

# 2019 FALL CREEK FALLS SPECIAL EVENT WEEKENDS

## January 19th

### ***FCF Thaw 15km Run & Weekend Excursion***

Run the finale of the TSP Running Tour in a 15k traversing one of the most beautiful areas in the eastern United States. Entry forms are available at <http://tennesseerunningtour.com>

## March 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>

### ***Waterfalls Weekend***

Fall Creek Falls State Park is the premier waterfall destination in Tennessee. Photography seminars, hikes, and driving tours to multiple waterfalls are offered in addition to excursions to more remote areas to see the lesser visited waterfalls of the park and surrounding area.

## April 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>

### ***38<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Wildflower Pilgrimage***

We will explore the wildflower rich areas of the park to see many early spring wildflowers and breathtaking views. A variety of hikes, workshops, driving tours, and slideshows will be offered. Reserve a cabin or campsite today to enjoy the whole weekend at Fall Creek Falls State Park.

## April 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>

### ***Easter Weekend***

Meet in the Village Green for an Easter egg hunt and crafts for kids on Saturday. Stay at the cabins or campground to enjoy a beautiful and fun filled weekend!

## May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup>

### ***Tennessee Spring Star Party 2019***

Programs range from entry to professional level, and will be offered in the Recreation Hall. Professional and amateur astronomers will be giving free presentations. Dark sky field viewing will be Friday and Saturday night with alternate "bad weather" programs. The only cost for the event will be lodging and food. For more information, contact Allen Ball at [tnscoper@gmail.com](mailto:tnscoper@gmail.com) or Lloyd Watkins at [watkinslk@comcast.net](mailto:watkinslk@comcast.net), or visit [www.CumberlandAstronomicalSociety.org](http://www.CumberlandAstronomicalSociety.org).

## June 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>, July 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>, Aug. 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup>, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>

### ***Astronomy Weekends and Fall Star Gaze***

Fall Creek Falls State Park is exceptionally well suited to night sky viewing. Make plans to attend any or all of the Astronomy Weekends to discuss constellations and spatial relationships in the solar system. Telescope viewing will also be offered, weather permitting. For more information, email Lloyd Watkins at [watkinslk@comcast.net](mailto:watkinslk@comcast.net), or visit [www.CumberlandAstronomicalSociety.org](http://www.CumberlandAstronomicalSociety.org).

## July 4<sup>th</sup>

### ***Fourth of July Celebration***

Dress up your car, your bike, or yourself for the traditional parade to Campground "A". After watermelon and cake, field events such a sack race, the egg toss, tug-o-war, and other family favorites will be held in the Campground "A" field.

## September – May

### ***Environmental Education Program***

Fall Creek Falls State Park offers an environmental education program for multiple day school field trips during the school year. Lodging, and programs are included in the low price. Contact Ranger Matt Brown at [matthew.brown@tn.gov](mailto:matthew.brown@tn.gov) or call the Nature Center at 423-881-5708 to schedule a field trip.

## September 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, & 8<sup>th</sup>

### ***41<sup>st</sup> Annual Mountaineer Folk Festival***

The Mountaineer Folk Festival's jam-packed schedule includes handmade crafts, 2 stages of traditional mountain music, demonstrations of pioneer skills, country cooking, and much more. Don't miss this event!

## October 19<sup>th</sup>

### ***Fall Colors Spooktacular***

Enjoy a weekend filled with fall colors, boat rides, campsite decorating competitions, hayrides, campground trick-or-treating and more! Don't miss out on the most fun you can have in state parks this weekend!

## October 26<sup>th</sup>

### ***Wild Foods Day***

Field trips identifying edible wild plants and workshops on preparing wild meats and breads are just a few of the activities. The real treat comes in enjoying the wild feast.

## December 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>

### ***Christmas on the Mountain***

What could be better than enjoying live music, Christmas decorations, and a handmade craft fair on the plateau? How about a visit from Santa Claus! Enjoy breakfast with Santa and nightly visits with photographic opportunities along with lots of crafts and music this weekend!