

**2003 Summer Events
at the Cradle of Forestry
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June 7 Salamander Saturday 11:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Come learn about the many kinds of Appalachian salamanders with guided investigations at 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Dr. Bob Glesener of Brevard College will present a slide show featuring these amazing critters at 1:00 p.m. There will be a hands-on table set up throughout the day so you can see salamanders up close and personal.

June 14 Flag Day

The Cradle of Forestry will celebrate Flag Day on Saturday, June 14th. Free USA flags will be given to the first 100 cars to come into the Cradle of Forestry, courtesy of the Buncombe County Veteran's Council. There will also be displays on various USA flags through the history of our country including efforts by the Smithsonian Museum to restore the original Star Spangled Banner that flew over Fort McHenry during the War of 1812. The flag that is raised daily at the Cradle once flew over the nation's capital and was obtained through the office of Congressman Charles Taylor.

June 15 Father's Day in the Forest 12:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

Looking for something to do on Father's Day? Grab Dad, pack a picnic and come play at the Cradle of Forestry historic site. From 12:00 noon–5:00 p.m. try your hand at our miniature frisbee golf course, guided hikes and the compass challenge trail. Then at 3:00 p.m. see a live animal program presented by Joe Duckett of the Flat Rock Nature Center.

June 21 Walk to the Wetlands 10:30 a.m.

Beaver wetlands, a changing forest, wildflowers, and dragonflies are just some of the wonders waiting along the Pink Beds Trail for us to discover. Bring water, snacks or lunch, and wear good hiking shoes on this 5 mile, easy interpretive hike in a valley filled with beauty and history. Meet at 10:30 a.m. at the Cradle.

June 21 Fire in the Forest 3:00 p.m.

Learn about fire and how it is managed by the U.S. Forest Service. Explore a fire engine and try on fire fighting clothes. Activities for all ages.

June 28 Bug Day 11:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Come out to the Cradle of Forestry and learn about bugs. From 11:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Beth Suttles, a Biology Instructor at Brevard College, will have a table set up with all kinds of bugs on display. There will be a bug hunt at 11:00 a.m. and again at 3:00 p.m.

June 28 Twilight Tour 7:30 p.m.—9:30 p.m.

Fireflies are fascinating! Join us for an easy, slow paced walk to learn more about the natural history of these beetles. We will meet at the Pink Beds Picnic Area next to the Cradle of Forestry to discuss their life cycles and then walk about looking for them. Bring along a flashlight and your sense of wonder. \$\$

June 28 Professional Lumberjack Sports

Sponsored by the South Atlantic Woodsmen's Association and Stihl, Inc.

Paul Bunyan is coming to town! At least it will seem that way when the SAWA Pro Lumberjack Series, presented by Stihl®, comes to the Cradle of Forestry on June 28. You'll know these guys when you see them. They'll be the ones carrying six pound razor sharp axes, six foot long crosscut saws and 250 cc motor bike engines disguised as chainsaws. With a number of events throughout the day, the lumberjacks will chop and saw their way through a truckload of logs in no time flat. The chopping events are handicapped, but even so the eventual winner will need to chop through a 12" hardwood log in under a minute, and possibly under 30 seconds, to have a chance at the blue ribbon! And that's nothing compared to the sawing events. Using super-modified chainsaws, some of which are built from motorcycle engines, they can make three cuts through those logs in under 10 seconds... and that includes starting the saw! Featuring many of the same events and competitors as the "Stihl TimberSports Series ®" on ESPN, the SAWA Pro Lumberjack Series also includes Regional, Collegiate and Junior competitors using an Australian style handicapping system for added excitement. So if you're looking for a great day of entertainment, come on out and catch the action as these modern day Paul Bunyans smash through some logs!

July 5 Pond Exploring 11:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.

Explore the Cradle's pond and find out who lives in this fascinating ecosystem. This is a hands-on activity lead by Interpretive Specialist Wess Klunk. Programs will be offered at 11:00 a.m. and again at 3:00 p.m.

Songcatcher's Music Series-Sundays in July at 2:00 p.m.

Enjoy the colorful music of Appalachian heritage at 2:00 p.m. each Sunday in July. Bring chairs or blankets to sit on for this outdoor concert. Picnics welcome. The concert will be followed by informal music gatherings at the historic cabins along the Biltmore Campus Trail.

July 6 Sheila Kay Adams –7th generation storyteller and folk singer 2:00 p.m.

July 13 Too Hot to Cook – Mountain Music 2:00 p.m.

July 20 Mary Jane Queen & The Queen Family 2:00 p.m.

July 27 David Brose –folklorist for the John C. Campbell Folk School 2:00 p.m.

July 12 Afternoon Tea with the Llamas 11:00 a.m. & 2:00 p.m.

Go on a guided walk with llamas. Bring a snack or lunch and we'll provide the cold tea and cups for this picnic in the woods. Hike is about 2 miles roundtrip.

July 19 Reading the Woods 10:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Every acre of land has a history and a story to tell. We'll discover a book by exploring with our senses, finding clues from forest layers, topography, and plants we'll identify, and reflecting on human influences. Learn how to find the unwritten story of your own backyard. Best for ages 10 to adult.

July 19 Junior Forest Ranger 3:00 p.m.

Calling all kids ages 7-12 to come learn how special our forest is and how to take care of it. Become a Junior Forest Ranger by completing the following activities: booklet, scavenger hunt, history of a tree and interviewing a Ranger. When the booklet has been completed, each child will receive a patch, badge and certificate that makes them an official Junior Forest Ranger.

July 26 Outdoor and Air Awareness Day 11:00 p.m.— 4:00 p.m.

Practice mtn. biking skills, maneuvering your way around a challenge compass course, or join a guided tour on our accessible trails. Throughout the day, learn about Air Awareness and Leave No Trace Ethics. Learn about air quality in western North Carolina with several representatives from air quality organizations. Bring your mtn. bike and go on the guided ride at 11:00 a.m. The compass activities will start at 3:00 p.m.

August 2 Smokey Bear's Birthday Party 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Games, singing, puppet shows, fire fighting equipment, birthday cake and of course, Smokey Bear. The party will last from 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. followed by a Live Animal Program presented by the Flat Rock Nature Center at 1:30 p.m.

August 9 Train History 12:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

Join train historians and enthusiasts as we learn about the old logging trains of our region. Then walk out to see the Cradle's 1915 Climax logging locomotive. Climb on board and ring the bell!

August 16 The Wonders of Wood 12:00 noon—5:00 p.m.

Learn what everyday things come from the forest. There will be hands-on activities and exhibits. See wood products, live demonstrations, wood instruments and more.

August 23 Pink Beds Homecoming

Calling folks who grew up in the Pink Beds and Pisgah Forest communities. Bring your photos and stories of the region to share. Spend the afternoon swapping stories.

August 30 Tools Used to Survive the Late 1800's 12:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

Discover how the Pink Beds community of the late 1800's used tools in their everyday life: home, schools, stores and gardens. See lots of antique equipment.

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September 6 **Terrific Tree Day** **12:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.**

Paper making, leaf printing, and the tree ID course are all activities offered on this special day to help you learn about the trees in your forest.

September 13 **Magnificent Migrating Monarchs with Ina Warren** **2:00 p.m.**

Join local naturalist, Ina Warren, as she presents a slide-illustrated talk on the natural history of the monarch butterfly, their complex life cycle, migration route and the current threats to their habitat. After the slide presentation the group will take a walkabout outside to look for the Monarch butterfly.

September 20 **Local Documentary Screenings 12:00 noon & 2:00 p.m.**

“Women of These Hills, Stories of Growing Up in Appalachia”

Five women share their stories of growing up in the Appalachian mountains of western North Carolina. Through the art of storytelling, this living documentary preserves the history of these special women and their families, and captures the spirit of the Appalachian people. Features interviews with Vera Cansler-Pisgah Forest, NC; Vera Stinson-Cedar Mtn., NC; Selena Robinson-Brevard, NC; Barbara Miller-Canton, NC; and Sheila Kay Adams-Sodom, NC. Showing at 12:00 noon. This is a film by Tammy Hopkins, Jack Conrad, James Suttles and the Cradle of Forestry Interpretive Association.

“Three Cultures of Appalachia”

Three Appalachian women share their stories of growing up in the western North Carolina Mountains. Take a glimpse into their life as they share their memories of growing up not only as mountain women, but also as Cherokee, Scots-Irish and African-American women. Features interviews with Amanda Swimmer-Cherokee, NC; Mary Jane Queen-Cullowhee, NC; and Elizabeth Allen-Hendersonville, NC. Showing at 2:00 p.m. This is a film by Tammy Hopkins, James Suttles and the Cradle of Forestry Interpretive Association.

September 20 **Junior Forest Ranger** **2:00 p.m.**

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September 27 **Green Invaders! And other Ecology Games 1:30 p.m.**

How diverse is your backyard? The active “Green Invaders” game shows us impacts of invasive plants on native flora. Find out actions you can take to contribute to natural diversity in your backyard and beyond. Ages 7-adult.

October 4 Forest Festival Day 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

More than 50 craftsmen, exhibitors and entertainers gather at the Cradle of Forestry to celebrate our forests and forest heritage. Highlights include: mountain music, wood carvers, weavers, a quilter, a potter, blacksmith, a toy maker, and a Woodsmen's Meet—old time lumberjack competition. This event is sponsored by STIHL, Inc.

October 4 Woodsmen's Meet Sponsored by STIHL, Inc. 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Cheer as college forestry students compete in axe throwing, cross cut sawing, speed chopping, orienteering, fire building, tree climbing, log rolling and an obstacle course. Organized by Haywood Community College and sponsored by STIHL, Inc.

October 11 Guided Hike to Soapstone Ridge 11:00 a.m.

A moderate hike of about 5 miles starting at the Cradle of Forestry and hiking the Pink Beds Trail to the Mountains to Sea Trail and back to the Cradle again. Pack water, lunch, rain gear, and wear good hiking shoes. Youth ages 8 and up are welcome with an adult.

October 11 & 12 Guided Fall Foliage Walk

Take a walk with one of our tour guides on our one mile paved trails. Meander through the beautiful fall foliage, while viewing Dr. Schenck's forestry experiments, seven historic buildings including: school house, commissary, student quarters, a logging locomotive, and a portable saw mill. The guided fall walk is available all week. (9:50 a.m., 11:20 a.m., 12:50 p.m., 2:20 p.m. and 3:50 p.m.)

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October 24 & 25 “The Legend of Tommy Hodges”

6:30 p.m., 7:45 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.

Over time, a mystery becomes a legend and the legend grows in the telling. . . This outdoor drama is based on diaries from students who attended the first forestry school in America. Audience members need to dress warm and wear walking shoes, the show is one mile long! Admission is \$5.00 per person. CFAIA members \$3.00 each. Includes hot cider and cookies. **Please make reservations by calling 828-877-3130.**