VISITOR ACTIVITIES – April to November

The Dickey Ridge Visitor Center at Mile *4.6 is open daily. A Park Naturalist will be on duty to give you information and answer questions concerning the natural history, so that you may enjoy your visit to Shenandoah National Park to the fullest extent. There is no charge for these informational and interpretive services provided by your National Park Service.

The Stony Man Nature Trail is a self-guiding trail. A guide booklet with numbered paragraphs, keyed to numbered stakes along the trail, explains the natural features. It begins at the parking area 100 yards along the north entrance road to Skyland, Mile *41.8.

The Swamp Nature Trail, begins at the Big Meadows Amphitheater parking area and guides you through forest, meadow, and swamplands.

In April, May and June, before the summer program goes into effect, illustrated lodge talks by a Park Naturalist are given each Tuesday and Saturday at 8:30 p. m. at Big Meadows, and each Monday and Friday at 8:30 p. m. at Skyland. After Labor Day, this schedule of lodge talks continues until the lodges close for the winter.

Join the SHENANDOAH NATURAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION, Luray, Virginia. Its purpose is to help advance understanding and enjoyment of the Park's natural history. It assists Shenandoah's interpretive program which is conducted for visitors by Park Naturalists and Ranger-Naturalists. Annual dues are \$1.00. Members receive complimentary copies of all new Association publications and reports.

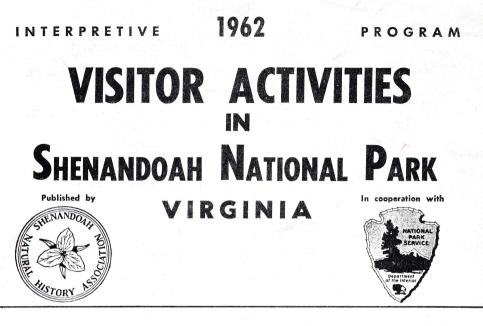
SUMMER PROGRAM NOTES:

Uniformed Park Naturalists conduct the trips and give the talks. TRIPS WILL BE CANCELLED IF LESS THAN FIVE ATTEND, but will be held rain or shine. Wear comfortable hiking shoes and clothing.

Bad weather may cause cancellation of Campfire Programs at Big Meadows, but those at Skyland may be moved into the Recreation Hall,

During the summer months, the National Council of Churches, through its Christian Ministry in the National Parks program, supplies student ministers who conduct a series of Protestant services at Skyland and Big Meadows. Schedules of services are posted at Lodges and Campgrounds.

Catholic services are conducted in nearby towns.



DAILY HIKES and NIGHTLY CAMPFIRES

JUNE 16 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 3

Walking distances given are Round Trip. Eastern Daylight Time.

SUNDAY

DARK HOLLOW FALLS WALK (1.5 miles) 1 to 2:30 p.m. Meet at parking area, *Mile 50.5. To nearest waterfall.

> *Distance south of Front Royal Entrance Station. Distances between mileposts indicated in tenths of a mile.

MONDAY

TUESDAY

- WHITEOAK FALLS HIKE (4.4 miles) 8:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m. Meet in field 100 yards off Drive, opposite *Milepost 43.
- LEWIS SPRING FALLS HIKE (3 miles) 2:30 to 5:30 p. m. Meet at Big Meadows Amphitheater. To a woodland waterfall and an Appalachian Trail shelter.

WEDNESDAY

LITTLE STONY MAN CLIFFS HIKE (2.5 miles) 9 to 12:00 p. m. Meet at Skyland Campfire Circle. Circles Stony Man Mountain.

DARK HOLLOW FALLS WALK (1.5 miles) 1:30 to 3:00 p. m. Meet at parking area, *Mile 50.5. To nearest waterfall.

BEARFENCE MOUNTAIN CLIMB (1.5 miles) 3:30 to 5:30 p. m. Personal cars assemble at Big Meadows Wayside. Ten-mile motorcade and rock scramble.

SEE BACK COVER FOR ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

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THURSDAY

HAWKSBILL MOUNTAIN HIKE (3 miles) 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Meet at Hawksbill Gap parking area, *Mile 45.5. To highest peak.

LIMBERLOST WALK (2 miles) 1 to 3:00 p.m. Meet in field 100 yards off Drive, opposite *Milepost 43. Through ancient hemlocks.

Meet at Big Meadows Amphitheater. To a woodland waterfall and an Appalachian Trail shelter.

Big Meadows Amphitheater. Group singing and illustrated talk.

FRIDAY

DARK HOLLOW FALLS WALK (1.5 miles) 8:30 to 10:00 a. m.

Meet at parking area, *Mile 50.5. To nearest waterfall.

MILLERS HEAD WALK (2.5 miles) 1 to 3:00 p. m. Meet at Skyland Campfire Circle. To scenic lookout point.

BEARFENCE MOUNTAIN CLIMB (1.5 miles) 3:30 to 5:30 p. m. Personal cars assemble at Big Meadows Wayside. Ten-mile motorcade and rock scramble.

CAMPFIRE PROGRAM 9:00 p. m. Skyland Campfire Circle. Group singing and illustrated talk.

SATURDAY

- HAWKSBILL MOUNTAIN HIKE (3 miles) 9 a. m. to 12:00 p. m. Meet at Hawksbill Gap parking area, *Mile 45.5. To highest peak.

LEWIS SPRING FALLS HIKE (3 miles) 2 to 5:00 p.m.

Meet at Big Meadows Amphitheater. To a woodland waterfall and an Appalachian Trail shelter.

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