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Don't forget to join us for the
"Gathering in the Gap"
Music Festival in May

**The Southwest Virginia Museum Historical State Park
Opens to the Public
Thursday, March 1st**

Regular admission fees apply. Please see "Hours and Admission" page in the calendar for more details.

**First Saturday Community Coffeehouse
Saturday, March 3rd from 7pm to 9pm**

The First Saturday Community Coffee House is an open-mic event and is open to all family-friendly performers. All interested musicians, storytellers, and poets should arrive by 6:30pm for sign-up and scheduling. *Admission is free to this program. Refreshments will be available for purchase.*

**St. Patrick's Day Bash at the Southwest Virginia Museum
Saturday, March 17th from 6pm to 8pm**

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day at the Southwest Virginia Museum with holiday-themed foods, adult beverages, and a special performance by "Fire in the Kitchen." **Fee: \$25.00 per person; includes heavy hors d'oeuvres, choice of alcoholic or non-alcoholic beverages, and show. Alcoholic beverages are subject to all Virginia ABC laws and regulations. Drink Responsibly. All ages welcome; children must be accompanied by an adult. Event is limited to 40 participants. Registration and payment deadline is Friday, March 2nd.**

**15th Annual Quilt Show
April 1st through May 31st**

Quilting has long been a mainstay of Appalachian culture and heritage. Quilts from the Museum's collection and from the private collections of area residents will be on display throughout the Museum, offering an endless array of styles, patterns, and history. *Regular admission rates apply; guided tours for groups are available.*

**"EGG-stra" Special Easter Tea
Saturday, April 7th from 2-4pm**

Join the Easter bunny for an Easter Tea and an "Egg-stravaganza." In addition to a delightfully themed tea, there will be a craft, and you will get your personal photo taken with the Easter Bunny. *Cost: \$15.00 fee covers an adult and one child. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Additional children from the same family are \$5.00 each. Registration and payment deadline is March 30th.*

**"College Night" Coffeehouse
Saturday, April 7th from 7-9pm**

This special edition of the First Saturday Community Coffee House celebrates our region's young musicians, but as always, folks of all ages are encouraged to attend and perform at this open-mic event for family-friendly performers. All interested musicians, storytellers, and poets should arrive by 6:30pm for sign-up and scheduling. *Admission is free to this program. Refreshments will be available for purchase.*

**Friends of the Museum: Celebration of Spring
Earth Day, April 21st from 9-2pm**

Celebrate Spring with a day of programs and special events sure to appeal to your green thumb, including an annual plant sale, rain barrel workshop, building a rock pond, and a DIY stackable hydroponic garden. Local growers and plant enthusiasts are invited to participate in the day's events. *Fees TBA for the rain barrel workshop and the DIY hydroponic garden.*

**Adventures in History:
Wandering the Wilderness Bus Tour
Wednesday, April 25th from 8am-6:30pm**

Join us for this day-long excursion throughout Southwest Virginia. We'll travel from the Anderson Blockhouse to Cumberland Gap, stopping at important locations along the Wilderness Road. Dr. Lawrence Fleenor, Jr. will be our guide. Dr. Fleenor is the author of several books on Southwest Virginia history. Dr. Fleenor also serves as the Historian for the Daniel Boone Wilderness Trail Association. *The price per person is \$20. Participants may bring their own lunch or purchase a boxed lunch from the Museum for \$5. Seating is limited to 14. Reservation and payment deadline is Tuesday, April 10th.*

**Napoleon Hill Foundation Book Signing
Time TBA on Saturday, April 28th**

Visit the Museum for a special release event and book signing with regional author Amy Clark and special guests. Amy's new book, *Success in Hill Country*, is being published by the Napoleon Hill Foundation and is set to hit the shelves in March.