

SNPA Membership Days

Skyland Conference Hall (mile 42.5)

Friday, May 14, 2010 and Saturday, May 15, 2010

The SNPA Board of Directors is pleased to announce the schedule for the *SNPA Membership Days*, May 14-15, 2010. We hope you will make plans to join us! Please review the schedule below, complete the pre-registration form, and return to SNPA as soon as possible. All events will be held in the Skyland Conference Hall or begin from that point. A \$15.00 registration fee will be required (\$25 for couples and \$5 for each child).

Friday, May 14 (Skyland Conference Hall)

- *Reception (5:00 - 6:30 p.m.)*
Join the SNPA Board for a meet-and-greet and enjoy light hors d'oeuvres while enjoying background music by Tim Seaman (artist and producer of *Here On This Ridge CD*).

Saturday, May 15 (Skyland Conference Hall)

- *Registration (begins at 7:00 a.m.)* Coffee, tea, hot chocolate, pastries, and fruit will be provided during the early morning hours.
- *Morning Bird Walk (7:15 - 8:30 a.m., limited space, easy)* Enjoy an early morning bird walk with avid birders & photographers Ann and Rob Simpson and learn more about the birds that live in Shenandoah National Park.
- *Scavenger Hike (8:30 - 10:30 a.m., easy)* Take a hike along the Limberlost Trail with *Scavenger Hike Adventure's* authors Kat and John LaFevre. Participants will be looking for the many treasures along the trail and learn things about the forest that you may have never known. Meet at the Skyland Conference Hall to carpool to the trail.
- *Walk for Sunshine Talk (8:30 - 10:00 a.m.)* Join Jeff Alt, author of *A Walk for Sunshine*, as he takes you on his highly acclaimed, entertaining adventure along the Appalachian Trail. His presentation features slides and personal narration based on his award-winning book with background music provided by Tim Seaman.

- **Massanutten Lodge Tour** (10:00 - 11:00 a.m., *limited space, easy*) Take a tour of the restored cabin once owned by Addie Nairn Pollock. Learn about life during the days of Stony Man Camp and view the popular interpretive exhibit.
- **SNPA Membership Meeting** (11:00 a.m. - noon) Join us for a membership meeting, a welcome from Park Superintendent Martha Bogle, a celebration of 60 years of SNPA, and a report on the plans for the park's 75th Anniversary in 2011.
- **Members Luncheon** (noon - 1:15 p.m.) SNPA members will enjoy a buffet lunch at the Skyland Conference Hall.
- **Nature Photography Hike** (1:30 - 3:30 p.m., *easy to moderate*) Take a hike with nature photographers Ann & Rob Simpson and learn more about how to use your camera to capture the natural beauties of the park. Bring your own camera.
- **The Emerald Ash Borer, Ash Trees, and the Park's Firewood Ban** (1:30 - 2:30 p.m.) Biologist Rolf Gubler will tell members about the nonnative insect pest, the emerald ash borer (EAB) and our ash trees. He will explain what the park is doing to monitor for early detection of EAB. He will also give an update on the park's firewood ban and our ongoing educational efforts aimed at minimizing the introduction of this ash-destroying insect pest.
- **The Nature-Friendly Garden Talk** (2:30 - 3:30 p.m.) Enjoy a presentation by Marlene Condon, author of *Nature-Friendly Garden: Creating a Backyard Haven for Plants, Wildlife, and People*. Learn about the wildlife that makes your gardening efforts enjoyable and productive.

SNPA Membership Days Pre-Registration Form

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Name(s) _____
(please include names of each guest) _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Daytime Phone _____ Email Address _____

Registration Fee: \$15 per person, \$25 per couple, \$5 per child. Refunds for cancellation will be available until April 30 when a final count to the concessioner is due.

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

<i>Time</i>	<i>Programs</i>	<i>Number Attending</i>
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5:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Reception	_____
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1:30 - 2:30 p.m.	Emerald Ash Borer presentation	_____
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.	Nature-Friendly Garden Talk	_____

Please complete the pre-registration form and mail, along with the registration fee to: SNPA, 3655 US Hwy 211 E, Luray, VA 22835. Checks should be made out to SNPA. You can also call the office at 540-999-3582 and register by credit card. Confirmation will be sent to you prior to the event.