



Volunteer Newsletter

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WORK DAYS AT PARK: now every Wednesday!

The work done on Arbor Day (April 30th), by 7 volunteers was a great success. Work Days are from 9am to 12pm every Wednesday beginning May 19th. Meet at Spruce Creek Park. **Volunteer** and enjoy a few hours of fellowship with neighbors as we maintain the park and trails at RVF. Bring your clippers. Current SCP Tasks: Water new plantings, remove vines, weed and prep milkweed garden display, prep Jamestown Native shed beds, remove grass on gravel paths, mulch around trees, pick up sticks, weed butterfly garden, and more. The opportunity exists for 3 persons to each adopt 100' of the Native Plant Walk. Contact us to schedule a time to learn more if interested.



Invitation to Host at Natural History Center

The NHC has been closed since Dec. 2019 and is set to reopen by July 4th. We must have hosts to open. Come visit on May 19th or 26th between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. and see what changes have been made and view the new exhibit provided by Betsy, Linda, and Chuck which tells the stories of water, rocks, plants and animals. Learn what the job as host entails and **volunteer**. The exhibits have been made very easy to understand for all ages. RVF is fortunate to have Chuck Bailey, faculty at William and Mary, helping RVF present the story of geology. He recently purchased a small farm on the Tye River.





<u>Visitor Information Materials and the "Two Beckys"</u>

RVF prides itself for providing information materials about RVF and Nelson County. We offer over 60 different rack cards. RVF is fortunate to have Becky Evans and Becky Howard (pictured left) restocking our kiosks with materials sourced and organized by Robert Jennings at RVF. **Volunteer** to create content to update kiosk exhibits and tell us about others rack cards that are available.

Release of Envelope for "Check Box Questionnaires"

We need 40 volunteers. No joke! RVF seeks to learn our visitor's interests and how we can do better. You can become a marketing deputy picking up 25 envelopes (sample pictured right) on the porch of the museum and just hand them out to visitors at the park and on the trails. An easy task that will pay off in so many ways.

HELP US TO SERVE YOU BETTER	
Which of the following interests you? (check all that apply) :	
Rockfish TrailsSpruce Creek Park and Playground	A
Natural History Center museum	NA PARA
Trail Storybooks Nelson History and Culture	
Children's Activities Programs and Events	
Walking Your Dog How to Volunteer	
FAMILY Guided Walk/Talks on Rocks, Water, Plants, And Animals	
RECEIVE RVF NEWSLETTERS AND NOTICE OF EVENTS VIA EMAIL	
Your name	
Your address	
PLEASE LIKE US AND FOLLOW US ON FAC	
If you like us, please DONATE to help us to serve you better	
OR visit www.rockfishvalley.org to donate o	
OR mail check to PO Box 235 Nellysford, VA	22958

Old Wintergreen Day: July 4th 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

14 exhibitors, 3 hours of the Rockfish Gap Band, food truck, a classic
fire engine and much more. Wintergreen Village is the historic center
of the Rockfish Valley and was the crossroads from which Wintergreen Resort got its name.

Volunteer for set up, parking, welcoming visitors with envelopes, and taking trash. Share the history of this historic crossroad in Nelson County with your neighbors.

Help Spread the Word and Get Involved With RVF

Go to the volunteer section of the website <u>rockfishvalley.org/blog/volunteer</u> and fill out the application to join the volunteer committee. Help with marketing, public relations or trail monitoring. All is much needed. Thanks to the past leadership (over nearly 16 years) and to RVF's docents, gardeners and trail workers, the RVF community facilities are what they are today. They remain free and open to all.







