

Naturalists' Rally Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Members, please check if this is a change of address.

BOTH EVENING PROGRAMS AND ALL HIKES:

Non-member Adults # _____ @ \$5.00 = \$ _____

*(Children & Friends of Roan Mountain members: FREE)

ALL MEALS BY PRE-PAID RESERVATION ONLY

RESERVATION DEADLINE—Tuesday September 2

Friday, September 5, 2014 - Dinner

_____ Adults @ \$9.00 = \$ _____

_____ Children (12 & under) @ \$5.00.. = \$ _____

Saturday, September 6, 2014 - Bag Lunch

(Pick up at Conference Center at 12:00 Noon)

Note sandwich choice below:

_____ Turkey/Swiss # _____ Ham/Cheese

_____ Chicken Salad # _____ Pimento Cheese

Total lunches # _____ @ \$6.00 ea..... = \$ _____

Saturday, September 6, 2014 - Dinner

_____ Adults @ \$9.00 = \$ _____

_____ Children (12 & under) @ \$5.00 ... = \$ _____

Total for All Meals = \$ _____

FRIENDS OF ROAN MOUNTAIN MEMBERSHIP

*(You will not need to pay for Program/Trips)

Check Category: New Member _____ Renewing _____

Individual \$15 _____ Family \$20 _____ Student \$10 _____

Corporate \$45 _____ Lifetime Ind. \$350 _____

Lifetime Family \$450 _____ **DUES = \$ _____**

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED = \$ _____

**MAIL THIS FORM ALONG WITH YOUR CHECK
PAYABLE TO FRIENDS OF ROAN MOUNTAIN to:**

**NANCY BARRIGAR, TREASURER
708 ALLEN AVENUE, ELIZABETHTON, TN 37643**

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, September 5

Roan Mountain State Park Conference Center

5:30 P.M. REGISTRATION

**6:30 P.M. BUFFET DINNER -
PREPAID REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

Deadline for reservations is Tuesday, September 2

**7:30 P.M. PROGRAM - *Why Is There Such High
Biodiversity in the Southern Appalachians?*
by Jennifer Frick**

9:00 P. M. Moth Party (Ea, Kf) Larry McDaniel

Saturday, September 6

Unless otherwise noted, field trips will leave from the field on the left before the cabins.

6:15 A.M.

Nature Photography (Mod) Jerry Greer
(meet at Carvers Gap; bring your camera)

7:00 A.M.

**Early Bird Trip (Ea) Lee & Lois Herndon Chapter,
Tenn. Ornithological Society**

8:30 A.M.

**1. Birds (Ea) Lee & Lois Herndon Chapter,
Tenn. Ornithological Society**

2. Trees (Ea) Frosty Levy

3. Wildflowers (Ea) Guy Mauldin

4. Mushrooms (Ea) Cindy Fowler & Ken Crouse

5. Nature Hike for Kids (Ea, Kf) Meg Guy

6. Hughes Gap to Carver's Gap (Str) Tim McDowell
(4.6 mile hike, bring lunch, water & rain gear)

7. Useful Plants (Ea) Marty Silver

8. Nature Photography II (Mod) Jerry Greer
(bring your camera)

10:00 A.M.

Butterflies & Other Insects (Ea, Kf) Don Holt

12:00 A.M. Lunch

**Bag lunches available by prepaid reservation. Pick up
at Conference Center. Choice of sandwich (see form)**

Lunchtime Workshop (at Conference Center)

Fossil Casting for All Ages (Kf)
Mick Whitelaw & the ETSU Geosciences Club

Lunchtime Programs (at Conference Center)

11:30 A.M.

Gardening for Wildlife (Kf) Joy Stewart

12:15 P.M.

Nature Images (Kf) Marty Silver

2:00 P.M.

**1. Stream Ecology (Ea, W, Kf) Bart Carter,
Gary Barrigar**

2. Reptiles (Ea, Kf) Jacob Young

3. Wildflowers (Ea) Joe Taft

4. Geology of Roan Mountain (Mod) Mick Whitelaw

**5. Wildflowers & Trees of the Shell Hollow Trail
(Mod) David Hall**

6. Nature Hike for Kids (Ea, Kf) Marty Silver

8. Butterflies and Other Insects (Ea, Kf)
Larry McDaniel

5:45 P.M. Meeting of Friends of Roan Mountain

6:30 P.M. Dinner

**7:30 P.M. PROGRAM - *Appalachian Treks*
by Mark Peacock**

9:00 P. M. Moth Party (Ea, Kf) Larry McDaniel

Sunday, September 8

Unless otherwise noted, field trips will leave from the field on the left before the cabins.

6:15 A.M.

Nature Photography (Mod) David Ramsey
(meet at Carvers Gap; bring your camera)

8:30 A.M.

**1. Birds (Ea) Lee & Lois Herndon Chapter,
Tenn. Ornithological Society**

2. Rare Plants (Mod) Dave Danley

3. Mushrooms (Ea) Gabrielle Zeiger

Key for Trips

Ea - Easy

Str - Strenuous

Kf - Kid Friendly

Mod - Moderate

W - Wear clothes you

can get wet



LODGING

Americourt Hotel, Elizabethton TN 423 542-4466

Doe River Inn, Elizabethton, TN 423 292-2848

Lakeshore Resort, Hampton, TN 423 725-2201

Mountain Harbour, Roan Mountain 423 772-9494

Pinnacle Inn Resort, Beech Mtn., NC 828 387-2231

Riverside Retreat, Roan Mountain 423 512-1665

Roan Mountain Bed & Breakfast 423 772-3207

Roan Mountain State Park 423 772-0190

Safe Haven Farm, Roan Mountain 423 725-4262

Traveler's Inn, Elizabethton, TN 423 543-3344

***The 5th Annual Roan Mountain
Winter Naturalists Rally will be held
February 14, 2015***

***The 56th Annual Roan Mountain
Spring Naturalists Rally will be held
April 24-26, 2015***

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Gary Barrigar - 423 543-7576
gbarrigar@friendsofroanmtn.org**

**MAIL PREPAID RESERVATIONS TO:
Nancy Barrigar, Treasurer
708 Allen Avenue
Elizabethton, TN 37643**

For 52 years the Fall Naturalists' Rally has drawn nature enthusiasts from far & wide to Roan Mountain on the weekend after Labor Day! Top naturalists volunteer their time and energy to make the event both enjoyable and educational for people of all ages.

This fall rally continues to celebrate the natural world by providing two top speakers, Naturalist and Ecologist Jennifer Frick and photographer Mark Peacock.

Because of the continued support of the Friends of Roan Mountain, all the Naturalists' Rallies have the resources they need to prosper and grow and the FORM provides support for research and restoration projects on the Roan. Consider joining the Friends of Roan Mountain, if you are not a member. Members get free admission to all Naturalists' Rally events and our newsletter, "Friends of Roan Mountain." Many thanks to Roan Mountain State Park for their long-time support of the Naturalists' Rallies, as well as the trip leaders who donate their time and expertise.

Evening and Lunch programs will take place in Roan Mountain State Park's Conference Center and field trips will leave from the field on the left before the cabins in the park.

Gary Barrigar - Director

FRIDAY EVENING PROGRAM

Jennifer Frick: Why Is There Such High Biodiversity in the Southern Appalachians?

Dr. Jennifer Frick-Ruppert is a full Professor of Biology and Environmental Science at Brevard College, where she has taught since 1997. In January of 2014, she was promoted to Division Chair of Science and Mathematics. She teaches courses in environmental perspectives, biodiversity, and natural history and was awarded the 2003-2004 Award for Exemplary Teaching. She earned her Ph.D. in Zoology from Clemson University in 1995 and completed a Postdoctoral Research Fellowship at the Smithsonian Marine Station in 1996-1997.

For nearly 15 years Jennifer and her husband, Edward Ruppert, lived in a log cabin that they built in Balsam Grove, NC. They generated their own electricity and lived "off the grid" without a direct connection to the power grid. Once their son, Fritz, was born, they decided to adopt a more traditional lifestyle and built a "normal" home that does connect to the power grid, but is energy efficient and fits into the landscape. She is working on a book entitled *Dreams of Eden* that describes both the skills they acquired in living off the grid and the philosophy they developed in living so close to nature.

Many of the skills necessary to live without modern conveniences were cultivated during a period in which Jennifer and Ed lived aboard a sailboat, cruising the Southeast. Jennifer has recently published *Waterways: Sailing the Southeastern Coast*, which relates these experiences. Combining insights from ecology and sailing, she blends travel narrative and nature writing to inspire and educate.

Originally from South Carolina, Jennifer grew up with a love of nature and an appreciation for her surroundings.

She has written several scientific articles, most recently on the biology of the Blue Ghost Firefly and the caloric values of native fruits, in such journals as *Biological Bulletin*, *Invertebrate Zoology*, and *North Carolina Academy of Science*. She has also authored two websites for South Carolina Educational Television on the Natural History of the Saltmarsh and the Natural History of the Swamp. From 2001-2005, she wrote a regular column for *The Transylvania Times*.

As an outgrowth of those newspaper articles, she published a book called *Mountain Nature: A Seasonal Natural History of the Southern Appalachians*. Illustrated with both color and black-and-white images, it conveys the seasonal change in animals and plants of the region, emphasizing their interactions and unique characteristics.

Program Description

Dr. Jennifer Frick-Ruppert's program will focus on describing of the astounding local biodiversity and explaining why this region supports such a profusion of life. It will be illustrated with her photographs, many of which are taken from *Mountain Nature*.

SATURDAY EVENING PROGRAM

Mark Peacock: Appalachian Treks

Born and raised in Morris, Illinois, Mark moved to the hills of northeast Tennessee in 1995 to attend Emmanuel Christian Seminary following law school and practicing law at his family's law firm. He was soon hired by Milligan College to teach courses in business, law and ethics. Later he added digital photography to his list of courses offered. Mark's love for photography was instilled in him by his grandfather, who taught him lighting and composition and that, at its best, photography is storytelling. Most weekends, he is out hiking and exploring the area with friends and his dog, Blue – and sharing his discoveries on his blog, "Appalachian Treks," which seeks to promote this region and its beauty. His landscape photography has been featured in various local and regional publications and graces the walls of numerous homes, offices and organizations. Recently, his work was featured in photographic shows "Seasons of the Blue Ridge" and "East Meets West" at the Nelson Fine Art Center in Johnson City, TN. He often leads workshops for organizations and individuals, teaching the art and craft of photography. In addition to landscape photography, Mark enjoys working in the areas of family portraiture, sports photography, and higher education photography. Please visit his gallery and blog at www.markwpeacock.com for more information.

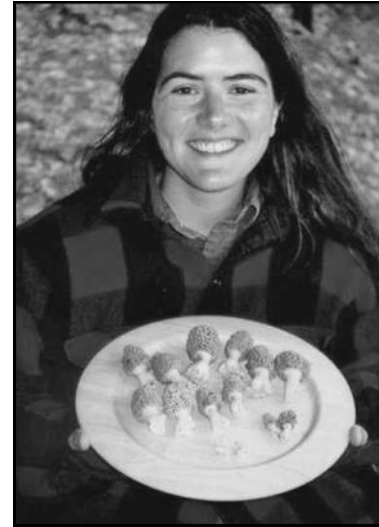
Program Description

Explore the natural beauty of the Southern Appalachians with photographer, Mark W. Peacock. Journey with him as he shares his landscape photography of many of the well-known scenic attractions of our region along with images of many lesser known, but stunning destinations found in these hills. Along the way, you'll learn about some of the colorful characters who came before us in these beautiful mountains.

FIFTY SECOND ANNUAL FALL ROAN MOUNTAIN NATURALISTS' RALLY

SEPT. 5, 6, 7, 2014

SPEAKERS:



Jennifer Frick



Mark Peacock

Sponsored by:
The Friends of Roan Mountain
Fall Rally Director, Gary Barrigar

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