

60th Nature Tour

May 3, 4 & 5th, 2024

Come and celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the Webster Co. Nature Tour. It started in 1962 as a 1-day event and has grown into this special 3-day weekend. The Nature Tour is sponsored by the Webster Springs Garden Club. Nature Tour takes place at Camp Caesar 4-H Camp on Rt.20 between Cowen and Webster Springs, West Virginia. Our guests will stay in the rustic log and cut-stone cabins surrounded by the beautiful hills of the Monongahela National Forest.

The cost of this fun-filled weekend is \$160.00 which includes 5 meals, 2 nights lodging, nightly program or entertainment, your choice of tours. There will be a Meditation Walk and a Bird Watch on Sun. morning. If you want to participate in everything but not stay at Camp Caesar the cost will be \$105.00. Tour and bagged lunch will be \$40.00. Tour only will be \$25.00. A \$50.00 deposit for each participant must accompany your registration.

There will be an Educational Program on Friday night at 7:00p.m., in Cantral Hall. Mike Hall from the WV Exten. Office will be the speaker. Mike's presentation will be about Citizen Science. Saturday night's entertainment will be the **Gauley Divide** featuring Kevin Cochran, Dwayne McCourt and friends. There will also be dancing. We will also have door prizes and refreshments. Guests will be housed dormitory style (males in separate cabins from the females) and will stay in heated cabins w/ bathrooms.

REGISTRATION FORM FOR THE WEBSTER COUNTY NATURE TOUR 2024 MAY 3, 4, AND 5th 2024

Please send a \$50.00 deposit to reserve your space by May 1, 2024.
We cannot accept Credit Cards.

Name and address of those attending.

Please mail to: Webster County Nature Tour
P.O. Box 43
Webster Springs, WV 26288

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____

ZIP _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

SPECIAL REQUESTS _____

TENATIVE TOURS

ELK MOUNTAIN ---The tour will be led by Jerry Westfall, a wildlife biologist with WV Div. of Natural Resources. It is a very rugged climb. Travel to Diana and cross Holly River, on a bridge. Begin the 700 ft. uphill hike to the top of Elk Mountain, where you will see a beautiful PANORAMIC VIEW. Notice the variety of wildflowers, trees, and plants. You can eat your lunch on the rock cliff, while you enjoy the breath-taking view. Don't attempt this if you have health concerns.

BISHOP KNOB---The tour will be led by Tom Fox, retired from the WV Div. of Natural Resources. You will travel to the ending point and park some of the vehicles. Carpool to the top, where the trail begins a gradual descent from top of Addison Rock House. You will trail to the bottom. There are a couple of small streams that you will cross. Tom and his wife, Dawn will educate you about the many shrubs, flowers, ferns, and trees that you will discover. This trail is not very rugged.

BACKFORK OF ELK---The tour will be led by Chris Gatens, retired from the WV Dept. of Environ. Protection. After a small drive, you will walk along the Elk River and discover the many wildflowers, trees, shrubs, vines, and beautiful waterfalls. The tour isn't very rugged and is about 2 miles long.

"NEW" CRANBERRY GLADES AND SCENIC HIGHWAY---The tour will be led by Kevin Campbell, retired from the WV Dept. of Environmental Protection. This new tour will be a driving & partly walking tour. There will be short walks. Enjoy the boardwalk. It will include the Big Spruce Overlook. There should be several of our native spring wildflowers, ferns, shrubs, and trees. Kevin will teach you all about the flowers, plants, and nature.

SUNDAY BIRD WATCH---There will be a Bird Watch on Sunday morning at 6:00 a.m. It will be led by Jerry Westfall and Tom Fox. Meet in the lower parking lot. **Bring your binoculars!** More info will be available that weekend.

You will need a sleeping bag or sheets, blanket and a pillow, a towel, washcloth, personal items, sturdy hiking boots, warm clothing, rain gear, flashlight, binoculars, a backpack, a small pack of tissue, a thermos, and perhaps a walking stick.

Meals will be served in the Dining Hall except for the bagged lunches on Saturday. Dinner will be served at 6:00 P.M. and breakfast will be at 8:00 A.M.

Registration will be at 3:00 P.M. on Friday, May 3rd in Cantral Hall (the dark brown building) where you will find refreshments and Garden Club members waiting to WELCOME YOU.

Tours range from very rugged to easy walking. You will choose which tour you want to participate in. Experienced tour guides will lead you through the beautiful hills and valleys of Webster County and the surrounding areas. You will find a variety of wildflowers, trees, shrubs, ferns, mosses, rock formations, rippling streams and rivers, waterfalls, and breath-taking scenery. BRING YOUR CAMERA. Be prepared to take your vehicle.

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www.facebook.com/TheWebsterCountyNatureTour
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Price List

- Complete
3-Day Weekend-----\$160.00
- Without Lodging-----\$105.00
- Tour & Bagged Lunch-----\$40.00
- Tour Only-----\$25.00

Locals that want to take a tour only should be at Camp Caesar by 8:45 a.m. Saturday morning, May 4th.



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