

Pine Grove Furnace State Park



USA 250th Celebration Weekend Program Flyer



America 250 Blazes Hike: Friday, July 10th starting at 6:00 PM

Celebrate America's 250th birthday by taking a volunteer led hike past 250 trail blazes! Hike Creek, Brickyard, Koppenhaver, and Mountain Creek Trails. Total number of blazes is 258. Hike length is 5.1 trail miles plus some additional distance between trails. **Meet at the Furnace Stack Pavillion.**

America 250 Blazes Hike: Saturday, July 11th starting at 10:00 AM

Celebrate America's 250th birthday by taking a volunteer led hike past 250 trail blazes! Hike Creek, Appalachian, Swamp, Mountain Creek, and Koppenhaver Trails. Total number of blazes is approximately 252. Hike length is 6.3 trail miles plus some additional distance between trails. **Meet at the Furnace Stack Pavillion.**

Forging Freedom: Pine Grove Furnace & the American Revolution

Saturday, July 11th Stop by anytime between 3-7 PM

Celebrate America's 250th Birthday and stop by any time between 3-7:00 PM to experience a glimpse at what life was like during the 18th century at Pine Grove Furnace State Park, followed by a FREE performance at 7 PM! *Donations to the Friends of Pine Grove Furnace are appreciated.* **Meet at the Furnace Stack Pavillion.**

- Colonial cooking, games, crafts, local history, and more!
- 3:30 PM Cast Iron Cooking Demo with sampling to follow while they last
- 5:00 PM Casting Iron to Fight the Revolution Program by local historian Andre Weltman

Songs & Stories of the American Revolution: Saturday, July 11th 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! This concert is part of our celebration of America's 250th Birthday! **Meet at the Furnace Stack Pavillion.**

Extracting the Iron Hike: Sunday, July 12th at 1:00 PM

Iron furnaces had to transform the iron ore into a usable material. This intensive process required around-the-clock work. Communities naturally sprung up to support the furnace and its workers. Explore the remains of a local furnace community to learn how it functioned on this ~1.25 mile walk. Part of a three part series with Kings Gap, Pine Grove, & Caledonia. **Meet at the Old Stone Furnace Stack.**



Registration is required where noted. To register for a program or for more information, please visit the online DCNR Calendar of Events at <http://events.dcnr.pa.gov>. For program questions or accommodations, contact Angela at 717-486-7174 or PineGroveFurnaceEEPrograms@pa.gov

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Concert by Matthew Dodd

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Saturday, July 11 at 7 PM



Songs and Stories of the American Revolution

Furnace Stack Pavilion

20 Quarry Road, Gardners, PA 17324
40.03177, -77.30567

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Bring the entire family for this free performance in the Furnace Stack Pavilion, located just downhill from the State Park Office and A.T. Museum. This concert is part of a full afternoon of activities related to the American Revolution starting at 3 PM in the pavilion.

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

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For more information or directions, contact the Park Office at (717) 486-7174.

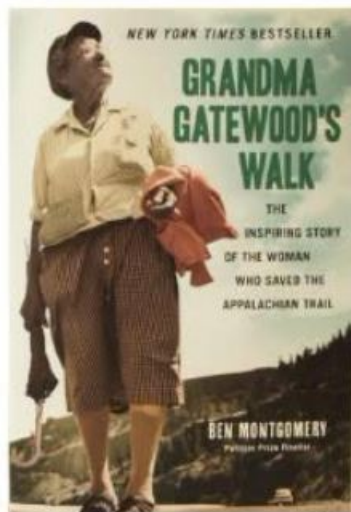
Appalachian Trail Museum™



Upcoming Event

The AT Museum is excited to host Anne Van Curen on Saturday, July 11th! [Actress Anne Van Curen](#) transforms into Emma "Grandma" Gatewood to describe what it was like to be the first woman to solo hike the Appalachian Trail in 1955. The dramatization is based off of the book

"Grandma Gatewood's Walk", which was written from accounts of Gatewood's surviving family members, newspaper magazine articles and her own diaries and trail journals.



Anne will present a 35-minute monologue followed by a question and answer time. This program will take place outside in the grassy area below the museum, close to Furnace Stack parking. Please bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on.

Location: Appalachian Trail Museum (outside), 1120 Pine Grove Rd, Gardners, PA 17324

Date/Time: Saturday, July 11th at 2pm

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July 18th-25th 2026 Program Flyer



Nature Kayak: Wednesday, July 15th at 6:00 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. Kayaking experience required! **Register for the Meeting Location.**

Crazy Caterpillars: Saturday, July 18th at 4:00 PM

Bring the whole family out to learn about caterpillars, create a craft, and read "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" by Eric Carle. Fun for the little ones! Look for the pop-up canopy behind the park office. **Meet at the Park Office.**

Moth Night: Saturday, July 18th 8:00-10:00 PM

Celebrate National Moth Week by joining a Xerces Society ambassador and park staff in blacklighting for moths! This exciting activity will include educational materials and moth identification as well.

Meet near the Old Stone Furnace Stack.

Ironmaster's Mansion Tour: Wednesday, July 22nd 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.**

Women's Hook to Cook w/PA Fish & Boat: Saturday, July 24th 5:00 PM

Registration Required Ladies, have you ever been interested in learning more about fishing? Want to learn how to prepare, cook and eat fresh caught fish? Now is your opportunity to learn all about it alongside other women. The Fishing license requirement is waived for this program. Equipment, bait, and instruction are provided at no cost to participants. **Register for location.**

Hike thru History: Saturday, July 25th at 9:00 AM

Along a strenuous 3.75-mile hike, see some of the hidden history of our area. Find quarries, an old pool, charcoal hearths, haul roads, and an old cemetery. Some sections may have steep and rocky terrain, wear sturdy shoes and bring plenty of water. Allow 3 hours for this hike. **Meet at the Old Stone Furnace Stack.**

Wacky Woodpeckers: Saturday, July 25th at 4:00 PM

Bring the little ones out to do a fun craft and learn about our favorite birds, the woodpeckers! We will also read "Woodpecker Wham!" by April Pulley Sayre. Fun for the whole family!

Meet at the Park Office.

Nocturnal Senses Night Hike: Saturday, July 25th at 8:30 PM

Test out your nocturnal skills while we learn about nighttime creatures and how their senses help them find their way in the dark, during this interactive program. We will also use a UV Black Light to see what luminesces at night. **Meet at the Amphitheater.**



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