

Pine Grove Furnace State Park

Fourth of July Weekend 2025



First Friday Campfire Cooking

Friday, July 4th at 6:00 PM

Learn some new skills and recipes, then enjoy a tasty food sampling with park staff! Ingredients and supplies will be provided, courtesy of the Friends of Pine Grove Furnace. Donations are appreciated to help cover the cost. **Meet at the Amphitheater.**

Guided Hike of Pine Grove Trails

Saturday, July 5th at 10:00 AM

Join a volunteer on a hike to explore most of the trails at Pine Grove, with options to make the hike 1, 3, or 6 miles! The hike will cover sections of the Hiker-Biker, Brickyard, Campground, Mountain Creek, and Appalachian Trails. You will also get to see some of the park's historical sites! Please wear appropriate shoes and bring plenty of water. **Meet at the Old Stone Furnace Stack.**



Silly Salamanders

Saturday, July 5th at 3:00 PM

Bring the whole family out to learn about salamanders, create a craft, and read "The Salamander Room" by Anne Mazer. Then we will search for real live salamanders, but no guarantee we will see them! **Meet at the Old Stone Furnace Stack.**

Songs & Stories of the Civil War

Saturday, July 5th at 7:00 PM

Join storyteller and singer Matthew Dodd for a free one-hour event sponsored by the Friends of Pine Grove Furnace State Park. Fun for the whole family! 4th of July weekend commemorates 162 years since the Battle of Gettysburg, just down the road. **Meet at the Amphitheater.**



Paddleboarding for Beginners

Sunday, July 6th at 10:00 AM ***Registration Required***

Have you ever wanted to learn how to paddleboard, or bought one and would like to practice? Then look no further! All equipment will be provided, if you do not have your own. Must be at least 12 years of age. Register to use a park board (space is limited) or bring your own.

Ironmaster's Mansion Tour

Sunday, July 6th at 2:00 PM

Join local historian, Andre Weltman, for a one-hour tour inside the Ironmaster's Mansion built in 1829. **Meet on the Southern Porch of the Mansion.**



If you need an accommodation to participate in park activities due to a disability, please contact the park you plan to visit. With at least seven days' notice, interpreters for people who are deaf or hard of hearing are available for educational programs.

For program questions or accommodations, contact Angela at 717-486-7174 or pinegrovefurnaceprograms@pa.gov



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Bluebird Walk

Friday, July 11th at 6:30 PM

Have you noticed the new wooden bird boxes around the park, and want to learn more? Join the park educator on a walk around the new cavity-nesting trail to look for signs of activity, and learn about how you could get involved! **Meet behind the Park Office.**

Nature Kayak

Saturday, July 12th at 7:00 PM ***Registration Required***

Enjoy a leisurely guided kayak tour, and use binoculars to look at the different plants and wildlife that call Laurel Lake home. All equipment will be provided. Space is limited. **Register for the meeting location.**



Molding & Casting

Sunday, July 13th at 10:00 AM ***Registration Required***

Join this hands-on program to create your own sand mold and "cast" a plaster product, similar to how moulders would have done with iron at the furnace. Registration is required to create a mold, space is limited. **Meet across from the Old Stone Furnace Stack.**

Daring Deer

Saturday, July 19th at 3:00 PM

Bring the little ones out to do a fun craft and learn about our favorite mammal, the deer! Fun for the whole family! Look for the pop-up canopy behind the park office. **Meet at the Park Office.**



Mammals of Pennsylvania

Saturday, July 19th at 8:30 PM

Learn about the furry friends who call Pennsylvania home during this presentation, while getting the chance to pet some pelts and furs! **Meet at the Amphitheater.**

Furnace Walking Tour

Saturday, July 26th at 6:30 PM

Pine Grove Furnace was not always the scenic mountain getaway you see today. Take a 1-mile walk through the past to discover the history of Pine Grove Furnace, approx. 2 hours long. **Meet at the Old Stone Furnace Stack.**



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Concert by Matthew Dodd

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Saturday, July 5 at 7 PM



Songs and Stories of the Civil War

State Park Amphitheater

121 Bendersville Road, Gardners, PA 17324
40.02352, -77.31135

Join storyteller and singer Matthew Dodd for a free one-hour event sponsored by the Friends of Pine Grove Furnace State Park.

Bring the entire family for this free performance in the State Park Amphitheater, which is just south from the Campgrounds along Bendersville Road. Most visitors should park in the large gravel lot next to Bendersville Road, and walk down to the Amphitheater. A very limited number of handicap parking spots are closer to the seating area, down a short but steep driveway. Campers can simply walk to the Amphitheater using a short path on the south end of the Family Campground.

Share with friends and come enjoy a day at the park!

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