

# 2020 FALL CREEK FALLS SPECIAL EVENT WEEKENDS

January 18<sup>th</sup>

## **FCF Thaw 15km Run & Weekend Excursion**

Run the finale of the TSP Running Tour in a 15k traversing one of the most beautiful areas in the eastern United States. Entry forms are available at <http://tennesseerunningtour.com>

February 22nd

## **Mountaineer Folk Art Project - Introductory Spinning Class**

Learn the basics of spinning yarn in this daylong class sponsored by the Friends of Fall Creek Falls State Park. Registration for the class is \$25 with a limit of 10 participants. Observers may audit the class for an in-kind donation to the Friends of Fall Creek Falls State Park (\$10 suggested donation). Register online at <https://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/fall-creek-falls/#/?park=fall-creek-falls>

March 28th

## **Mountaineer Folk Art Project – Basics of Knitting**

Now that you know how to spin yarn from fleece, learn to knit so you can create cozy apparel with your own hands! This is a daylong class sponsored by Friends of Fall Creek Falls State Park. Registration for the class is \$25 with a limit of 25 participants. Observers may audit the class for an in-kind donation to the Friends of Fall Creek Falls State Park (\$10 suggested donation). Register online at <https://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/fall-creek-falls/#/?park=fall-creek-falls>

April 3rd & 4th

## **38th Annual Spring Wildflower Pilgrimage**

We will explore the wildflower rich areas of the park to see many early spring wildflowers and breathtaking views. A variety of hikes, workshops, driving tours, and slideshows will be offered. Reserve a cabin or campsite today to enjoy the whole weekend at Fall Creek Falls State Park.

April 11th & 12th

## **Easter Weekend**

Meet in the Village Green for an Easter egg hunt and crafts for kids on Saturday. Stay at the cabins or campground to enjoy a beautiful and fun filled weekend!

May 15th, 16th, & 17th

### **Tennessee Spring Star Party 2020**

Programs range from entry to professional level, and will be offered in the Recreation Hall. Professional and amateur astronomers will be giving free presentations. Dark sky field viewing will be Friday and Saturday night with alternate “bad weather” programs. The only cost for the event will be lodging and food. For more information contact Lloyd Watkins at [watkinslk@comcast.net](mailto:watkinslk@comcast.net), or visit [www.CumberlandAstronomicalSociety.org](http://www.CumberlandAstronomicalSociety.org).

### **-BEING RESCHEDULED FOR A LATER DATE-**

#### **Mountaineer Folk Art Project – Rainbow Dying**

Learn to dye fiber, yard, and roving in a dazzling multicolored array! This is a daylong class sponsored by Friends of Fall Creek Falls State Park. Registration for the class is \$25 with a limit of 25 participants. Observers may audit the class for an in-kind donation to the Friends of Fall Creek Falls State Park (\$10 suggested donation). Register online at <https://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/fall-creek-falls/#/?park=fall-creek-falls>

June 19th & 20th, July 17th & 18th, Aug. 14th & 15st, Sept. 18th & 19th

### **Astronomy Weekends and Fall Star Gaze**

Fall Creek Falls State Park is exceptionally well suited to night sky viewing. Make plans to attend any or all of the Astronomy Weekends to discuss constellations and spatial relationships in the solar system. Telescope viewing will also be offered, weather permitting. For more information, email Lloyd Watkins at [watkinslk@comcast.net](mailto:watkinslk@comcast.net), or visit [www.CumberlandAstronomicalSociety.org](http://www.CumberlandAstronomicalSociety.org).

July 4th

### **Fourth of July Celebration**

Dress up your car, your bike, or yourself for the traditional parade to Campground “A”. After watermelon and cake, field events such a sack race, the egg toss, tug-o-war, and other family favorites will be held in the Campground “A” field.

July 25th

### **Mountaineer Folk Art Project – Wet Felting**

Felt has been used for centuries to produce blankets, hats, shoes and suchlike. Learn to create felt from raw fleece in this daylong class sponsored by Friends of Fall Creek Falls State Park. Registration for the class is \$25 with a limit of 25 participants. Observers may audit the class for an in-kind donation to the Friends of Fall Creek Falls State Park (\$10 suggested donation). Register online at <https://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/fall-creek-falls/#/?park=fall-creek-falls>

September – May

### **Environmental Education Program**

Fall Creek Falls State Park offers an environmental education program for multiple day school field trips during the school year. Lodging, and programs are included in the low price. Contact Ranger Matt Brown at [matthew.brown@tn.gov](mailto:matthew.brown@tn.gov) or call the Nature Center at 423-881-5708 to schedule a field trip.

September 11th, 12th & 13th

### **42nd Annual Mountaineer Folk Festival (Mountaineer Folk Art Project)**

The Mountaineer Folk Festival's jam-packed schedule includes handmade crafts, 2 stages of traditional mountain music, demonstrations of pioneer skills, country cooking, and much more. Don't miss this event!

October 17th

### **Fall Colors Spooktacular**

Enjoy a weekend filled with fall colors, boat rides, campsite decorating competitions, hayrides, campground trick-or-treating and more! Don't miss out on the most fun you can have in state parks this weekend!

October 31st

### **Wild Foods Day**

Field trips identifying edible wild plants and workshops on preparing wild meats and breads are just a few of the activities. The real treat comes in enjoying the wild feast.

December 4th & 5th

### **Christmas on the Mountain (Mountaineer Folk Art Project)**

What could be better than enjoying live music, Christmas decorations, and a handmade craft fair on the plateau? How about a visit from Santa Claus! Enjoy breakfast with Santa and nightly visits with photographic opportunities along with lots of crafts and music this weekend!

December 5th

### **Mountaineer Folk Art Project – Needle Felting**

Needle felted Christmas ornaments are not only traditional, but a beautiful and trendy addition to holiday décor. This is a daylong class sponsored by Friends of Fall Creek Falls State Park. Registration for the class is \$25 with a limit of 25 participants. Observers may audit the class for an in-kind donation to the Friends of Fall Creek Falls State Park (\$10 suggested donation). Register online at <https://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/fall-creek-falls/#/?park=fall-creek-falls>