 5:30 PM: NEW! Photography: Art, Documentation, Fun or Profit?: Clay Thurston – Greenbrier Hall B
Join Clay as he illustrates how photography can be used for art, documentation, fun and for making money.

5 – 6:30 PM: Civil War in the West, 1862: Jack Carman – North 1

5:30 – 6:30 PM: HERITAGE! The Walker Sisters of Little Greenbrier: Robin Goddard – Greenbrier Hall C

6 PM: Tuesday Hikes & Field Trips Sign-ups – Greenbrier Hall A

6 – 7 PM: Lewis & Clark, Part 2: After the Expedition: Peter & Gudrun Seifert – North 3

6 – 7 PM: HERITAGE! Native American Flute Concert: Randy McGinnis – LeConte Hall South

7:30 PM: Slow Jam: Tony Thomas and Friends – North 1

7:30 PM: SUNDAY KEYNOTE PROGRAM! NEW! The Roughrider and the Tramp: The Last Night Camping at Bridalveil Meadow: Lee Stetson and Alan Sutterfield – Greenbrier Hall C
Join John Muir and President Theodore Roosevelt as they share rousing stories of bear encounters, wild horses, boat rustlers and passenger pigeons, and reveal how the American wilderness shaped these very different men. Learn how their charismatic and passionate discussions sparked a battle that resulted in the creation of Yosemite as a National Park.

Monday, January 26

9 – 10 AM: Black Bear Management in GSMNP: Bill Stiver – North 1

9 – 11 AM: NEW! Our Journey on the Appalachian Trail: Bill & Sharon Van Horn – North 2
Join Bill & Sharon as they share photos, stories and experiences of their eight year section hike of the Appalachian Trail.

9:30 – 10:30 AM: NEW! Attracting Birds Without Bird Seed: Regina Garr – Greenbrier Hall B

9:30 – 10:30 AM: LIMITED! Making a Gemstone Bracelet: LaDonna Twyman – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 8, ages 18+. Participants join LaDonna as she instructs them on how to make a gemstone toggle bracelet to take home with them using semi-precious stones, silver toggles and spacer beads.

9:30 – 10:30 AM: NEW! LIMITED! Introduction to Needlepoint: Mary Warner – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 15, ages 12+.

10 – 11 AM: NEW! Mystery of the Trees: Donald Wells – North 3
Join Donald as he explores the Native Americans use of trees to mark trails, water sources, ceremonial sites and more. Tribal elders have shared their knowledge about these ancient customs.

10 – 11 AM: HERITAGE! Logging Railroads in the Smokies: Rick Turner – Greenbrier Hall A
Join Rick as he provides an in-depth look at how railroads forever changed the Great Smoky Mountains, specifically the Elkmont area in the way people lived and worked there prior to the establishment of the Park.

10 – Noon: NEW! LIMITED! Learn How to Scan and Digitalize Old Photographs or Negatives/Slides: Bob Keim – South 1
Limit 8, bring some pictures/slides. Participants should have computer knowledge.

10:30 – Noon: NEW! Hiking and Backpacking: Getting Started Safely and Correctly: Mike Braun, Bill Deitzer and Pamela Rodgers – North 1

10:30 – 11:30 AM: NEW! The Spirit of John Muir: Lee Stetson – Greenbrier Hall C
Join Lee as he takes attendees back in time on a fun romp through some of the very best of Muir's grand, thrilling adventures in his beloved western wilderness. Stories include Muir's encounters with a mighty Yosemite earthquake, dangerous Alaskan ice crevasses, snow blindness, and much more - all liberally salted with Muir's wilderness philosophy. The theme of this session revolves around the health and invigoration one acquires when one fully and joyfully engages wildness.

11 – Noon: National Wildlife Refuges in Tennessee: Jim Wigginton – Greenbrier Hall B
Join Jim as he discusses management and overview of national wildlife refuges in Tennessee, with an emphasis on Tennessee National and Reelfoot.

11 – Noon: NEW! LIMITED! Paint Your Own Watercolor Note Cards: Melanie Fetterolf – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 15, ages 12+.

11 – Noon: Songs of the Carter Family: Tony Thomas – LeConte Hall South

11 – Noon: Reverend Robert Hall, Bishop of the Cumberland Monologue: Will Rabert – South 2
Join Will as he portrays the Reverend Robert Hall, founder of the Cumberland Mountain School.

11:30 – 12:30 PM: NEW! The Heart of a Wildlife Rehabilitator: Olivia & Tammie Browning – North 2

11:30 – 12:30 PM: HERITAGE! The Story of Pittman Center: Glenn Cardwell – North 3

12:30 – 1:30 PM: NEW! Year-Round Landscaping for Birds and Other Wildlife: Dana Ripper – Greenbrier Hall A

12:30 – 1:30 PM: NEW! Tenting on the Old Campground: Music of the Civil War Period: Timothy Seaman – LeConte Hall South
Join Timothy for a concert featuring tunes from the rich heritage of the Civil War era, with lots of stories and meanings.

12:30 – 2 PM: LIMITED! 10 Hints for a Successful Backyard Wildlife Habitat: Advice from a Lifetime Master Gardener: Dr. Leo & Linda Lubke – South 1
Limit 30.

12:45 – 2:15 PM: LIMITED! Beginning Hammer Dulcimer: Tim Simek – South 2
Limit 20. Participants must bring own instrument.

1 – 2 PM: NEW! Landscaping Attributes of Native Trees, Shrubs and Vines: Leon Bates – North 3

1 – 2 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Snakes Alive!: Rhonda Goins and Whitney Calhoun – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 30.

1:15 – 2:15 PM: Leave No Trace: The Principles of Outdoor Ethics: Mike Braun and Pamela Rodgers – North 1

1:30 – 2:30 PM: Outsmart Your Smartphone: Rich Iceland – Greenbrier Hall B
Join Rich as he provides tips on how to use all the features of any cell phone. Fun and informative, Rich reveals how to save a wet phone, how to download different apps and more.

1:30 – 2:30 PM: NEW! John Muir's Story of Stickeen: Lee Stetson – Greenbrier Hall C
Join Lee as he shares John Muir's true story of what happened on an Alaskan glacier with a dog named Stickeen, in 1880, is one of Muir's best-known writings, and is now considered a classic dog story. Although it can be read as a straight adventure story, it is much more than that. Muir's story is most compelling because it revealed to Muir that man and dog were not so unlike each other. Stickeen was at first an unfriendly little dog, but after surviving a perilous journey across a glacier by crossing an ice bridge, Stickeen's aloofness is replaced by rapturous emotion, revealing to Muir the fact that our "horizontal brothers" are not that much unlike us.

2 – 3 PM: NEW! Birds of Prey Program and Live Bird Show: American Eagle Foundation – Greenbrier Hall A

2 – 3 PM: KIDS' TRACK! LIMITED! Fred and Ted the Fish: Keep Sevier Beautiful – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room

Limit 25, ages 8+. Participants will follow two fish on journeys through the local waters. One finds out how pollution and storm water ruins his travels.

2 – 3 PM: Songs and Stories from the Cabin Porch: Tony Thomas – LeConte Hall South

2:30 – 3:30 PM: NEW! The Forced Removal of the Cherokee in 1838: Chris Tipton – North 2

Join Chris as she discusses the finding of a journal that started a personal rediscovery of one of our nation's saddest events – The Trail of Tears.

2:30 – 3:30 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! History of Pigeon River Pottery (w/ Demo): Tommy Bullen – North 3

2:30 – 4 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Recycle Scraps Into Rag Rugs and Trivets: Maria Holloway – Bob Kolb Memorial Room

Limit 15, ages 15+.

2:30 – 4:30 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Ball Point Pen Drawing: William Hurst and Maurice Edwards – South 1

Limit 12, ages 18+. Participants join Maurice and William as they teach a convenient way to practice drawing skills with a common ballpoint pen. Bring your favorite pen or use one of the instructors' and learn to create a pen and ink landscape.

2:45 – 4:45 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Make an Appalachian Corn Shuck Doll: Anne Freels – South 2

Limit 8.

3 – 4 PM: NEW! Zion and Other Southwest National Parks: Peter & Gudrun Seifert – North 1

Join Peter & Gudrun as they share their hiking adventures in Zion, Bryce, Arches and more National Parks.

3:15 – 4:15 PM: NEW! Vanishing America: Kathy Gwinn – Greenbrier Hall C

From chimney sweeps to "borning rooms," rag paper to "sabbady houses," this session examines the passing of various trades and tools, sights and sounds, vocabulary and virtues that once were common to our country.

3:30 – 5 PM: Civil War in the West, 1863: Jack Carman – Greenbrier Hall A

4 – 5 PM: Ranger Recollections: Joe Kelley – North 2

Join retired NPS Ranger Joe Kelley as he shares stories and adventures regarding his experiences in the National Park Service.

4 – 5 PM: HERITAGE! Mock Trial: Let History Judge: Sevier County High School drama and government classes – North 3

Join SCHS students and teachers as they present a mock trial straight from the pages of old Sevier County court dockets.

5 – 6 PM: NEW! Attracting and Photographing Birds: Daniel & Denise Dempster – North 1

5 – 6 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Build a Little Bird Nest Box: Steve Garr – South 1
Limit 15, one nest box per family. Please bring screwdriver for assembly.

5:30 – 6:30 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! Medicine Women of the Smokies: Dr. Gail Palmer – North 2
Join Dr. Palmer as she discusses women who resided in the Smokies in the late 1800s to early 1900s and how they served as herbalists or midwives.
Video Presentation.

5:30 – 6:30 PM: NEW! Advanced Raptor Biology: Natalie Mong – North 3

5:30 – 6:30 PM: HERITAGE! Old Time Hymns: Don Huskey, Marcia Huskey Nelson, Roger Helton and Andy Stinnett – Greenbrier Hall C
Listen to melodies that carried from the open windows of little mountain churches of the past.

6 PM: Wednesday Hikes & Field Trips Sign-ups – Greenbrier Hall A

7 – 8 PM: Tales from Lost: Tales of Search and Rescue in Great Smoky Mountains National Park: Dwight McCarter – Greenbrier Hall B

8:15 PM: NEW! Heaven and Nature Sing: Ken Jenkins, Judy Felts and Friends – Greenbrier Hall C
Each year attendees are blown away by the power of this special evening program of faith and God's majestic beauty in the natural world.

Tuesday, January 27

9 – 10 AM: Green Power Providers: Lucas Harkleroad – North 2

Join Lucas as he discusses producing electricity with renewables, energy efficiency and grid tie systems.

9 – 10 AM: Restoring Tennessee's Nesting Osprey: Ken Dubke – South 2

**Slide Presentation.*

9:30 – 10:30 AM: NEW! Rocks and Stones: Actual and Art: Pat Thomas – North 1

Join Pat as she compares rock formations to the art of watercolor marbling stone patterns as art reflects life.

9:30 – 10:30 AM: NEW! Medicinal Gardening Good for You and the Earth!: A Discussion of Medicinal Herbs, Both Cultivated and Native, as Well as Their Uses: Dana Ripper – North 3

9:30 – 10:30 AM: NEW! Who's Nesting in Your Nestbox?: Regina Garr – Greenbrier Hall B

9:30 – 10:30 AM: Bringing Sustainable Development to Badly Developed Kenya: Don Richards – Greenbrier Hall C

Join Don as he describes how environmental degradation on the shores of and in Lake Victoria in Western Kenya has happened, as well as the effects on the people and remedies.

9:30 – 10:30 AM: LIMITED! The Art of Dowsing: Charlie Monday – Bob Kolb Memorial Room

Limit 30. Participants join Charlie to see if they have the gift of dowsing.

9:30 – 11 AM: NEW! LIMITED! Potholder Loom Weaving: Sherry Mummert – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room

Limit 10, ages 10+. Participants will join Sherry as she teaches them by using cotton loopers, a square potholder will be woven on a small loom.

10 – 11 AM: HERITAGE! Meet Mr. Herbert Clabo: Herbert Clabo with Veta King, Pigeon Forge Public Library, interviewer – Greenbrier Hall A

Join Mr. Clabo as he shares stories of living more than 100 years in the Great Smoky Mountains and Roaring Fork.

10 – 1 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Studio Lighting Workshop for Photographers of All Experience Levels:

Douglas Hubbard – South 1

Limit 20, ages 16+.

10:30 – 11:30 AM: Awesome 'Possum: The Natural History of the Opossum: Lynne McCoy – North 2

Join Lynne as she discusses the history of the opossum and shares a special DVD.

10:50 – 11:50 AM: Energy, Effort and Passion: Volunteering in Great Smoky Mountains National Park: Christine Hoyer – Greenbrier Hall C

11 – Noon: Keeping Your Forest Healthy: Glenn Taylor – North 1`

11 – Noon: Arches Along the Way: Arches and Natural Bridges Along Tennessee’s Trails: Keith Garnes – North 3

11 – Noon: KIDS’ TRACK! Wild World of Animals: Knoxville Zoomobile – Greenbrier Hall B
Live animals!

11:30 – 12:30 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! Vintage Postcards of Great Smoky Mountains National Park: Adam Alfrey – Greenbrier Hall A

11:30 – 12:30 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Painting Violets on a Sweatshirt or T-Shirt: Lois Armstrong – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 10, must bring own white t-shirt or sweatshirt.

Noon – 1 PM: NEW! Homeowners’ Guide for Preventing and Controlling Invasive Plants: Leon Bates – North 2

12:15 – 1:15 PM: Identifying Local Birds of Prey: Stephen Lyn Bales – Greenbrier Hall C

12:30 – 1:30 PM: NEW! From Rugs to Hugs: My Adventures with Bears: David Whitehead – North 1
Join David as he recounts his adventures with bears from an early age to more than 30 years as a wildlife biologist in Tennessee.

1 – 2 PM: Waterfalls of Tennessee: Bill Carter – North 3
Slide Presentation

1 – 2 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! Over in the Holler: Ruth Carr Miller – Greenbrier Hall A
Join Ruth as she shares short stories of mountaineers who lived between the hills and hollers of these mountains.

1 – 2 PM: LIMITED! The Art of Dowsing: Charlie Monday – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 30. Participants join Charlie to see if they have the gift of dowsing.

1 – 2 PM: Reverend Dr. John Burnett, Founder of Pittman Community Monologue: Will Rabert – South 2
Join Will as he portrays Reverend Dr. John Burnett, founder of Pittman Center school, clinic and churches in the mountains.

1 – 3 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Carving and Painting an Owl, Part One: Don Taylor – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 10, two day session. Participants must bring own sharp carving tools and paint brushes.

1:30 – 2:30 PM: NEW! Managing Tennessee’s Wildlife: Successes and Failures: Daryl Ratajczak – North 2
Join Daryl as he discusses how managing Tennessee’s wildlife is an ongoing struggle full of ups and downs. Hear about TWRA’s greatest successes and hardest struggles.

1:45 – 2:45 PM: NEW! Historic Rugby, Tennessee: Where Nature and History Collide: Michael Harris – Greenbrier Hall C
Join Michael as he discusses the history and preservation of this restored Victorian village that was founded in 1880 by British author and social reformer, Thomas Hughes.

2 – 3 PM: NEW! For Love of the Smokies: Hiking the Trails of GSMNP: J.L. Stepp – North 1

2 – 3 PM: NEW! In Presence of the Elders: Donald Wells – Greenbrier Hall B

Join Donald as he discusses what can be learned from tribal elders he has interviewed and filmed regarding their loss of culture, as well as about their spirituality and wisdom.

2 – 3 PM: HERITAGE! Music and Songs of the Smokies: Tony Thomas – LeConte Hall South

2 – 4 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Make an Appalachian Mountain Corn Shuck Doll: Anne Freels – South 1
Limit 8.

2:30 – 3:30 PM: NEW! Bays Mountain: A Walk in the Park: Rhonda Goins – North 3

2:30 – 4 PM: LIMITED! Intermediate and Advanced Hammer Dulcimer: Tim Simek – South 2
Limit 20. Participants must bring own instrument.

3 – 4 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! Early Pigeon Forge: The Start of Something BIG!: Veta King, Pigeon Forge Public Library – North 2

Join Veta as she shares a special video presentation that brings Pigeon Forge's history to life.

3 – 4 PM: NEW! Winter: A Time of Nature Observation: Joel Zachry – Greenbrier Hall A

Join Joel as he provides entertaining narration in nature's winter treasures, including landscapes, plants and animal signs.

3:15 – 4:45 PM: NEW! The Who, What and Where of the Matter: Kathy Gwinn – Greenbrier Hall C

Join Kathy as she tells attendees stories behind some of the most loved and remembered people, places and events in our country. As listeners, you get to answer the who, what and where of each story.

3:30 – 4 PM: LIMITED! Beginning Clogging Lessons: J.K. & Doris Patton – LeConte Hall South
Limit 20.

3:30 – 4:30 PM: Survival Lessons Learned in an Aircraft Accident: Joe Taft – Greenbrier Hall B

Join Joe as he relates practical survival lessons appropriate for any situation he learned in a multi-engine A.F. aircraft accident in the Atlantic Ocean.

3:30 – 4:30 PM: NEW! LIMITED! The Uses of Essential Oils in Household Products: Alison Houston – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room

Limit 10, ages 16+. Participants learn to make a household cleaner to take home with them.

3:30 – 5 PM: Civil War in the West, 1864-1865: Jack Carman – North 1

4 – 5 PM: Civil War Medical: Medicine of 1860s: Bill Walker – North 3

4:15 – 4:45 PM: LIMITED! Beginning Clogging Lessons: J.K. & Doris Patton – LeConte Hall South
Limit 20.

4:30 – 5:30 PM: NEW! Great Smoky Mountains History You May Not Know: Joe Kelley – North 2

Join retired NPS Ranger Joe Kelley as he shares little-known facts about events, plans and occurrences in the Smokies.

4:30 – 5:30 PM: NEW! Beauty and the Beast: A Photographic Introduction to Hillwalking in Scotland: Andy Drinnon – Greenbrier Hall A

4:30 – 5:30 PM: KIDS' TRACK! LIMITED! Animal Olympics: Mike Meldrum – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 30. Participants will join Mike as they compete in a program that tests animals' abilities with humans.

4:45 – 5:45 PM: KIDS' TRACK! LIMITED! Be a Junior Bear Curator for Appalachian Bear Rescue: Kathy Sherrard and ABR's K-8 Education Team – South 1
Limit 20, ages 5 – 12.

5 – 6 PM: NEW! Down the Grand Canyon on a Raft: The Ultimate Camping Trip: Mark Evans – Greenbrier Hall B
Video Presentation.

5 – 6:30 PM: HERITAGE! Smoky Mountain Inhabitants and Their Music: Boogertown Gap – LeConte Hall South

5:15 – 6:45 PM: NEW! The History of Greenbrier: People, Homesites and the Establishment of GSMNP: Mike Maples: Greenbrier Hall C

5:30 – 6:30 PM: Bears, Boars and Bulls: A Wild Life with the Smokies' Critters!: Kim Delozier – North 3
Join Kim as he shares stories (some funny, others exciting and a couple scary ones, too) of managing wildlife of the Smokies over a 32-year career as a wildlife biologist.

5:45 – 6:45 PM: NEW! Winter Birds and Wintering Waterfowl of East Tennessee: Randy Hedgepath – North 1

6 PM: Thursday Hikes & Field Trips Sign-ups – Greenbrier Hall A

6:30 – 7:30 PM: NEW! Dragonflies of Tennessee: Marty Silver – Greenbrier Hall B
Join Marty as he discusses all things dragonfly and damselfly related. This session discusses how dragonflies are indicators of the health of our nearby environments and will provide participants information on how to observe, photograph and identify these amazing insects. Also, learn how you can be involved in their protection.

7 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! Store Britches: A Play Celebrating Our Appalachian Heritage: Directed by Sabrina Gray – LeConte Hall South
This special historical comedy was written by Gatlinburg's own Lula Mae Ogle and was performed for the first time in 1936. For three seasons in the 1930's, Store Britches was utilized as a special fundraiser for the Gatlinburg Weaver's Club. Some 80 years later, the play has been rediscovered and is produced by the Gatlinburg Garden Club as a fundraiser for the Lucinda Oakley Ogle cabin.

7:30 PM: Slow Jam: Tony Thomas and Friends – North 1

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9 – 10 AM: Restoring the Whooping Crane to the Eastern Flyway: Ken Dubke – North 1
**Slide Presentation.*

9 – 10 AM: Hosting Hummingbirds: Regina Garr – Greenbrier Hall C

9 – 10 AM: LIMITED! The Art of Dowsing: Charlie Monday – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 30. Participants join Charlie to see if they have the gift of dowsing.

9 – Noon: LIMITED! Painting a Smoky Mountain Waterfall: Dick Ensing – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 16, ages 18+.

9:30 – 10:30 AM: History of Bays Mountain Park: Rhonda Goins – North 2

10 – 11 AM: HERITAGE! Flyin' Bullets and the Resplendent Badge: Ersa Rhea Noland Smith – North 3
Join Mrs. Smith as she shares the riveting account of her father, Sheriff Ray C. Noland's years in office in Sevier County.

10 – 11 AM: Wonderful Waterfalls: Bill Carter – Greenbrier Hall A
Slide Presentation

10 – 11 AM: NEW! Hiking Mt. Whitney in One Day: Jim Pader – Greenbrier Hall B

10 – 11:30 AM: KIDS' TRACK! LIMITED! Booger: A Tall Tale of the Mountains: Mary Phillips – South 1
Limit 60, ages 5-10. Participants join Mary as she tells the story of about a firefly, a boy named Booger and his faithful cat, Stinker. Kids learn to use the Great Smoky Mountain Wildflower guide book. Program meets curriculum standards for science, literature, life skills and art.

10 – 11:30 AM: NEW! LIMITED! Ancient Rhythms: Learn to Play the Native American Flute: Megan Griffin – South 2
Limit 30, must bring own flute. If participants do not have one, educational Native American flutes can be purchased for a small fee from Great Smoky Mountains Heritage Center's booth in LeConte Hall North.

10:30 – 11:30 AM: NEW! How to Start an Herb Garden: Judy Felts – North 1

10:30 – 11:30 AM: The Spirits of Cades Cove: Mike Meldrum – Greenbrier Hall C
Video Presentation.

11 – 11:30 AM: NEW! 900 Miles and Then Some: Hiking the Trails of GSMNP: Judy Bryant – North 2
Join Judy as she discusses keeping a hiking journal and answers questions about hiking all the maintained trails of GSMNP.

11 – Noon: NEW! LIMITED! Paint Your Own Watercolor Notecards: Melanie Fetterolf – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 15, ages 12+.

11:30 – 12:30 PM: NEW! Horace Kephart Monologue: Will Rabert – North 3
Join Will as he portrays Horace Kephart, author of “Our Southern Highlanders,” hiker and explorer of the Smokies, as well as a founder of Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

11:30 – 12:30 PM: NEW! Restoring the Mighty American Chestnut to its Native Range: Tom Saielli – Greenbrier Hall A

11:30 – 12:30 PM: NEW! Off the Beaten Path: An Up-close Look at the Obed Wild and Scenic River National Park: Veronica Greear – Greenbrier Hall B

11:30 – 12:30 PM: Appalachian Music Concert: Carolina Bluegrass Boys and Appalachian Cloggers – LeConte Hall South
Attendees will enjoy this special bluegrass performance and can even get up and clog with the Appalachian Cloggers!

Noon – 1 PM: Audubon and His Birds of America: Stephen Lyn Bales – Greenbrier Hall C

Noon – 2 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Carving and Painting an Owl, Part Two: Don Taylor – South 2
Limit 10, two day session. Participants must bring own sharp carving tools and paint brushes.

12:30 – 1:30 PM: HERITAGE! The Story of Greenbrier Cove: Glenn Cardwell – North 1

12:30 – 1:30 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Whittle a Mountain Flower: Jacki Proffitt – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 10, ages 16+. Participants must bring own sharpened pocket knife.

12:30 – 1:30 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Making a Hand Broom for Decoration: David Ogle – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 10, ages 16+.

12:30 – 1:30 PM: Never too Young, Never Too Old: W.C. & Glenna Julian and Tammie & Olivia Browning – South 1
Join the Julians and Brownings as they discuss how no one is ever too young or too old to work on a backyard habitat. They will also provide encouragement for attendees to certify their backyards with National Wildlife.

1 – 2 PM: To Niagara and Back by Waterfall: Bill Carter – North 2
Slide Presentation

1 – 2 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! Books, Blue Jeans and Basketball: Panel featuring Gwendell Cody, Donna Allen and Ron Rader with Veta King, Pigeon Forge Public Library, interviewer – North 3
Join former Pigeon Forge Grammar School students as they reminisce about the old white building on the hill.

1 – 2 PM: HERITAGE! Smoky Mountain Ballads and Songs: Boogertown Gap – LeConte Hall South

1 – 2:30 PM: NEW! Walking the Via Tolosana and More in France: Olga Pader – Greenbrier Hall B

1:30 – 2:30 PM: NEW! Adventures of an African Game Ranger: Don Richards – Greenbrier Hall A
Join Don as he shares stories of personal adventures while leading wilderness trails in big game country of South Africa.

1:30 – 2:30 PM: NEW! Sail On, Honeybee: Adventures in the Bee Yard: Doug Elliott – Greenbrier Hall C
Join master storyteller, harmonica wizard and longtime beekeeper Doug Elliott as he tells outlandish tales from the world of bees and beekeeping. Doug will cover practical advice on how to treat a bee sting and how to catch a bee swarm – also what to do if you are high up in a tree and 50,000 bees fall on your head! You will definitely want to “bee” here to hear all of Doug’s bee stories!

2 – 3 PM: It’s Puppy Time at Bays Mountain: Rick & Rhonda Goins – North 1

2 – 3 PM: LIMITED! The Art of Dowsing: Charlie Monday – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 30. Participants join Charlie to see if they have the gift of dowsing.

2 – 3 PM: KIDS’ TRACK! LIMITED! Garbage Pizza: Keep Sevier Beautiful – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 25, ages 8+. Participants learn about solid waste disposable options comparing Sevier County to the United States.

2 – 3 PM: NEW! KIDS’ TRACK! Natural Treasures of the Obed: Use Your Senses to Discover Natural Features of the Park: Veronica Greear – South 1

2:30 – 3:30 PM: HERITAGE! History of the Old Mill District: From the Original Settler to the Present Day: Jimmy Edge – North 3

2:30 – 3:30 PM: String Band Music of Our American Roots: Lost Mill String Band – LeConte Hall South

3 – 4 PM: Ranger Family Recollections: Joe Kelley and Sons – North 2
Join Joe and his sons as they share experiences of life in a ranger station.

3 – 4 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! The History and the Stories of the Cherokee in the Smokies: Jon Elder – Greenbrier Hall A
Join Jon, a fifth generation Sevier County resident and member of the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians, as he shares the history and some Indian folklore of the earliest inhabitants of the Smoky Mountains. From the earliest traces of the Cherokee presence to the first encounters with Europeans to the removal and rebirth of the Eastern Cherokee tribe, Jon will share his family history and stories of growing up “on both sides of the mountain.”

3 – 4 PM: NEW! The Birds of Prey: History and Biology of a Variety of Live Birds and Prey: David Haggard – Greenbrier Hall B
Live birds including a Bald Eagle, hawks and owls. Meet and learn about these fascinating birds!

3 – 4 PM: NEW! Adventure Course Teambuilding at Bays Mountain Park: Mark Kilgore – Greenbrier Hall C
Join Mark as he discusses the Bays Mountain Park Adventure Course and what elements it has to offer and how they work on teamwork, leadership, trust and stamina.

3:30 – 4:30 PM: NEW! Life Circle of Butterflies: Lois Worthington – North 1

3:30 – 4:30 PM: KIDS' TRACK! LIMITED! Pioneer and Historical Toys: Roy Henson – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room

Limit 20, ages 10+. Participants join Roy as he instructs them on how to make historical style toys pioneers would have had in days gone by.

3:30 – 4:30 PM: Learn to Play Spoons and Washtub Bass: Boogertown Gap – South 2

4 – 5 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! Great Smoky Mountains National Park in Historic Photographs: Steve Cotham – North 3

4 – 5 PM: NEW! Gardens, Weeds and John Barleycorn: Celebrating the Culture in Agriculture: Doug Elliott – LeConte Hall South

Join master storyteller, harmonica wizard Doug Elliott as he celebrates all things agriculture related in story and song.

4 – 5:30 PM: LIMITED! Drawing to Identify Trees: Maurice Edwards and William Hurst – South 1

Limit 12, ages 18+. Participants join a professional botanist and an artist to draw tree parts toward the goal of species identification. Bring own art supplies and plant material or use instructors' pencils, paper and subject matter.

4:30 – 5:30 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! The Cemeteries of the Smokies: Dr. Gail Palmer – North 2

Join Dr. Palmer as she discusses the various cemeteries of the Smokies.

4:30 – 5:30 PM: HERITAGE! The Civilian Conservation Corps: FDR's Tree Army: Bill Deitzer – Greenbrier Hall A

Join Bill as he discusses the legacy of the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) which built several of our national parks including the Great Smoky Mountains and Shenandoah National Parks. Bill will cover the why, the who and the results of this unique corps of 1930's young men.

4:30 – 5:30 PM: NEW! Conservation of America's Birds: History and Modern Issues: Dana Ripper – Greenbrier Hall B

Join Dana as she discusses extinct native birds and the conservation issues facing birds today.

4:30 – 5:30 PM: NEW! How Bear Cubs Learn to Be Bears: Kathy Sherrard – Greenbrier Hall C

Join Kathy as she illustrates the differences of black bear cubs living in the wild to those rehabilitated at Appalachian Bear Rescue.

4:30 – 6 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Workshop for Teachers to Utilize Storytelling and Booger's Tall Tales in the Classroom: Mary Phillips – Bob Kolb Memorial Room.

Limit 30.

5 – 6 PM: LIMITED! Beginners Acoustic Guitar Workshop: Tony Thomas – South 2

Limit 10. Participants must bring own acoustic guitar.

5:30 – 6:30 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! The Blue Mountains Sing of Rivers, Old Men, Trails, and Trout: Ron Rader – North 3

Join Ron, a Pigeon Forge native son, and hear his boyhood chronicles as he and his friends come of age in the 1940s and 1950s era as they roam in yesteryear's Pigeon Forge, Great Smoky Mountain National Park, Elkmont and beyond.

5:30 – 6:30 PM: Appalachian Music Concert: Carolina Bluegrass Boys and Appalachian Cloggers – LeConte Hall South

Attendees will enjoy this special bluegrass performance and can even get up and clog with the Appalachian Cloggers!

6 PM: Friday Hikes & Field Trips Sign-ups – Greenbrier Hall A

6:30 – 7:30 PM: NEW! Giving Bears a Second Chance: Rehabbing Black Bears: Coy Blair – Greenbrier Hall B

7:30 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! The History of the University of Tennessee's Internationally-Recognized "Body Farm": Dr. Bill Bass – Greenbrier Hall C

Join Dr. Bass as he discusses the history of the original "Body Farm" founded at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

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9 – 10 AM: NEW! How to Conduct a Survivor Competition: Mark Kilgore – Greenbrier Hall B

9 – Noon: LIMITED! Painting a Smoky Mountain Waterfall: Dick Ensing – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 16, ages 18+.

9:30 – 10:30 AM: NEW! Stayin' Alive: Preparing Healthy Home Cooked Meals: Susan Bicksler – North 1

9:30 – 10:30 AM: Woodpeckers: Nature's Home Builders: Regina Garr – Greenbrier Hall C

9:30 – 12:30: LIMITED! Basket Making: Theresa Tyler – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 8. Limit 8. Participants will join Theresa as she teaches them the Appalachian art of basket making.

10 – 11 AM: HERITAGE! People Who Shaped Great Smoky Mountains National Park, Part 1: Bill Deitzer – Greenbrier Hall A

10 – 11:30 AM: The Wolves of Bays Mountain: Rick & Rhonda Goins – North 2

10:30 – 11:30 AM: NEW! Omnivore's Dilemma Revisited: How Your Food Choices Affect Our Planet: Dana Ripper – Greenbrier Hall B
Join Dana as she discusses our modern food system, its detrimental effects on the environment and how consumers can have a major impact on the situation.

10:30 – Noon: Do It Yourself: Building a Backyard Bird Habitat: Mark Dunaway – North 3

11 – Noon: Wildflowers of the Southern Highlands: Jack Carman – North 1

11 – Noon: Tennessee State Parks of Mideast Tennessee and the Cumberland Plateau: Robin Peeler Wooten – Greenbrier Hall C

11:30 – 12:30 PM: Update on the Smokies' All Taxa Biodiversity Inventory: 16 Years and Counting!: Todd Witcher – Greenbrier Hall A

Noon – 1 PM: NEW! Look and Touch Wildlife Program: Chris Ogle – Greenbrier Hall B
Kids and adults alike can join Chris as he introduces them to preserved wildlife specimens and some live reptiles. Main focus of this session is on nongame wildlife including small mammals, reptiles and amphibians.

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12:30 – 1:30 PM: NEW! Reelfoot Lake: Celebrating 200 Years: David Haggard – North 1
Join David as he shares the history and beauty of Reelfoot Lake – Tennessee's earthquake lake.

12:30 – 1:30 PM: NEW! Fabulous Finches and Pretty Pinesiskins: Learn All About Goldfinches, Purplefinches, Housefinches and Pinesiskins and How to Attract Them: Steve Garr – Greenbrier Hall C

12:30 – 1:30 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Painting Magnolias on Sweatshirts or T-Shirts: Lois Armstrong – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room

Limit 10, must bring own white t-shirt or sweatshirt.

12:30 – 1:30 PM: HERITAGE! Ballads and Ballad Singers of the Smoky Mountains: Boogertown Gap – LeConte Hall South

1 – 2 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Introduction to Needlepoint: Mary Warner – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 15, ages 12+.

1 – 2:15 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Helping a Native Landscape Grow: Dr. Leo & Linda Lubke, W.C. & Glenna Julian, Lois Worthington, Donna Little and Roger Simpson – South 1
Limit 30.

1 – 4 PM: Introduction to Tracking People Outdoors: Joe Kelley, Joey Holt and Dwight McCarter – Greenbrier Hall A

1:30 – 2:30 PM: NEW! Gardening: Good for Your Mind, Body and So Much More!: Dr. Sue Hamilton – North 2

1:30 – 2:30 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! Remembrance: Backcountry Cemeteries in Great Smoky Mountains National Park: Renée Michot and Jim Rigsby – North 3

1:30 – 2:30 PM: NEW! Buried Alive: A Little Girl's Narrow Escape and an Herb Doctor's Cure: Cherel Henderson – Greenbrier Hall B
The body was laid out, the casket being built, when someone noticed movement under the coverlet. Cora Ogle escaped being buried alive, only to face life as a cripple. Join Cherel as she tells the amazing story of a little girl's will and an herb doctor's most unusual cure.

2 – 3 PM: NEW! Wildfire! Preventing Home Ignitions: Leon Konz – North 1
Join Leon as he discusses the things homeowners and whole communities can do to make themselves safer from wildfires. Fire prevention, landscaping, building materials, housekeeping and community design will be discussed. These are all elements of the Tennessee Division of Forestry's programs.

2 – 3 PM: Ghost Birds: Jim Tanner and the Ivory-Billed Woodpecker: Stephen Lyn Bales – Greenbrier Hall C

2 – 3 PM: KIDS' TRACK! LIMITED! Get Growing: Keep Sevier Beautiful – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 25, ages 8+. Participants will make a vase using a plastic two liter bottle, which they will decorate and will be provided with seeds to start a flower.

2 – 3 PM: HERITAGE! Old Time Hymns: Don Huskey, Marcia Huskey Nelson, Roger Helton and Andy Stinnett– LeConte Hall South
Listen to melodies that carried from the open windows of little mountain churches of the past.

2:30 – 3:30 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Make a Grapevine Dreamcatcher: Sue Todd – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 10, ages 15+.

3 – 4 PM: NEW! Understanding Bears: The Habits and Characteristics of North American Bears: Joel Zachry – North 2

3 – 4 PM: NEW! Discovering Tennessee’s Wildlife Diversity: Chris Ogle – Greenbrier Hall B
Join Chris as he discusses several of Tennessee’s little known and, strange and amazing creatures with an emphasis on salamanders, frogs, snakes and bats.

3 – 4 PM: NEW! LIMITED! How to Make Maple Syrup: John Curtis – South 1
Limit 40.

3:30 – 4:30 PM: HERITAGE! The Founding of a National Park: The Establishment of Great Smoky Mountains National Park: Tom Harrington – North 1

3:30 – 4:30 PM: Forest Insects and Disease in Great Smoky Mountains National Park: Jesse Webster – North 3

3:30 – 4:30 PM: Bird’s the Word: Celebrating the World of Birds With Bird Stories, Lore, Songs and Natural History: Doug Elliott – Greenbrier Hall C

3:30 – 4:30 PM: KIDS’ TRACK! LIMITED! Pioneer and Historical Toys: Roy Henson – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 20, ages 10+. Participants join Roy as he instructs them on how to make historical style toys pioneers would have had in days gone by.

3:30 – 5:30 PM: HERIATGE! Old Harp Singing School: David Sarten, leader – LeConte Hall South
In a shorter version of the earlier singing schools of the Great Smoky Mountains region, David Sarten will teach participants how to sing the ‘do-re-mi’ shaped notes.

4:30 – 5:30 PM: NEW! Secrets of Backyard Birds: Stephen Lyn Bales – North 2

4:30 – 5:30 PM: NEW! Pilgrim Walk: A Spiritual Field Guide: Paul & Susanne Hassell – Greenbrier Hall A

4:30 – 5:30 PM: Miracle of the Monarch: From Eggs on Milkweed to Tagging and Releasing the Monarch Butterfly: Glenna Julian and Lois Worthington – Greenbrier Hall B

4:30 – 6 PM: An Experience Thru-Hiking the Appalachian Trail: Bert Kunze – South 1
Video Presentation for Mature Audiences

5 – 6 PM: Nature Recording in the Smokies: Mark Dunaway – North 1

5 – 6 PM: Wildflowers of the Smokies: Jack Carman – North 3

5 – 6 PM: NEW! I Scream, You Scream, We All Scream for Ice Cream: Kathy Gwinn – Greenbrier Hall C
Join Kathy as she gives you the inside “scoop” on America’s favorite food – Ice cream. Added “toppings” include old-time soda shoppes, famous ice cream parlors and Hash-House Lingo.

5 – 6 PM: LIMITED! Old Time Banjo Workshop for Beginners: Tony Thomas – South 2
Limit 10. Participants must bring own banjo.

6 PM: Saturday Hikes & Field Trips Sign-ups – Greenbrier Hall A

6 – 7 PM: Hymns and Songs of Faith: Whaley Family Singers – LeConte Hall South

Join this large Smoky Mountain family from Greenbrier as they share their legacy through song.

6:30 – 7:30 PM: NEW! Looking for America: A 20th Century Hero's Journey With Stories of Cross-Country Hitchhiking and Freight Hopping: Doug Elliott – Greenbrier Hall C

7:30 PM: Slow Jam: Tony Thomas and Friends – North 1

8 PM: NEW! For the Love of the Smokies: A Lifetime of Experiencing the Majestic Beauty of Great Smoky Mountains National Park: Ken Jenkins – Greenbrier Hall C

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8 – Noon: LIMITED! Learning to Use Map & Compass: Terry & LaValla Edgington – South 1
Limit 30, includes bus trip to Patriot Park for field practice.

9 – 10 AM: Fall Creek Falls and the Mid Cumberland Recreation Area: Stuart Carroll – North 2
Video Presentation.

9 – 10:30 AM: NEW! Living with a Pack of Wolves: The Bays Mountain Park Puppy Pack: Rhonda Goins – Greenbrier Hall B

9:30 – 10 AM: NEW! The Seven Principles of the Leave No Trace Practice: Terri Butler – Greenbrier Hall A

9:30 – 10:30 AM: LIMITED! Wire Wrapping a River Rock Pendant: LaDonna Twyman – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 12, ages 18+. Participants will join LaDonna as she instructs them on how to make a local river rock pendant to take home with them using a local river rock and twist wire.

9:30 – 11 AM: NEW! LIMITED! Potholder Loom Weaving: Sherry Mummert – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 10, ages 10+. Participants will join Sherry as she teaches them by using cotton loopers, a square potholder will be woven on a small loom.

10 – 11 AM: NEW! Water, Fish and People: How Are We All Getting Along?: Matt Kulp – North 1
Join Matt as he discusses water quality and fish community issues related to GSMNP and surrounding waters.

10 – 11 AM: NEW! Butterflies: Flying Flowers in the Garden: Kris Light – North 3
Join Kris as she covers butterflies, their life cycles and the plants that can be used in gardens to attract them.

10 – 11 AM: NEW! HERIATGE! Songs of Cades Cove: Madalyn Carpenter – LeConte Hall South

10:30 – 11:30 AM: NEW! Discovering TWRA's Wildlife Management Areas as Wildlife Observation Areas in East Tennessee: Chris Ogle – North 2

10:30 – 11:30 AM: NEW! Eat Taters and Wear No Clothes: Kathy Gwinn – Greenbrier Hall C
Join Kathy as she recalls the spirit and spunk of the original "Tweetsie," the little train with a big heart and its impact on the Doe River Gorge and Roan Mountain area.

10:30 – Noon: Bird Songs of the Smokies: Mark Dunaway – Greenbrier Hall A

11 – Noon: NEW! Let's Talk About the Cherokee: Arlene Eagle – Greenbrier Hall B
Join Arlene as she discusses the development of clothing and the use of beading and various styles in Cherokee culture.

11 – Noon: NEW! LIMITED! Paint Your Own Watercolor Notecards: Melanie Fetterolf – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 15, ages 12+.

11:30 – 12:30 PM: Point and Shoot Flower Photography: Robert Hutson – North 1

11:30 – 12:30 PM: NEW! Acoustics I: Sound and Birds: Ethan Duke – North 3
Join Ethan as he introduces attendees to vocal communication and using sound to study and enjoy birds.

11:30 – 12:30 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Painting Violets on Sweatshirts or T-Shirts: Lois Armstrong – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 10, must bring own white t-shirt or sweatshirt.

11:30 – 12:30 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! Mountain Music from Today's Generation: Madalyn Carpenter and Friends – LeConte Hall South

Noon – 1 PM: NEW! Herbs, Hives and Hens: W.C. & Glenna Julian, Donna Stinett and Mike Clark – North 2

12:30 – 1:30 PM: HERITAGE! Moonshine in Tennessee: Tony Thomas – Greenbrier Hall B

1 – 2 PM: NEW! Insects: Friends or Foes?: Kris Light – North 3
Join Kris as she covers the good, bad, beautiful and ugly of the six-legged critters living around us.

1 – 2 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! Kermit & Lois Shuler Caughron: The Last Cades Cove Residents: Ruth Caughron Davis – Greenbrier Hall A

1 – 2 PM: KIDS' TRACK! LIMITED! Pioneer and Historical Toys: Roy Henson – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 20, ages 10+. Participants join Roy as he instructs them on how to make historical style toys pioneers would have had in days gone by.

1 – 2 PM: KIDS' TRACK! LIMITED! Who Did That?: Fascinating Owls: Lynne McCoy – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 20.

1 – 2 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! Cades Cove and Smoky Mountain Songs: Earl Layhue – LeConte Hall South

1 – 2:30 PM: Where and When to Photograph in the Smokies: Spring and Summer: Roger Trentham – North 1

1 – 4 PM: Famous Searches and Rescues in the Smokies: Joe Kelley, Joey Holt, Dwight McCarter and Judy Wasak – Greenbrier Hall C

1:30 – 2:30 PM: NEW! The Pocket Wilderness Areas of Tennessee: Stuart Carroll – North 2
*Join Stuart as he covers the pocket wilderness areas, such as a Laurel-Snow near Dayton where some of the most beautiful trails in Tennessee. What happened to them?
Video Presentation.*

1:30 – 2:30 PM: Creating and Telling Family Stories: Jim Eastin – South 1

2:30 – 3:30 PM: NEW! Birds of Prey Program and Live Bird Show: American Eagle Foundation – Greenbrier Hall A

2:30 – 3:30 PM: LIMITED! Quill Pens and Inks: Pat Thomas – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 12, ages 12+. Participants must bring own sharp x-acto blade.

2:30 – 3:30 PM: NEW! KIDS' TRACK! LIMITED! Come Bear With Us!: Kathy Sherrard and ABR's K-8 Education Team – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 20, ages 5 – 12.

2:30 – 3:30 PM: Of Ginseng, Golden Apples and the Rainbow Fish: Ancient Tales and a Modern Mythic Adventure: Doug Elliott – LeConte Hall South

3 – 4 PM: NEW! The Dos, Don'ts and How's of Photographing Birds: Clay Thurston – North 1

3 – 4 PM: Photo Journeys in the Eastern United States: Kendall Chiles – North 2

3 – 4 PM: NEW! Critter-Named Creeks, Prongs and Forks of the Smokies: Fred Turner – South 1
Join Fred as he details locations of, as well as trivia about, some of the more than 100 streams in the Smokies with wildlife as their namesakes.

3:30 – 4:30 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! The Making of Moonshine: Old Forge Distillery – Greenbrier Hall B

3:45 – 4:45 PM: Storytelling: Growing Up in Appalachia: Tony Thomas – LeConte Hall South

4 – 5 PM: Wildflowers in Tennessee: Jack Carman – North 3
Video Presentation.

4 – 5:30 PM: Walking in the Beauty of the Natural World: Don McGowan – North 2
Video Presentation

4 – 5:30 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Recycle Scraps Into Rag Rugs and Trivets: Maria Holloway – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 15, ages 15+.

4:15 – 5:15 PM: The Circle of Life: The Bear Facts: Mike Meldrum – Greenbrier Hall A
Video Presentation.

4:30 – 5:30 PM: NEW! Alive Photo: 25+ Pros on Why They Are Outdoor Photographers: Paul Hassell – North 1

4:30 – 5:30 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! Elkmont: Pioneers, Lumberjacks, Summer People and Fireflies: Carroll McMahan – Greenbrier Hall C

4:30 – 6 PM: An Experience Thru-Hiking the John Muir Trail: Bert Kunze – South 1
Video Presentation.

5:30 – 7 PM: NEW! Backpacking the Hawaii Volcanoes National Park: A Photographic Journey: Mark Evans – North 3
Video Presentation.

5:45 – 6:45 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! The History of Bush Brothers & Company: 106 Years and Counting: Max Fultz – Greenbrier Hall A
Join Max as he presents the century-old history of an iconic family business. You will learn about Bush Brothers & Company's 106-year-old canning history and how Bush became the Number One name in beans.
Video Presentation.

6 – 7 PM: Birding 101: How to Identify Birds: Dr. Fred Alsop III – North 2

6 – 7 PM: NEW! Reading Between the Lines: Writing Hiking Guides for National Parks: Charles Maynard – Greenbrier Hall C

6 – 7 PM: Groundhogology: Of Whistlepigs and World Politics: Doug Elliott – LeConte Hall South

7:30 PM: NEW! Talk is Cheap: Bill Landry, Sam Venable, Jim Claborn and Elizabeth Rose – LeConte Hall South

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9 – 9:45 AM: SOUTHERN TROUT FLY FISHING FAIR! NEW! Fly Fishing 101: Dave Carson – South 2

9 – 10 AM: Discovering the Cumberlands: Stuart Carroll – North 2

**Video Presentation.*

9 – 1 PM: Photography Workshop: Warren Bedell, Kendall Chiles and Don McGowan – Greenbrier Hall B

9 – 1 PM: Special Hours for Photo Contest in LeConte Hall North.

9:30 – 10:30 AM: Digital Printing Made Easy: Douglas Hubbard – North 1

9:30 – 10:30 AM: NEW! Yellowstone in Winter: A Photo Tour of Our First National Park: Jerry Whaley – Greenbrier Hall C

**Video Presentation.*

9:30 – 11:30 AM: LIMITED! Design Your Own Wilderness Wildlife Week Bandana: Louise Bales – Bob Kolb Memorial Room

Limit 20, ages 12+. Participants will join Louise as she teaches them how to design their own Wilderness Wildlife Week 25th Anniversary commemorative bandana.

10 – 11 AM: NEW! Eat or Be Eaten: How Animals Protect Themselves: Kris Light – Greenbrier Hall A

10 – 11 AM: NEW! LIMITED! Make a Grapevine Dreamcatcher: Sue Todd – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room

Limit 10, ages 15+.

10 – 10:45 AM: SOUTHERN TROUT FLY FISHING FAIR! NEW! South Holston River Trout: Jon Hopper – South 2

10:30 – 12:30 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Learn How to Scan and Digitalize Old Photographs or Negatives/Slides: Bob Keim – South 1

Limit 8, bring some pictures/slides. Should have computer knowledge.

10:15 – 10:45 AM: NEW! Waterfalls of Tennessee's Highland Rim and Cumberland Plateau Regions: Keith Garnes – North 3

Join Keith as he shares an overview of Tennessee's waterfalls west of GSMNP including Fall Creek Falls, Burgess Falls and numerous others.

11 – 11:30 AM: NEW! Waterfalls of Tennessee's Appalachian Corridor: Keith Garnes – North 3

Join Keith as he shares waterfalls from Polk to Johnson Counties, as well as GSMNP.

11 – Noon: Better Wildflower Pictures: Bob Stephenson – North 1

Join Bob as he provides knowledge on basic camera operation, optics and composition to take excellent flower photos.

11 – Noon: Capturing Wildlife with a Remote Camera: Joel Zachry – Greenbrier Hall C
Join Joel as he shares entertaining stories of capturing wildlife on camera.

11 – 11:45 AM: SOUTHERN TROUT FLY FISHING FAIR! NEW! Traditional Flies of the Smokies: Don Kirk – South 2

11:30 – 1 PM: NEW! KIDS' TRACK! LIMITED! The Red Headed Boogertown Bunch: Mary Phillips – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 30, ages 5-10. Participants join Mary as she continues the Tall Tales of a firefly, a boy named Booger and his faithful cat, Stinker. "Who is your granddaddies uncle's sister? Where did your red hair come from?" Spin a tall tale and color something totally bewildering. Recognize four new native plants. Curriculum standards apply for science, art and literature.

Noon – 1 PM: NEW! Acoustics II: Sound and Birds: Ethan Duke – Greenbrier Hall A
Join Ethan as he introduces attendees to techniques for recording and methods of using sounds to monitor the natural world.

Noon – 1 PM: KIDS' TRACK! LIMITED! Pioneer and Historical Toys: Roy Henson – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 20, ages 10+. Participants join Roy as he instructs them on how to make historical style toys pioneers would have had in days gone by.

Noon – 12:45 PM: SOUTHERN TROUT FLY FISHING FAIR! NEW! Cataloochee: The Far East of GSMNP: Ron Gaddy – South 2

12:30 – 1:30 PM: NEW! Wildlife on White: Meet Your Neighbors: Todd Amacher and Paul Hassell – North 1
Join wildlife photographers and MYN contributors Paul and Todd as they come to inspire you with the story of a worldwide photography movement across the globe that connects people with wildlife in their own backyard.

12:30 – 1:30 PM: NEW! Adventures West: Pat & Wendell Gordy – North 3
Join Pat & Wendell as they share photos and stories from their western U.S. adventure visiting national parks and working and volunteering for the National Elk Refuge and the Greater Yellowstone and Jackson Hole Visitor Center.

12:30 – 1:30 PM: Wild Ones Among Us: Lynne McCoy – Greenbrier Hall C
Join Lynne as she shares the story of wildlife rehabilitation with live animals as ambassadors, including non-releasable animals and their stories and natural history.

1 – 2 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! Cades Cove War Veterans: Dorothy Gregory Sutton – North 2
Join Dorothy as she discusses Cades Cove veterans and how war affected Cades Cove and surrounding communities.

1 – 1:45 PM: SOUTHERN TROUT FLY FISHING FAIR! NEW! Fontana Backcountry Trout: Steve Claxton – South 2

1:30 – 2:30 PM: Range of Light: Capturing the Mood of the Smokies: Jerry Whaley – Greenbrier Hall B

1:30 – 2:30 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Whittle a Mountain Flower: Jacki Proffitt – Bob Kolb Memorial Room
Limit 10, ages 16+. Participants must bring own sharpened pocket knife.

1:30 – 2:30 PM: NEW! LIMITED! Carve a Wildlife Stamp: Pat Thomas – Bob Hatcher Memorial Room
Limit 12, ages 12+.

1:30 – 2:30 PM: Wild Hog Management: Are We Too Late?: David Whitehead – South 1
Join David as he discusses the history of the European wild hogs of Tennessee and the Smokies. Questions to be answered include when did they arrive, how did they spread, problems they cause and behaviors.

2 – 3 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! The Elkmont Community: Missy Tipton Green and Paulette Ledbetter – Greenbrier Hall A
Join Missy and Paulette as they discuss Great Smoky Mountains National Park's historic Elkmont community along with a special photo presentation.

2 – 3 PM: NEW! Attracting and Protecting Bluebirds: Steve Garr – Greenbrier Hall C

2 – 2:45 PM: SOUTHERN TROUT FLY FISHING FAIR! NEW! Bamboo Rods: John Hollifield – South 2

2 – 3:30 PM: Advanced SLR Flower Photography: Robert Hutson – North 1
Join Robert as he provides insight to photographers of all skills on tips and techniques used to capture flower pictures with a single lens reflex camera. No camera required.

2:30 – 3:30 PM: NEW! True Bear Tales: Janet Dalton – North 2
Join Janet as she relates funny and engaging true stories about the black bear cubs rehabilitated by Appalachian Bear Rescue.

3 – 4 PM: Where and When to Photograph in the Smokies: Fall and Winter: Roger Trentham – Greenbrier Hall B

3 – 3:45 PM: SOUTHERN TROUT FLY FISHING FAIR! NEW! Southern Appalachian Fly Fishing Museum: Alen Baker – South 2

3:15 – 6 PM: Photography Contest Pickup: Sherry Lutes and Event Volunteers – LeConte Hall North Concourse

3:30 – 4:30 PM: NEW! The 2014 SCIPE Digital Contest Showcase: Pat Gordy – North 3

3:30 – 4:30 PM: HERITAGE! Tom Davis, Lizzie Crozier French and the Mystery of the White Caps Book: Don Williams – Greenbrier Hall A
Critics say E.W. Crozier could not have written "The White Caps: A History of the Organization in Sevier County" (1899) about a vigilante order that numbered in the hundreds and spread fear, brutality and murder across the Smoky Mountain foothills. New research suggests not only did Crozier write the book, but that it bears the stamp of his famous suffragette sister, Lizzie, along with the heroic sheriff, Tom Davis.

3:30 – 4:30 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! While the Men Were Away: Stories of Brave Cocke County, Tennessee Women and Children: J. Duay O’Neil – Greenbrier Hall C
Join Duay as he tells stories of the bravery of Cocke County, Tennessee’s women and children as their husbands and fathers were away during various times of war.

3:45 – 4:45 PM: A Year in the Life of a Bear: The Life History of Black Bears in Tennessee: David Whitehead – South 1
Join David as he discusses the food habits, life cycle and behavior of black bears in Tennessee.

4 – 5:30 PM: NEW! Taking Better Photos Using Your Camera, Cell Phone and Tablet: Jim Eastin – North 1

4 – 4:45 PM: SOUTHERN TROUT FLY FISHING FAIR! NEW! Blue Lining Off the Wireless Grid: Fred Turner – South 2

4 – 5:30 PM: NEW! HERITAGE! Shaconage: Land of the Blue Sky: Harry Dunn – North 2
Join Harry as he reviews the history of the Great Smoky Mountains and the heritage of its inhabitants in this special video presentation.

4:30 – 5:30 PM: NEW! How Are Photographs Judged and How to Select Images for Contest Entry: Douglas Hubbard – Greenbrier Hall B

5 – 5:45 PM: SOUTHERN TROUT FLY FISHING FAIR! Backcountry Cooking: Craig Haney – South 2

5:40 PM: NEW! Seeing God in Nature: The Joys of Seeing the Creator in His Creation: Ken Jenkins – Greenbrier Hall C

6:30 PM: NEW! TICKETED FUNDRAISER EVENT! Appalachian Bear Rescue Fundraiser: Sam Venable, Ken Jenkins and Friends – LeConte Hall South