

## Seeds for the Future

by Don Horn, Chair on June 29, 2025

Summer has been sweltering so please stay cool and hydrated.

The Gun Range reopens on July 7, 2025.

Upon the request of many supporters and members, we are holding a **Summer Online Merchandise Sale**. Our partners at **Creative Engraving and Apparel** in Shippensburg will host the sale on their website beginning on July 7 and ending on July 18 with a due date of August 1, 2025. While you're kicked back with your feet up enjoying a cool drink, take a browse. Here is the <u>sale link</u>.

The August member's event and meeting will be held on **Saturday August 9, 2025**, due to the availability of an adequate venue. A **Summer Picnic and meeting** will be held **from 1 to 5 pm at the Mont Alto State Park Dance Pavilion**. Hot Dogs, Burgers and a Vegetarian Option along with non alcoholic beverages will be provided. We ask attendees to help supply some side dishes and desserts. Please use the <u>RSVP Form</u> to reply and be counted by August 1, 2025 so we have a good idea of the number of attendees. Besides food, our agenda will include a Birding Experience in the Meeting of the Pines led by Jen Henry at 2 pm and a presentation from Forester Mike Wright explaining some post fire opportunities at 3 pm.

**Penn Township Volunteer Fire Company** has asked the Friends of Michaux State Forest to bring our trailer and set up a booth at the Huntsdale Fair this year. The fair is Thursday July 31, Friday August 1 and Saturday August 2. If you would like to help out for an hour or so please sign up on the <u>Huntsdale Fair Volunteer form</u>.

The Michaux Sawyer Team continues to open trails blocked by downed trees. If you find downed trees and damaged trails please notify the forestry office at 717-352-2211 or <a href="michauxstateforest@gmail.com">michauxstateforest@gmail.com</a>

For those who wish to increase their knowledge of trails, building and stewardship. The American Trails Association offers free weekly webinars and discussions on issues facing our trails. Check them out. They are a fantastic resource. <a href="Merican Trails Association">American Trails Association</a>

## **September Events in the Michaux State Forest**

2025 Michaux Enduro Event hosted by ECEA Series

**2025 Michaux Enduro** Sunday September 7, 2025

Meatball Runners Races 50 k, 20 miler, or ½ marathon starts from Pine Grove State Park

Mountain Creek Mayhem Sunday September 21, 2025 pre race meeting 7:45 am

Franklin County Cyclist Michaux Gravel races start from Caledonia State Park

100 miler start 6:30 am, 65 miler start 8:30 am, 45 miler start 9:30 am, 15 miler start 10 am

Michaux Gravel Race Saturday September 27, 2025

## Questions?

We are looking for suggestions of Activities or Events for 2026. Please email <a href="mailto:friendsofmichauxstateforest@gmail.com">friendsofmichauxstateforest@gmail.com</a> with suggestions.

We are gathering bios of candidates for the Board of Directors. Please email your bio if interested to <a href="mailto:friendsofmichauxstateforest@gmail.com">friendsofmichauxstateforest@gmail.com</a>. We would like to add an additional board member from the motorsports sector of users within the Michaux State Forest as well. If you have questions please see Don Horn at the picnic or contact him at the above email address.