

Friends of South Mountains State Park



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ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

The Friends Annual Meeting will be held at **12:00 noon on Saturday, September 25, 2021**. This year's meeting will be held at the Park's Clear Creek Access, located off U.S. Hwy 64 at **5999 Branstrom Orchard Street, Morganton, NC 28605**. Please make plans to attend. Items on the agenda include an annual update from the Board, Election of Board Members, special recognitions, and other business as may be presented. Current Board Members whose terms are expiring are Janice Branstrom, Lenore Wortman, and Walt Gravely. Janice, Lenore and Walt have agreed to serve another term on the Board and have been nominated by the Board for re-election. Nominations will also be taken from the floor.

Due to ongoing issues with and the resurgence of the COVID-19 virus, Nature Day will not be held this year. We hope that Nature Day will return for 2022.

CLEAR CREEK CLASSIC YOUTH FISHING EVENT

Friends is excited to sponsor a new opportunity in conjunction with South Mountains State Park. On **Saturday, September 25, 2021**, the Park will host the "Clear Creek Classic" at the Park's Clear Creek Lake, 5999 Branstrom Orchard Street, Morganton, NC 28605. This event is for youth up to age 15. Prizes will be awarded based on many categories. **PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED**, please contact south.mountains@ncparks.gov. A limited number of fishing rods are available, first come first serve, to registrants requesting a rod – or bring your own. Bring your own bait or lures.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Are you looking for a way to help out at South Mountains State Park? Well, here are a few things you might consider:

- **Visitor Center Assistant.** The Park is in need of volunteers to assist in welcoming visitors at the Welcome Center on weekends. Times of greatest need are between 10:00 and 3:30. Mostly all indoor work. Contact Renee at (828) 433-4772.
- **Girl Scouts Love State Parks.** Saturday, September 11, 2021, 10:00 a.m. to Noon. Jacob's Fork Area. Contact Mary at (828) 433-4772.
- **Clear Creek Classic.** Saturday, September 25, 2021, 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Clear Creek Access. Contact Mary at (828) 433-4772.
- **Trail Maintenance.** Multiple dates and times throughout the year. Jacob's Fork and Clear Creek. Contact Amanda at (828) 433-4772.

We look forward to seeing you at one or all of these events.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Summerlin, President
Walt Gravely, Vice President
Steve Gurley, Secretary
Erma Deen Hoyle, Treasurer

Janice Branstrom
Tom Kenney
Lenore Wortman



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Joint Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

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Individual/Family Memberships:

- Student/Senior Annual Membership: \$15.00/yr
- Individual Annual Membership (18+): \$20.00/yr
- Joint Annual Membership: \$30.00/yr
- Founder's Society: \$100/yr

Business Memberships:

- Business Bronze Membership: \$300/yr
- Business Silver Membership: \$500/yr
- Business Gold Membership: \$750/yr
- Business Platinum Membership: \$1,000/yr

Additional Contribution Categories:

- Bedrock: \$500.00 gift
- Hemlock: \$1,000.00 gift
- Ridgeline: \$5,000.00 gift
- High Shoals: \$10,000.00 gift
- Other \$ _____ gift

Total Paid: \$ _____

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