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PROGRAM

VISITOR ACTIVITIES SHENANDOAH NATIONAL PARK

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DAILY HIKES and NIGHTLY CAMPFIRES

JUNE 16 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2

You Are Invited

The programs listed in this folio are given by Park Naturalists of the National Park Service. The hikes, walks and talks are designed to help you get the most out of your visit. We invite your participation. Trips may be cancelled because of weather or if five or less people are present. Parents should accompany children under 12. Campfire programs are cancelled because of rain except, Big Meadows which moves indoors to the Byrd Visitor Center. Talks at Skyland move into the Conference Center.

For More Information
Stop at a Visitor Center.

Dicky Ridge Visitor Center (Mile 4.6) **

Byrd Visitor Center (Milepost 51) **

ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

	S U N	M O N	T U E	W E D	T H U	F R I	S A T
MATTHEWS ARM (Mile 22.3)**							
All activities begin at amphitheater.							
NATURALIST'S CHOICE 9:30 - 12 noon Follow a naturalist to nature's secrets.		●	●		●	●	●
EXPLORERS' HIKE (Bring car) 1:00 - 5:00 p. m. Explore wild areas with a naturalist.	●	●		●	●	●	●
MATTHEWS ARM WALK 2:30 - 4:30 p. m. Leisurely stroll near campground.		●	●		●	●	●
CAMPFIRE PROGRAM 8:45 - 9:45 p. m. Illustrated talks, group singing.	●	●		●	●	●	●
SKYLAND (Mile 41.7)**							
PASSAMAQUODDY HIKE 9:30 - 12 noon Meet in front of Skyland registration office.	●	●		●		●	
MILLERS HEAD HIKE 2:30 - 4:30 p. m. Meet in front of Skyland registration office.			●		●		●
WHITEOAK FALLS HIKE 8:30 a. m. - 12:30 p. m. Meet in old orchard 100 yards east milepost 43.**			●		●		●
LIMBERLOST WALK 2:30 - 4:30 p. m. Meet in old orchard 100 yards east milepost 43.**	●	●		●		●	
CAMPFIRE PROGRAM 8:45 - 9:45 p. m. Illustrated talks and group singing at Skyland Campfire Circle.			●		●		●
BIG MEADOWS (Mile 51)**							
HAWKSBILL MOUNTAIN HIKE 9:00 - 12 noon Meet at Hawksbill Gap, Mile 45.6.** To highest mountain.		●		●		●	
EXPLORERS' HIKE (Bring car) 9:30 - 12 noon Entrance Byrd Visitor Center. Explore with a naturalist.	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
FRANKLIN CLIFFS WALK 2:00 - 3:30 p. m. Meet at Fisher Gap overlook, mile 49.5.** Geology and history.	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
BIG MEADOWS WALK 4:30 - 6:00 p. m. Entrance to Byrd Visitor Center. Wildflowers and ecology.	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
CAMPFIRE PROGRAM 8:45 - 9:45 p. m. Illustrated talks, group singing at amphitheater.	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
LEWIS MOUNTAIN (Mile 57.6)**							
BEARFENCE MOUNTAIN CLIMB 9:30 - 12 noon Meet at mile 56.3.** Woodland stroll and rock scramble.			●		●		●
CAMPFIRE PROGRAM 8:45 - 9:45 p. m. Illustrated talks, group singing at campfire circle Lewis Mountain.	●			●		●	
LOFT MOUNTAIN (Mile 79.8)**							
All activities begin at amphitheater.							
NATURALIST'S CHOICE 9:30 - 12 noon Follow a naturalist to nature's secrets.	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
EXPLORERS' HIKE (Bring car) 1:00 - 5:00 p. m. Explore wild areas with a naturalist.	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
LOFT MOUNTAIN WALK 2:30 - 4:30 p. m. Leisurely stroll, wildflowers and forests.	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
CAMPFIRE PROGRAM 8:45 - 9:45 p. m. Illustrated talks, group singing at amphitheater.	●	●	●	●	●	●	●

* Hikes proceed at about one mile per hour. Example: 2 hours = 2 miles.

** Mileage south of Front Royal, Virginia entrance to Skyline Drive.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

YEAR AROUND SELF-GUIDING NATURE TRAILS

STONY MAN TRAIL (1.5 miles) starts at parking area on the north entrance road to Skyland near Skyline Drive, Mile 41.8.**

DARK HOLLOW FALLS (1.5 miles) starts at parking area, *Mile 50.5. To nearest waterfall via woodland path. Steep return trip.

SWAMP TRAIL (2 miles) starts near Big Meadows Amphitheater parking area one mile from Skyline Drive, Mile 51.3.**

Three new nature trails are to be completed this season. Two are in the Loft Mountain area in the South District and one in the area of Matthews Arm Campground in the North District.

EARLY SPRING THRU LATE FALL

Shenandoah has two visitor centers to help introduce you to Park features, facilities, and services. One center is at Dickey Ridge, at mile 4.6 on the Skyline Drive, and the Byrd Visitor Center is at Big Meadows, near Milepost 51. Every day, from early spring to late fall, exhibits, orientation programs and personal information services are offered visitors, free of charge, by National Park Service employees. Literature on the geology, history and natural history of Shenandoah, as well as maps, guides, colored pictures and slides of the Park may be purchased at these centers, or by mail from the Shenandoah Natural History Association, Inc., Luray, Virginia 22835.

SPRING AND FALL ONLY

Illustrated evening programs are presented by Park Naturalists at 8:00 p. m., at Big Meadows in the Byrd Visitor Center auditorium on Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

CHURCH SERVICES

Interdenominational protestant services are conducted at Loft Mountain, Big Meadows and Skyland by Student Ministers sponsored by a Christian Ministry in Shenandoah National Park. Bulletin boards carry church service schedules.