

2023 FALL RALLY REGISTRATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

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REGISTRATION FEES

Online and on-site registration are also available.

MEMBERS: all activities free \$ 0 x # ___ = \$ ___

NON-MEMBERS

Weekend - all activities \$15 x # ___ = \$ ___

Fri night program only \$ 5 x # ___ = \$ ___

Sat field trips only \$10 x # ___ = \$ ___

Sat night program only \$ 5 x # ___ = \$ ___

Sun field trips only \$10 x # ___ = \$ ___

CHILDREN / STUDENTS \$ 0 x # ___ = \$ ___
 (under 18) - all activities

MEALS must be PREPAID by TUES, Sept. 5

DINNER - FRI NIGHT

Adults \$13 x # ___ = \$ ___

Children 12 and under \$ 6 x # ___ = \$ ___

LUNCH - SAT (bag lunch) \$ 8 x # ___ = \$ ___

Choose # ___ turkey/swiss, # ___ ham/cheese
 # ___ chicken salad # ___ pimento cheese

DINNER - SAT NIGHT

Adults \$13 x # ___ = \$ ___

Children 12 and under \$ 6 x # ___ = \$ ___

MEMBERSHIP IN FRIENDS OF ROAN MOUNTAIN

Category: ___ New Member Renewal ___
 Individual \$20 ___ Corporate \$ 50 ___
 Family \$30 ___ Lifetime - individual \$350 ___
 Student \$10 ___ Lifetime - family \$450 ___

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$

MAIL this form along with your check payable to Friends of Roan Mountain to:

Nancy Barrigar, Treasurer
 708 Allen Ave.
 Elizabethton, TN 37643

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY September 8: All activities take place at Roan Mountain State Park Conference Center.

5:30 PM REGISTRATION

6:30 PM BUFFET DINNER - requires **PREPAID** reservation by deadline of Tuesday, September 5

7:30 PM PROGRAM
 “Discovering the Wonders of Parks Through Interpretation” Meg Guy

9:00 PM Moth Party (E, Kf) Larry McDaniel

SATURDAY September 9: Field trips will carpool from the field adjacent to the cabin area entrance.

8:30 AM Field trips:

- 1. Birds** (E) Lee & Lois Herndon Chapter TOS
- 2. Beginning Birds** (E) Lee & Lois Herndon Chapter
- 3. Wildflowers** (E) Guy Mauldin
- 4. Useful Plants** (E, Kf) Marty Silver
- 5. Mushrooms** (E) Cindy Fowler & Ken Crouse
- 6. Spiders** (E, Kf) T. J. Jones
- 7. Snakes** (E, Kf) Philip Hylen

11:00 AM – 1:30 PM Conference Center activity:

Fossil Casting for All Ages (Kf) Mick Whitelaw, ETSU Dept. of Geology and Geoscience Club

Lunch Time Slide Show Marty Silver

12:00 PM Lunch - Bag lunches at Conference Center by pre-paid reservation only (deadline Tues, Sept 5) or you are welcome to bring your own lunch.

12:30 pm - Program
 “Insects & Traditional Medicine” Cade Campbell



2:00 PM Field trips:

- 1. Stream Ecology** (E, Kf, W) Gary Barrigar
- 2. Geology of Roan Mountain** (M) Mick Whitelaw
- 3. Wildlife Tracking** (E, Kf) Marty Silver
- 4. Mosses & Liverworts** (E) Jim Goldsmith
- 5. Salamanders** (E, Kf) Tyler Wicks
- 6. Appalachian Cove Forest Exploration** (E, Kf) Cade Campbell
- 7. Tree ID Bingo for Kids** (E, Kf) Meg Guy

5:45 PM Annual FORM membership meeting

6:30 PM BUFFET DINNER - at Roan Mtn. State Park Conference Center: requires **PREPAID** Reservation by deadline of Tuesday, September 5

7:30 PM PROGRAM
 “Fall Migration: A Fascinating Annual Display of Nature” Ron Hoff

9:00 PM Moth Party (E, Kf) Larry McDaniel
 Night Walk (E, Kf) Cade Campbell

SUNDAY SEPT 10: Field trips will leave from the field adjacent to the cabin area entrance.

9:00 AM Field trips:

- 1. Birds** (E) Lee & Lois Herndon Chapter TOS
- 2. Rare Plants of the Roan Highlands** (E) Gary Kaufman

2:00 PM Field Trips:

- 1. Butterflies and Other Insects** (E, Kf) Lance Jessee
- 2. Birds of Prey** (E, Kf) Philip Hylen

KEY: E Easy
 M Moderate
 S Strenuous
 Kf Kid-friendly
 W May get wet

For More Information

Gary Barrigar and Larry McDaniel, Rally Directors
 friendsofroan@gmail.com

Lodging:

Roan Mountain State Park Cabins (423) 547-3900 and Campground

Elizabethton/Carter County Chamber of Commerce (423) 547-3850

Avery County Chamber of Commerce (828) 898-5605

Websites

www.friendsofroanmtn.org
 www.facebook.com /FriendsofRoanMountain

MEAL MENU

We offer meals catered by City Market of Elizabethton. You must prepay for meals by deadline of Sept 5 (see registration form). No meals will be available for those who have not prepaid. The evening meals are served buffet-style with salad, hot entrée, side items, drink, and dessert. The lunch is a bag lunch with sandwich, chips, fruit, cookie, and drink.

SAVE THESE DATES!



***Xtreme Roan Adventures
 Kid's Rally July 28-30, 2023***

***The 13th Annual Roan Mountain
 Winter Naturalists Rally
 February 17, 2024***

***The 65th Annual Roan Mountain
 Spring Naturalists Rally
 April 26 - April 28, 2024***

For 61 years enthusiasts have been gathering at Roan Mountain during the first weekend after Labor Day to celebrate the natural world during the Fall Roan Mountain Naturalists Rally. This event and all of the Friends of Roan Mountain events would not be possible without our volunteer field trip leaders, the support of Roan Mountain State Park and the Friends of Roan membership.

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 which is published twice a year.

Evening and lunch programs will take place in Roan Mountain State Park's Conference Center. Field trips will leave from the field on the left beside the entrance to the park cabins.

Gary Barrigar and Larry McDaniel - Co-Directors

FRIDAY EVENING PROGRAM:

“Discovering the Wonders of Parks Through Interpretation”

Meg Guy has served Tennessee State Parks first as Seasonal Interpretive Ranger, then Park Ranger then Park Manager of Roan Mountain State Park. Now she supports 19 parks across East Tennessee as the Regional Interpretive Specialist. She holds a B.S. in Plant & Soil Sciences from the University of Tennessee and an M.A. in Appalachian Studies from East Tennessee State University. Meg also holds two professional certifications from the National Association for Interpretation (NAI): Certified Interpretive Guide and Certified Interpretive Trainer.

Presentation Description:

The mission statement of Tennessee State Parks reads: “To preserve and protect, in perpetuity, unique examples of natural, cultural, and scenic areas and to provide a variety of safe, quality outdoor experiences through a well-planned and professionally managed system of state parks.” Visitors to parks are provided opportunities to connect intellectually and emotionally with unique resources through a communication process known as interpretation. Guided hikes and tours, museum exhibits, living history demonstrations, and wayfinding signage are all examples of state park resource interpretation efforts.

In this presentation, Tennessee State Parks' Regional Interpretive Specialist Meg Guy will draw

upon her own experience working in parks to consider the importance of interpretation to the

achievement of the agency mission... specifically, how interpretation enhances a park visit and inspires park visitors to become stewards of natural and cultural resources.

SATURDAY AFTER LUNCH PROGRAM:

“Insects & Traditional Medicine”

ETSU undergraduate researcher Cade Campbell will discuss his studies with the Whitaker Lab. He has been working to document the interactions of native insects and Appalachian medicinal plants compared to species unused in the folk tradition.

SATURDAY EVENING PROGRAM:

“Fall Migration: A Fascinating Annual Display of Nature”

Ron Hoff moved to Knoxville in October 1973. He joined the Knoxville chapter of the Tennessee Ornithological Society in January, 1978. He has volunteered over the years in many positions for both the local and state TOS organization, culminating as TOS president in 2013-2015. He continues as state TOS bird count compiler, a position he has held for over 20 years.

Ron met his wife, Dollyann Myers, through the TOS state bird meetings and eventually got married in 1995. Ron's first birding trip was to the Big Bend National Park in Texas in June 1983. He and Dollyann found that they shared a huge passion for international birding and they both have now birded in just over 100 countries. His life list now stands at 8698 species seen.

Ron has also been interested in photography for many years and this carried over to birding. He has always wanted to give programs about birds to audiences to share the beauty and wonderment of birds, in the hopes that it may, in some small way, help with bird conservation. Preferring to use his own slides for his presentations, he has slowly built up his library of bird photos and has now photographed 5362 species of birds, nearly half of all the birds in the world.

Presentation Description:

Fall migration is a vast and complicated annual event. This program will present some grand statistics, minute details, and current research that will help make sense of this movement.

SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL *Roan Mountain Fall Naturalists Rally* SEPT. 8 – SEPT. 10, 2023

**Friday Night Speaker
Meg Guy**



**Saturday Night speaker
Ron Hoff**



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Gary Barrigar, President

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