



Monterey Pass Battlefield Park and Museum Calendar Items a/o 22 Apr 2024

Year Round [Annual 4 Seasons Photo Contest](#): see details [here](#)

Mar 30, 10am – 12am: Docent Training for the Museum's 2024 Season At the beginning of each season, new and old Museum Docents are provided an initial / refresher session at the museum. They review sales procedures, forms for volunteer help and for donations, new exhibits, opening and closing procedures, 2024 events and future projects in and around the Monterey Pass Battlefield Park. The Friends are always looking for more docents and other volunteers to help with summer activities. If you are interested, or know of others who enjoy sharing our local history with guests from throughout the nation, contact us at montereypassbattlefield@gmail.com.

Apr 3 - 19: [Buttonwood Nature Center, Home of the Institute](#) will be hosting 5th Graders from the Waynesboro School District Starting **Wednesday, April 3rd** on weekdays through **Friday, April 19th**. Students will enjoy two programs, *Monterey Peak Adventures* and *Civil War: Battle at Monterey Pass*. They will hike to the Monterey Peak observation deck and learn about forest ecology and the geologic features surrounding them. They will also get an overview of the Civil War as well as the battle that took place at midnight along the Mason-Dixon Line in July 1863. Students will tour the museum and experience hands on activities to learn about the everyday lives of the Civil War soldiers.

Apr 6 - Nov 10: [Museum is open for 2024 Season](#) (Every Sat & Sun, 10am - 4pm)

Apr 13 – 14: [Living History Weekend](#) – Military Encampment and Battle Reenactment. • Join the War Between the States Society as Union Cavalry Mounted and Dismounted units the 1st WV Cavalry and the 1st, 5th, 6th, and 7th Michigan Cavalry, face off against Confederate units the 1st MD Cavalry, the 5th AL Infantry, and the 5th, 12th, 20th and 23rd North Carolina Infantry to reenact camp life and the Battle of Monterey Pass. Units will be available late Friday afternoon - Sunday to share camp life, the school of the soldier, and unit histories. A blacksmith will demonstrate era skills and have items for sale. Author Joel Moore will have his new new bok and other stories. In addition, the following specific events will occur each day:

- Battle of Monterey Pass Reenactment
 - Sat 2 - 3pm
 - Sun 1 - 2pm
- Unit Reviews
 - Sat 10am - 4pm
 - Sun 10:30am - 3pm
- Blacksmith
 - Sat 10am-3pm
 - Sun 10am-2pm

Apr 21: Music in the Park - [Waynesboro Area High School Band](#) (2 - 3 pm). Guests are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and / or blankets as this is an outdoor event.

Apr 30 – 6:30 – 7:30 pm: [Garden Talk #1 of 5: Kitchen Gardens: Abundant Harvests at Your Back Doorstep](#) Civil War Garden at Monterey Pass Battlefield Park, 14325 Buchanan Trail East, Waynesboro, PA. Free program. Gardening expert Melissa Irwin presents an in-the-garden program about how to create an abundant kitchen garden. Learn tips and tricks for getting food from your garden to your table this year. From veggies to herbs, you can add a taste of the season to every dish you prepare with a simple kitchen garden just outside your back door! Free, but space is limited and registration is required. Register online at buttonwoodnaturecenter.org. Hosted by Buttonwood Nature Center, Home of The Institute in partnership with Monterey Pass Battlefield Park. Website link: <https://buttonwoodnaturecenter.org/event/garden-talk-1-spring-2024/>

May 7 – 6:30 – 7:30 pm: [Garden Talk #2 of 5: Terrific Tomato Tips](#) Civil War Garden at Monterey Pass Battlefield Park, 14325 Buchanan Trail East, Waynesboro, PA. Free program. Gardening expert Melissa Irwin presents an in-the-garden program. What's not to love about sweet, juicy tomatoes straight from the garden? Learn everything you need to know from planting to choosing varieties to pruning, harvesting and more! Make your tomato plants the envy of the neighborhood this summer. Free, but space is limited and registration is required. Register online at buttonwoodnaturecenter.org. Hosted by Buttonwood Nature Center, Home of The Institute in partnership with Monterey Pass Battlefield Park. Website link: <https://buttonwoodnaturecenter.org/event/garden-talk-2-spring-2024/>

May 11: Civil War Trails Sign Dedication (time and program TBD)

May 11 – 12: [Living History Weekend](#) at the Battlefield Park: Join contemporary representatives of the [2nd United States Sharpshooters \(USSS\)](#) as they demonstrate Sharpshooter skills and techniques, and soldiers lives during the Civil War. Sharpshooters and skirmishers played a major role in Civil War Battles. Both sides used these means to find and determine the shape of their adversaries formations. Schedule includes:

- Camp Life Open to Visit
 - Sat 9:30am - 4pm
 - Sun 10am - 2pm
- Sharp Shooters Tactical Demos (blank fire)
 - Sat & Sun 10am - 1pm

May 11 – 12 : Also this weekend, [Resident Battlefield Guide John Galie Walking Tours in the Park](#). A thoroughly enjoyable and easy walk along the trails and roads used by retreating Confederate and pursuing Union forces. (Sat – 11am & 2pm, Sun – 11am)

May 14 – 6:30 – 7:30 pm: [Garden Talk #3 of 5: Mastering Companion Planting](#) Civil War Garden at Monterey Pass Battlefield Park, 14325 Buchanan Trail East, Waynesboro, PA. Free program. Gardening expert Melissa Irwin presents an in-the-garden program. Knowing which plants belong close together in the garden can be the difference between failure and sweet success. Learn all you need to know about how to use plants to attract pollinators, deter pests, provide soil nutrients and more. Companion planting allows you to let nature do the work for you. Free, but space is limited and registration is required. Register online at buttonwoodnaturecenter.org. Hosted by Buttonwood Nature Center, Home of The Institute in

partnership with Monterey Pass Battlefield Park. Website link: <https://buttonwoodnaturecenter.org/event/garden-talk-3-spring-2024/>

May 21 – 6:30 – 7:30 pm: Garden Talk #4 of 5: Salad Greens Success Civil War Garden at Monterey Pass Battlefield Park, 14325 Buchanan Trail East, Waynesboro, PA. Free program. Gardening expert Melissa Irwin presents an in-the-garden program. Growing your own salad greens is one of the easiest ways to provide fresh food year-round from your garden. Learn everything from how to start your own seeds to season extension and explore the wide variety of greens that you can grow right at home! Free, but space is limited and registration is required. Register online at buttonwoodnaturecenter.org. Hosted by Buttonwood Nature Center, Home of The Institute in partnership with Monterey Pass Battlefield Park. Website link: <https://buttonwoodnaturecenter.org/event/garden-talk-4-spring-2024/>

May 28 – 6:30 – 7:30 pm: Garden Talk #5 of 5: What Is Permaculture? Permaculture Basics Civil War Garden at Monterey Pass Battlefield Park, 14325 Buchanan Trail East, Waynesboro, PA. Free program. Gardening expert Melissa Irwin presents an in-the-garden program. Have you been wanting to learn how you can minimize work in the yard, maximize yield from your garden, heal the earth, and live a richer, healthier life that's rooted in nature? If so, permaculture might be the answer for you! Learn the basics of permaculture and how it is changing lives all around the world. Free, but space is limited and registration is required. Register online at buttonwoodnaturecenter.org. Hosted by Buttonwood Nature Center, Home of The Institute in partnership with Monterey Pass Battlefield Park. Website link: <https://buttonwoodnaturecenter.org/event/garden-talk-5-spring-2024/>

Jun 1: History, Mystery, & Haunts of the Monterey Pass Battlefield (7 - 10pm): Join Pam Barry of "[Historic Haunts of Waynesboro](#)" as they investigate the retreat end of The Battle of Gettysburg. Monterey Pass Battlefield is a "Hidden Gem" less than 20 miles from Gettysburg. Respectfully walk these hallowed grounds with and investigate through history. Professional tour by Pam. Sign up by calling 717-521-7465 or email pambarry@yahoo.com. \$60 per person.

Jun 1 – 23: Book Sale:

- **On weekdays from June 1 – 23:** Take your old books to R. Lee Royer's office at 10764 Buchanan Trail East, Waynesboro PA, during their normal business hours (**Monday-Friday, 8 am – 5 pm**).
- **On Saturdays and Sundays, June 1 – 23, from 10 am to 4 pm,** come to the Museum to find that book you've been looking for.
- **For more information on book drop-offs, or the book sale, call 717-762-5619, or email leeroyerassociates@comcast.net, or montereypassbattlefield@gmail.com.**
- All books not purchased will be donated to the Blue Ridge Summit Library at their Iced Cream Social on Jul 20th at the Blue Ridge Summit Free Library.

Jun 9: One day only, **Resident Battlefield Guide John Galie Walking Tours in the Park.** A thoroughly enjoyable and easy walk along the trails and roads used by retreating Confederate and pursuing Union forces. (Sunday only – 11am)

Jun 29, (1 – 4 pm): Music in the Park – Bobby D and the Truck Stop Burritos – Bobby D. and the Truckstop Burritos are Bobby Miller, Greg Johnson, David Repass, and Ragan

Potts. A local favorite, known for their special brand of honky tonk country and rock, fans and newcomers can expect a lively, fun show. For more on Bobby D, [click here](#). Guests are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and / or blankets as this is an outdoor event.

Jun XXth Living History Weekend - Units To Be Determined Guests are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and / or blankets as this is an outdoor event. **Under Construction - check back later**

Jul 4 – 7: Museum Open for the Full 4th of July Weekend: By popular demand, the museum will extend its normal schedule to cover the full 4th of July weekend.

Jul 5 - 7: [Living History Weekend - Thunder & Mud, A Preservation March](#): Meet living historians as they recreate part of the Army of Northern Virginia's retreat from Gettysburg to the Potomac River, resulting in the Battle of Monterey Pass!

- Marchers will traverse over 8 miles of the historic route from Fairfield to Monterey. They will following the same Old Mariah Furnace Road used by Lee's wagon train, and end on the grounds of the Monterey Pass Battlefield Museum.
- Marchers will portray the 1st North Carolina Sharpshooter Battalion as they act as rear guard to protect the Army of Northern Virginia's vulnerable supply train headed toward South Mountain and the safety of the Old Dominion. Other living historians and interpreters will be present throughout the weekend at the Museum grounds, with displays representing the pursuing Federal forces, civilians, and other elements of the Civil War era in the region.
 - Interactive interpreters will be present on the grounds of the Museum to greet visitors from 9AM to 5PM on Saturday and 9AM to 2PM on Sunday.
 - March participants will be arriving on the grounds sometime between 12:00PM and 1:00PM depending on march conditions.
- All living history participants will follow strict uniform guidelines to accurately portray the men of the 1st North Carolina Sharpshooter Battalion, will be issued food rations appropriate for the retreat from Gettysburg, and will use only equipment available during this period as documented from historical resources.
- This event is supported by partnering organization Civil War Historical Impressions and co-coordinated by Ashley Sonntag-Bottomley and Timothy Smith. For event questions and inquiries, please email AshleySonntag@gmail.com.

Jul 20: Blue Ridge Summit (BRS) Library Iced Cream Social and Book Sale (9am – 2pm) – at the BRS library. The Iced Cream Social is a 47 Year tradition of the BRS library, raising funds for the Building Board. It includes a book sale, food, vendors music and children's games. The Friends of Monterey Pass are proud to lend support. For more on this event, email brsmtnboard@gmail.com.

Jul 28: One day only, [Resident Battlefield Guide](#) **John Galie Walking Tours in the Park.** A thoroughly enjoyable and easy walk along the trails and roads used by retreating Confederate and pursuing Union forces. (Sunday only – 11am)

Jul 31: [4 Seasons Photo Contest](#) submission deadline for 2022 - 2023: see details [here](#); also August 1st is the start date for the 4th Annual Contest for 2023 - 2024.

Jul XXth (1 - 4 pm) Music in the Park - Band, food and beverages to be determined.
Guests are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and / or blankets as this is an outdoor event. **Under Construction - check back later**

Aug 10: Civil War Relics Day (10 am – 4 pm): For all collectors, an open invitation to share your artifacts and relics of the Civil War with friends and neighbors at the Museum.

Aug 10: Announce the winner of our 4th Annual Photo Contest at the Museum (12 noon)

Aug 17: History, Mystery, & Haunts of the Monterey Pass Battlefield (7 - 10pm): Join Pam Barry of "Historic Haunts of Waynesboro" as they investigate the retreat end of The Battle of Gettysburg. Monterey Pass Battlefield is a "Hidden Gem" less than 20 miles from Gettysburg. Respectfully walk these hallowed grounds with and investigate through history. Professional tour by Pam. Sign up by calling 717-521-7465 or email pambarry@yahoo.com. \$60 per person.

Aug 18: One day only, **Resident Battlefield Guide John Galie Walking Tours in the Park.** A thoroughly enjoyable and easy walk along the trails and roads used by retreating Confederate and pursuing Union forces. (Sunday only – 11am)

Aug 31, 1 – 4 pm: Music in the Park – FrankCo Penn – The BrewGrass Chronicle says "FrankCo Penn is short for Franklin County, Pennsylvania. It's . . . the geo-center for the band, all of whom live in the county or a short dash away. . . . It's a bunch of the region's top pickers, guys who play in other bands, getting together socially, just them, their instruments, and perhaps some refreshments. Or at least it was until a few months ago when they played out together for the first time." Come see for yourself. For more on FrankCo Penn, [click here](#). Guests are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and / or blankets as this is an outdoor event. **Date and band is correct. Food, Beverages and Inclement weather date to be determined**

Aug XXth Living History Weekend - Guests are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and / or blankets as this is an outdoor event. **Under Construction - check back later**

Sep 14 – 15: Living History Weekend at the Battlefield Park – Join us for Artillery and Infantry demonstrations by the 2nd Maryland Artillery (Baltimore Light Artillery) and the 110th Pennsylvania Co H. Also featuring "Civil War Historical Impressions" Doug Decker portraying Fed Surgeon Dr Brinton who will discuss field medicine. All strive to re-create the best impressions of Civil War life possible based on research and documentation. In addition, learn about Civil War uniforms and paint a soldier you can keep. Supplies limited, so please register in advance with John Welker at johnwelker117@gmail.com. The schedule includes:

Infantry Reenactments:

Daily 9:30am & 1pm

Artillery Demos:

Daily: 10am & 1:30pm

Medical Displays: Daily

Camp Life Open to Visit:

Sat 9:30am – 5pm

Sun 9:30am – 2pm
Bring the Past to Life with Paint:
Sat at Noon

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Nov 10: **[Last day the Museum is open for 2024 Season](#) (10am - 4pm)**

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For more information about this and other summer programs, contact us at:	
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14325 Buchanan Trail East	Facebook: <u>facebook.com/montereypass</u>
Waynesboro PA	Email: <u>montereypassbattlefield@gmail.com</u>
(just West of Blue Ridge Summit)	Instagram: <u>http://instagram.com/monterey_pass/</u>