

**AGENDA
VAFP FALL CONFERENCE
OCTOBER 25 – 29, 2011**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25

5:00 p.m. - ???? **“Conviviality & Food”- Cove Ridge Center, Natural Tunnel State Park (NTSP)**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26

8:00 – 9:00 a.m. **Breakfast - Cove Ridge Center**

9:00 – 9:15 a.m. **Craig Seaver, NTSP Manager**

- **Welcome**
- **NTSP Info**
- **Activities available for the day**

9:15 – 12:00 noon **Tour of Natural Tunnel with chairlift ride**

- **Author of the book “Natural Tunnel, Nature’s Marvel in Stone” will provide brief comments and interpretation on deck at tunnel entrance**

Other park activities if time permits

12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m. **Lunch - Cove Ridge Center**

1:00 – 1:15 p.m. **“District VII Overview” – Dave Collett, District Manager**

1:15 – 5:00 p.m. **Wilderness Road Blockhouse Exhibits with “Historic Hayride of Rye Cove” Interpretive Program**

Other park activities if time permits

5:00 – 6:00 p.m. **“Conviviality” - Cove Ridge Center**

6:00 – 7:00 p.m. **Dinner - Complements of Cove Ridge Foundation**
Speakers – Natural Tunnel State Park’s Partnership Programs:

- **Cove Ridge Foundation**
- **Daniel Boone Wilderness Trail Association**

7:00 p.m. - ??? **“Conviviality”**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27

- 7:00 – 8:00 a.m.** **Breakfast - Cove Ridge Center**
- 8:15 – 9:15 a.m.** **Travel to Wilderness Road State Park (WRSP)**
- 9:15 – 9:30 a.m.** **Welcome & Overview – Jon Tustin, Park Manager**
- 9:30 – 12:00 noon** **Remarks by Captain Joseph Martin (aka Billy Heck, Chief Ranger)**
Tour Martin’s Station
Tour Karlen House
Friends Group complementary snack
- 12:00 – 1:15 p.m.** **Travel to Southwest Virginia Museum Historical State Park**
- 1:15 – 1:30 p.m.** **Welcome & Overview – Sharon Ewing, Museum Director**
- 1:00 – 4:30 p.m.** **Friends Group Complementary Lunch**
Musical Performance by cellist Dave Eggar
Tour Museum
- 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.** **Travel to Breaks Interstate Park (BIP)**
- 6:00 – ??? p.m.** **“Conviviality” --Room 300**
Dinner on your own (BIP Restaurant highly recommended)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

- 8:00 – 9:00 a.m.** **Breakfast – Conference Center: Buchanan/Dickenson Rooms**
- 9:00 – 9:30 a.m.** **Matt O’Quinn – BIP Manager**
 - **Welcome**
 - **Breaks Interstate Park Overview**
 - **Activities available for the day**
- 9:30 – 9:45 a.m.** **Business Meeting Components**
 - **Approval – Spring Meeting Minutes**
 - **Treasurer’s Report**
 - **Officer Elections**
- 9:45 – 12:00 noon** **Park Activities including:**
 - **Geology tour led by local author**
 - **Ranger escorted van tour of overlooks**
 - **Gristmill & Moonshine Demonstration**
- 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.** **Cookout Lunch @ Shelter 5/Cabin 5 – Complements of BIP**

- 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.** Choose among park activities including:
- Golf (bring your own clubs)
 - Paddleboats / Canoes
 - Hiking, etc.
 - Interpretive Programs
 - Horseback riding (fee)
- 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.** “Conviviality” – Room 300
- 6:00 –** Dinner @ Conference Center – Complements of BIP
 Guest & Speaker – Senator Phillip Puckett
 The Jack Stanley Bluegrass Band
- “Conviviality” continued

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

- 7:00 – 8:00 a.m.** Breakfast – Conference Center
- 8:00 – 9:15 a.m.** “State of the Park System” – Joe Elton, VA Park System Director
- 9:15 – 9:30 a.m.** Break
- 9:30 – 10:00 a.m.** “Breaks Interstate Park: The KY Perspective” –
 Gerry Van der Meer, KY Park System Director
- 10:00 – 10:30 a.m.** Training/Education Session – Patty Elton
- 10:30 – 10:45 a.m.** Break
- 10:45 – 11:15 a.m.** “Potential Visitor Center Exhibits for the Future” –
 Fred Lochner, Owner, Imperial Multimedia
- 11:15 – 11:30 a.m.** President’s Report – Johnny Finch
- 11:30 – 11:45 a.m.** Volunteer Issues – Gaston Rouse, Director of
 Community Engagement & Volunteerism
- 11:45 – 12:00 noon** Open Floor Discussion
- 12:00 noon** Adjourn & lunch
- 1:00 p.m.** Executive Committee meeting in the Conference Center