



Friends of Sterling Forest Schedule of Events June 2017



THE FRIENDS OF STERLING FOREST (F.S.F.) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization established to protect and preserve the great legacy of natural resources and historical treasures within Sterling Forest State Park. Our events are open to the public and free of charge; donations, however, are gratefully accepted to assist us in fulfilling our mission.

All events will originate at the Lautenberg Visitor Center unless otherwise noted.

Hike: Hutchinson Multi-Use Trail **Sunday, June 4** **1 PM**
Join Sona Mason, New York West Hudson Program Coordinator for the New York-New Jersey Trail Conference, and members of the F.S.F. for a moderately-paced 3+ mile hike on Sterling Forest's newest trail. We will leave cars at each end of the trail, so please be prepared to carpool with other hikers. Wear sturdy shoes or hiking boots and bring water and a snack.

Meet 'n' Greet **Sunday, June 11** **12 NOON**
Come to the F.S.F. monthly meeting at Visitor Center and make some new friends. Find out what you can do to help protect and preserve your Park. Bring your lunch! We'll provide coffee/tea and cookies.

Lecture: Living with Black Bears **Sunday, June 11** **1 PM**
Black Bears live here! This is their domain and we are the visitors. How do we co-exist? How do we avoid a confrontation? Join Doc Bayne for a fascinating look at these magnificent animals.

Lecture: The Chain That Saved the Colonies **Sunday, June 18** **1 PM**
Did you know a "Great Chain" was placed across the Hudson River to prevent the British from sailing upriver during the American Revolution and that the links for that chain were manufactured right here in Sterling Forest? Join Doc Bayne, local historian and Great Chain authority for an eye-opening presentation on *The Chain that Saved the Colonies*.

Hike: Sterling Forge Site **Sunday, June 25** **1 PM**
As a follow-up to last week's presentation on *The Chain That Saved the Colonies*, Doc will lead an approximately 4 mile out-and-back moderately-paced hike to the site of the forge where the links of the chain were made. Please bring water and wear hiking boots or sturdy shoes as you will be bushwhacking over rocky terrain at the site.

*Registration is required for all programs.
For more information or to register, call 845-351-5907.*