



Fall Creek Falls Activities

August 20th - 27th

Welcome to Fall Creek Falls State Park! Summer vacation time is here and what a great place to spend it! The park provides a wonderful opportunity to enjoy some hiking, picnicking, boating, swimming, and wildlife watching while taking in the beautiful scenery. We encourage you to take advantage of the programs we have arranged for your enjoyment and enlightenment.

***A parent or guardian must accompany youngsters 12 years old and younger.**

For a complete schedule, please visit www.tnstateparks.com/FallCreekFalls and click on Upcoming Events or visit one of our many bulletin boards scattered around the park.

Sunday, August 20th

- 10:30am **Pinhole Projectors** – Meet Lane at the Rec. Hall to make your very own pinhole projector. This will come in handy at the solar eclipse.
- 1:30pm **Pocket Solar System** – Meet Lane at the Rec. Hall to make a pocket solar system.
- 2:00pm **Pontoon Boat Tour** – Meet Tyler at the Boat Dock for a pontoon boat tour around the lake. There is a limit of 11 and a fee of \$9 per seat. Register online by clicking the Upcoming Events tab on the Fall Creek Falls State Park webpage or visit the Nature Center for assistance. No refunds will be given for cash transactions or customer cancellations.
- 2:45pm **Supernova** – Join Lane at the Nature Center to learn about just what a star is and the types of them that exist.
- 3:00pm **Pontoon Boat Tour** – Meet Tyler at the Boat Dock for a pontoon boat tour around the lake. There is a limit of 11 and a fee of \$9 per seat. Register online by clicking the Upcoming Events tab on the Fall Creek Falls State Park webpage or visit the Nature Center for assistance. No refunds will be given for cash transactions or customer cancellations.
- 5:00pm **Indoor Constellations** – Meet Renee at the Inn to make cardboard constellations and use a projector to make our own indoor night sky.
- 6:00pm **Solar vs. Lunar Eclipse Slideshow** – Meet Renee at the Inn to learn the differences between the types of eclipses and why our American Solar Eclipse is so special.
- 7:15pm **Tales of the Sun** – Meet Tyler at Millikan's Overlook for a short hike down to Buzzard's Roost where we will share traditional tales of our sun while we watch it set over the gorge.

Monday, August 21st

The Great American Solar Eclipse will occur today. No park programs will be offered today due to all park personnel assisting the high number of visitors expected. Please enjoy this once in a lifetime experience and respect the nature around you.

Tuesday, August 22nd

- 1:30pm **Hike to the Base of Fall Creek Falls** – Meet Jonathan at the Main Overlook of Fall Creek Falls for a short but strenuous hike to the bottom of the falls. Along the way, we will discuss our park's forest ecology and geology.
- 2:00pm **Pontoon Boat Tour** – Meet Gillian at the Boat Dock for a pontoon boat tour around the lake. There is a limit of 11 and a fee of \$9 per seat. Register online by clicking the Upcoming Events tab on the Fall Creek Falls State Park webpage or visit the Nature Center for assistance. No refunds will be given for cash transactions or customer cancellations.
- 5:00pm **Trash Bash** – Meet Renee at the Inn for a post eclipse clean up. Thanks for your assistance keeping Fall Creek Falls State Park clean!

Wednesday, August 23rd

- 2:00pm **Pontoon Boat Tour** – Meet Jonathan at the Boat Dock for a pontoon boat tour around the lake. There is a limit of 11 and a fee of \$9 per seat. Register online by clicking the Upcoming Events tab on the Fall Creek Falls State Park webpage or visit the Nature Center for assistance. No refunds will be given for cash transactions or customer cancellations.
- 4:00pm **Snake Show** – Meet Jonathan at the Nature Center to get up close and personal with some of the park's more elusive residents.
- 5:00pm **Lake Life** – Meet Renee at the parking area at the Dam to learn about the plants and animals around the lake. Feel free to bring a fishing pole if you have your fishing license and lake permit.

Thursday, August 24th

- 10:00am **Buzzard's Roost Hike** – Meet Gillian at the Main Overlook of Fall Creek Falls for an easy hike to Millikan's Overlook and Buzzard's Roost. Learn about native wildlife and geology while taking in the breathtaking views from some of the park's most popular overlooks. Wear sturdy shoes and bring plenty of water.
- 3:00pm **Pontoon Boat Tour** – Meet Gillian at the Boat Dock for a pontoon boat tour around the lake. There is a limit of 11 and a fee of \$9 per seat. Register online by clicking the Upcoming Events tab on the Fall Creek Falls State Park webpage or visit the Nature Center for assistance. No refunds will be given for cash transactions or customer cancellations.

Friday, August 25th

- 2:00pm **Pontoon Boat Tour** – Meet Lane at the Boat Dock for a pontoon boat tour around the lake. There is a limit of 11 and a fee of \$9 per seat. Register online by clicking the Upcoming Events tab on the Fall Creek Falls State Park webpage or visit the Nature Center for assistance. No refunds will be given for cash transactions or customer cancellations.
- 3:30pm **Hiking Safety** – Meet Lane at the Nature Center to learn some basic dos and don'ts when you are hiking.
- 8:00pm **Evening Nature Ramble** – Meet Gillian at the Campers' Check-In for a nature walk around the golf course. This is the peak time to see some of the park's nightlife like deer, raccoons, frogs, etc.

Saturday, August 26th

- 8:30am **Hike to the Base of Fall Creek Falls** – Meet Lane at the Main Overlook of Fall Creek Falls for a short but strenuous hike to the bottom of the falls. Along the way, we will discuss our park's forest ecology and geology.
- 10:00am **Tomahawk Toss** – Meet Gillian at the Liberty Hill School (Andy Field Picnic Area – near the North Entrance) to learn the basics of how to throw a tomahawk. Must be 12 years old or older to participate in this program.

2:00pm **Tie-Dye** – Meet the Friends of Fall Creek Falls at the Rec. Hall to brighten up your wardrobe! There will be a fee of \$2 per person/per item or you can purchase a white shirt for \$5 or a printed Fall Creek Falls shirt for \$10 from the Friends. Cash only can be accepted.

2:30pm **Pontoon Boat Tour** – Meet Gillian at the Boat Dock for a pontoon boat tour around the lake. There is a limit of 11 and a fee of \$9 per seat. Register online by clicking the Upcoming Events tab on the Fall Creek Falls State Park webpage or visit the Nature Center for assistance. No refunds will be given for cash transactions or customer cancellations.

3:00pm **Arachnids at Fall Creek Falls** – Meet Lane at the Rec. Hall to learn all about the spiders and their kin that live around our park!

4:00pm **Corn Hole Tournament** – Meet Lane at the Rec. Hall to play a fun game of corn hole.

Sunday, August 27th

10:30am **Pontoon Boat Tour** – Meet Lane at the Boat Dock for a pontoon boat tour around the lake. There is a limit of 11 and a fee of \$9 per seat. Register online by clicking the Upcoming Events tab on the Fall Creek Falls State Park webpage or visit the Nature Center for assistance. No refunds will be given for cash transactions or customer cancellations.

2:00pm **Nature Station** – Stop by the Main Overlook of Fall Creek Falls between 2pm and 3pm to see what Lane has on his table! This is a great opportunity to ask questions about the park and familiarize yourself with some of the things you could encounter during your stay at Fall Creek Falls!



Cool Nature Fact

Did you know that supernovas only last a few short weeks or months? Attend Super Lane’s Supernova program on Sunday to learn more super interesting supernova facts. Be sure to ask him why he prefers super short schedules while you are there!



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