

# June 2026

## South Mountain Recreation Area

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>GB=</b> Greenbrier State Park <b>GATH=</b> Gathland State Park <b>WM=</b> Washington Monument State Park	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>  730PM- Campfire Program- GB	<b>6</b> WM Museum Open
<b>7</b> WM Museum Open	<b>8</b> 9AM- Story Time- WM  11AM- Seniors- WM	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 10AM- Spotlight: Owls- GB 1PM- Ecosystems - GB	<b>13</b> WM Museum Open GATH Museum Open 10AM- Naturalist hike- GB
<b>14</b> WM Museum Open GATH Museum Open	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 1PM- Tree ID Hike- WM  3PM- Spotlight: Tree ID- WM	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> GATH Museum Open 3-5PM- Nature Nook Open House- GB 730PM- Campfire Program- GB	<b>20</b> WM Museum Open GATH Museum Open
<b>21 Summer Solstice!</b> WM Museum Open GATH Museum Open	<b>22</b> 9AM- Story Time- GATH  1PM- Interp. Hike- GATH	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 1-3PM Nature Nook Open Hours- GB 3PM- Art in the park- GB	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> WM Museum Open
<b>28</b> WM Museum Open	<b>29 Full Moon</b> 6PM- Evening Story Time- WM  7:30PM- Sunset Hike- WM	<b>30</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Programs with this symbol qualify for the Junior Rangers Program!</u></b></p> 	<p><b>All events are free and fun for all. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Some events will be canceled according to the weather please call 301-791-4767 to confirm. Dress for the weather/activity, wear sunscreen and insect repellent, bring plenty of water and snacks, and remember to check for ticks.</b></p>		

**June 5**

**Evening Campfire Program- All Ages Nature Trivia**

Campers are invited to the Birch Loop amphitheater for an evening program with the Greenbrier Naturalist. Enjoy fresh-popped campfire popcorn and play nature trivia for a chance to win prizes. Family-friendly trivia questions are suitable for all experience levels. *Limited to campers in Greenbrier, meet at the amphitheater in Birch Loop. 7:30PM-8:30PM*

**June 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, 27, 28**

**Washington Monument State Park Museum**

Visit the museum at Washington Monument State Park- built in 1827 by residents of nearby Boonsboro, this monument has served several interesting uses through its time and is a perfect spot to take in the panoramic views of the Great Appalachian Valley from South Mountain. *Museum is open 9AM-5PM.*

**June 8, 22**

**Story Times in the Park**

Join us for an all-ages, all-abilities story time at rotating parks through the summer! Read a story, explore the park, and learn about the natural world around us. Ages 6 months and up, must be accompanied by a caregiver. *Location changes, check calendar for details. 9-10AM*

**Seniors in the Park- Interpretive Hike**

Nature-lovers 55+ are invited to join the Naturalist for a hike up to the Washington Monument. *Meet in Washington Monument State Park at the museum. Hike will be up an inclined gravel path to the monument, approx. 0.5 miles, beginner-friendly! 11AM*

**June 12**

**Spotlight: Owls**

Stop by the Nature Nook to explore our fascinating nocturnal avian neighbors. *Nature Nook, next to Concessions in Greenbrier State Park. 10AM-12PM*

**Who Lives at the Lake?** 

Greenbrier Lake is home to many fascinating animals, insects, plants, and more!. *Meet at Greenbrier State Park at gazebo #1 in the day-use area (closest to the volleyball court). Hike will be partly around the lake, approx. 0.6 miles, beginner-friendly! 1PM-3PM*

**June 13**

**Naturalist Hike** 

Start your weekend off with a guided hike around Greenbrier Lake. Learn about the plants, insects, birds, and animals that share our park. *Meet in Greenbrier State Park, gazebo #1 in day-use area (closest to the volleyball court). Hike will be around the lake, approx. 1.2 miles, some walking on non-prepared surfaces, beginner-friendly! 10AM-12PM*

**June 13, 14, 19, 20, 21**

**Gathland State Park Museum Open**

Visit the museum at Gathland State Park and learn about a unique character in South Mountain's history. *Museum is open 9AM-5PM.*

**June 17**

**Tree ID Hike** 

Learn how to identify trees and other interesting plants on a hike up to the Washington Monument. *Meet in Washington Monument State Park at the museum. Hike will be up an inclined gravel path to the monument, approx. 0.5 miles, beginner-friendly! 1-3PM*

**Spotlight: Tree ID**

Stop by the museum at Washington Monument State Park to learn how to ID common trees and plants on the Monument trail. *Tent and table in front of museum, Washington Monument State Park. 3-5PM*

**June 19, 25**

**Nature Nook Open House**

Stop by the Nature Nook to explore our nature-themed activities! Check out a moth wing under a microscope, learn about animal diets, make a nature journal, borrow a guide book, and more! *At Nature Nook, next to concessions in Greenbrier State Park. Check the calendar for times.*

**Evening Campfire Program- Awesome Opossums!**

Learn about the fascinating adaptations of North America's most charismatic (and only) marsupial— the Virginia Opossum! *Limited to campers in Greenbrier, meet at the amphitheater in Birch Loop. 7:30PM-8:30PM*

**June 22**

**Gathland/Gapland Interpretive Hike** 

Hike on the new interpretive trail at Gathland State Park. How has South Mountain changed over time? *Meet at Gathland State Park at the War Correspondent's Arch. Hike will be around the interpretive trail, approx. 0.6 miles, low difficulty. 1PM*

**June 25**

**Art in the Park- Leaf-rubbing journal** 

Use recycled materials to create a small journal. Walk around the Greenbrier lake and collect leaf rubbings from different species of trees and see how many you can identify! Bring back your filled journal to the Nature Nook to choose a prize. *3-5 PM in front of Nature Nook, next to concessions in Greenbrier State Park*

**June 29**

**Evening Storytime in the Park**

Join us for an all-ages, all-abilities story time at rotating parks through the summer! Read a story, explore the park, and learn about the natural world around us. Ages 6 months and up, must be accompanied by a caregiver. *Meet at Washington Monument State Park Museum. 6-7PM*

**Full Moon Sunset Hike** 

Meet at the base of the Washington Monument trail and walk up to the monument in time to watch the sun set over the Great Appalachian Valley. Appreciate the "Strawberry Moon" before hiking back down. Flashlights or head lamps are suggested. *Meet at Washington Monument State Park Museum. 7:30PM*

