



Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation

2014-2015 Annual Report



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**On the cover: A bear inspects a remote
wildlife camera after a dip in a pond.
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In Memory

This year, we said goodbye to Joe Wilson, an advocate for mountain music and one of the visionaries behind the Blue Ridge Music Center. From his brainstorming sessions with Gary Everhardt to create the Music Center to his influential work with the National Council for the Traditional Arts, Wilson's passion for the music of the Blue Ridge Mountains was immeasurable. Wilson was also instrumental in the development of The Blue



Ridge Music Trails and The Crooked Road: Virginia's Heritage Music Trails. He wrote *A Guide to the Crooked Road: Virginia's Heritage Music Trail*, dedicating the book to "the musicians of southwestern Virginia, present and past, in honor of their joyful keeping of a portion of America's musical tradition and their unfailing hospitality and generosity. Among the lessons they teach is that an art form that is freely given and always shared can be kept forever."

GREETINGS

We've enjoyed many successes on the Blue Ridge Parkway and have much to look forward to in 2016, the year of the National Park Service's centennial anniversary. The Parkway measures success in many ways—reopening once closed facilities, the dedication of staff, the protection of threatened species, the rehabilitation of historic structures, and safe and memorable experiences for visitors. The Parkway's ability to enjoy success in so many areas is thanks in large part to the increasingly important role private-public partnerships play in the operation of this large and complex park.

The Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation, the Parkway's primary philanthropic partner, stepped up in 2015 to provide an unprecedented level of support, and we are so grateful. The commitment and leadership demonstrated by the Foundation's staff, Board of Trustees, and Community of Stewards played a tremendous role in many Parkway accomplishments. Important needs were prioritized and more than \$600,000 was directed to a variety of initiatives.

Then we received game-changing news. National parks across the country had the opportunity to compete for specifically appropriated Centennial Challenge funding; the condition though was that every dollar from Congress had to be matched by private funds. Given an exceptionally quick turnaround time, the Foundation's leadership and its Community of Stewards rallied to meet the opportunity. As a result, five critical deferred maintenance projects across the Parkway were funded at a total cost of \$710,035, with more than half of those funds coming from the Foundation.

The centennial anniversary will be an opportunity for many to recommit to the exemplary stewardship and public enjoyment of America's special places. On the Blue Ridge Parkway, our tradition is strong and growing stronger thanks to the Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation.

Mark H. Woods
Superintendent, Blue Ridge Parkway



Blue Ridge Parkway Superintendent
Mark H. Woods and CEO Carolyn Ward

It is amazing to think that each year, the Blue Ridge Parkway welcomes more visitors than Yellowstone, the Grand Canyon, and Yosemite National Parks combined. Millions come here for the rich experiences only the Parkway can provide. Among those millions are people like you who care so deeply for this incredible place they act to protect it today and for future generations: you are our Community of Stewards.

Thanks to your support, we experienced a year of milestones. Through the Centennial Challenge, a matching fund program in honor of the National Park Service's 2016 anniversary, the Foundation had a \$1.2 million impact on critical projects on the Parkway. From Peaks of Otter to Mount Pisgah, campsites and trails are being repaired, historic structures saved, and natural resources protected. The Foundation earned the Tourism Excellence Award from the N.C. Travel Industry Association. Our Kids in Parks program grew to 130 trails and garnered the 2015 Partnership Award for Outstanding Public Engagement by the Association of Partners for Public Lands. The Blue Ridge Music Center branched out with its first traveling winter shows and hosted a record-breaking Summer Concert Season at the amphitheater.

Much of our work focused on caring for natural resources and engaging a new generation of stewards. Budding conservationists tackled hemlock saving efforts and trail restoration, and we funded wildlife forensics training to help rangers protect animals and rare plants, among other projects.

Reflecting on the year compels us to look forward. In 2016, our work will include long-awaited revitalization at Moses H. Cone Memorial Park and the Bluffs facilities at Doughton Park. We can't wait to get started, and we are so thankful to have your support.

Dr. Carolyn Widner Ward
Chief Executive Officer,
Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation



STEWARDSHIP in Action

Rock Castle Gorge Bio-blitz

This fall, scientists and volunteers gathered at Rock Castle Gorge for a bio-blitz, a 24-hour survey of the diverse flora and fauna in this significant biological area. With a focus on endangered and threatened species, the participants, including a group of high school students, scoured the woods to locate and document as many plants, insects, and animals as they could find. The result is a clearer picture of the environmental significance and needs of this intriguing area.



Bog Turtle Tracking

As the Parkway looks to restore degraded wetlands, it is important that resource managers understand the creatures that will call these areas home, including



Biologists and volunteers fanned out in the woods at Rock Castle Gorge to document the plants and animals that inhabit the biodiverse area. Left, a red-spotted newt found during the bio-blitz

the often-elusive bog turtle. This summer, transmitters were placed on 13 turtles in the park to track their movements. The insights gleaned from this data will help biologists and managers care for these reptiles and ensure the wetland restoration efforts meet the habitat needs of this threatened species.

Crayfish Survey

The southeastern Appalachian Mountains are one of two major crayfish hot spots in the world, giving scientists an opportunity to study these crustaceans which are indicators of water quality. During the summer, students from Appalachian State University took to streams along

the Parkway in North Carolina to survey crayfish populations. The count and list of species will help resource managers determine threats to the environment.

Wildlife Forensics Training

Rangers are tasked with not just the safety of Parkway visitors, but also the protection of resources that make the park so special, including plants and animals. To combat poaching and natural resource theft, the Foundation funded forensic wildlife training for Parkway staff. Twenty three rangers, three biologists, and three Virginia wildlife officers learned techniques in forensic entomology, field ballistics analysis, GPS mapping for evidence, and writing affidavits to increase successful prosecutions. By bringing instructors to the Parkway to share their knowledge, more rangers were able to participate and learn. "It makes a huge difference in our ability to help each other apply the skills," explained Chief Law Enforcement Ranger Neal Labrie. "Now we can function as a team."

Protecting Wildlife & Natural Resources

Wildlife Cameras

Since the Foundation's initial funding of 15 remote wildlife cameras in 2009, the devices have captured more than 25,000 images of more than 35 species of wildlife, including black bears, bobcats, coyotes, red and gray foxes, elk, European wild hogs, and white-tail deer. This year, the Foundation provided 30 cameras to replace aging units and add observation locations. The photographs help resource managers understand the behavior and abundance of wildlife and will be used in interpretive programs and exhibits.



Two bucks prepare to go head to head.



A coyote roams the woods at night.



The elusive bobcat travels under the cover of night.



A mother bear keeps watch on her two cubs.

STEWARDSHIP in Action

Inspiring the next generation of stewards is vital to the future of the Blue Ridge Parkway and all parks. The Foundation helped provide opportunities for young people to make a difference on the Parkway and gain hands-on experience caring for natural resources.

Hemlock Treatment

This spring, a crew with the American Conservation Experience (ACE) searched the forests along the Blue Ridge Parkway on a mission to save hemlock trees. Using GPS coordinates, the members pushed through thick rhododendron and briars and worked to keep their footing on steep slopes to locate and treat the evergreens against the hemlock woolly adelgid. The project was a success with crew members treating 2,588 trees on the Parkway!

High Country Restoration

Trails and parks in the High Country of North Carolina saw major repairs this summer thanks to a group of teens with



ACE leader Neal Watson measures a hemlock tree before treating it against the hemlock woolly adelgid.

the North Carolina Youth Conservation Corps (NCYCC). The students spent six weeks camping and working on projects ranging from trail maintenance to fence building. At Rough Ridge Trail, they constructed a new set of stairs for hikers. At Sim's Pond and Julian Price Memorial Park picnic area, they built split rail fences. And Green Knob Trail is in great shape thanks to new steps and nearly two and a half miles of cleanup. The NCYCC is a program of the Conservation Trust of North Carolina, and the crew was funded by the conservation group and the Foundation.



PHOTOGRAPH COURTESY OF CTNC

The Foundation helped fund a youth crew with the Conservation Trust of North Carolina to work on the Parkway, including Rough Ridge Trail.

Youth Engagement

Blue Ridge Music Center

In 2015, the Blue Ridge Music Center explored even more avenues to showcase the bluegrass, old-time, gospel, and country blues music indigenous to the Blue Ridge Mountains, including a traveling winter concert series, film screenings, workshops, and a banjo exhibit.

While the Music Center was closed for the winter, the music played on with the Across the Blue Ridge: Old Sounds, New Trails concert series emceed by Paul Brown and his Piedmont Pals and supported by the North Carolina Arts Council and 88.5 WFDD. The shows brought talented performers to Greensboro, Winston-Salem, Mount Airy, and West Jefferson, North Carolina.

The next generation of mountain music-makers kicked off the Summer Concert Series with Junior Appalachian Musicians & Family Day. And each afternoon, the dedicated Midday Mountain Music players, who were named the 2014 Blue Ridge Parkway Volunteers of the Year, performed for crowds on the

breezeway—sharing songs, stories, and even dance steps.

The amphitheater hosted up-and-coming bluegrass and Americana groups, Grammy winners, National Heritage Award winners, and beloved regional musicians. There were lots of memorable moments, including a much anticipated leap from Nicky Sanders of the Steep Canyon Rangers. The fiddler took a spill at last year's show but stuck his landing this year, jumping off the stage to join the crowd. More than 6,000 music lovers attended the Summer Concert Series.

For four weeks, the Luthier Shop became an exhibition space for *Banjos: From Africa to the New World*. Almost 3,000 visitors came out to see the traveling exhibit and talk with banjo craftsman Bob Thornburg and his wife, Leilani, who displayed their collection of 23 instruments.

Thanks to volunteers, Parkway staff, and a wonderful diversity of musicians, the Music Center continues to find inspiring ways to carry on the living traditions of mountain music.



PHOTOGRAPH BY MIKE DUNCAN

The Grammy-winning Steep Canyon Rangers performed in August for the National Park Service's centennial kick-off celebration.

Musical Highlights

The Across the Blue Ridge: Old Sounds, New Trails series featured: Alice Gerrard, Laurelyn Dossett, The Slate Mountain Ramblers, Stevie Barr, and The Buckstankle Boys

The Summer Concert Series welcomed: The Jeff Little Trio, The Church Sisters, The Harris

Brothers, Mickey Galyean & Cullen's Bridge, The Mountain Park Old Time Band, Della Mae, The Steel Wheels, The Barefoot Movement, Grammy winners Steep Canyon Rangers and Marty Raybon, National Heritage Award winners Sherman Holmes and Wayne Henderson & more

Rising to the Challenge

The year 2016 will mark a big milestone for the National Park Service: 100 years of caring for and sharing the stories of some of the most incredible places in the world. In preparation for this monumental anniversary, Congress designated \$10 million toward a competitive bidding process called the Centennial Challenge to make improvements in National Parks across the country. In 2015, five Blue Ridge Parkway projects were selected thanks to a commitment from the Foundation and our Community of Stewards to raise \$357,370 to be matched dollar for dollar by the federal government.

This year's projects are underway and the Foundation is looking forward to next year's Centennial Challenge. Though the final projects will be selected in early 2016, we're moving forward with two initiatives that are in the running for matching funds and often top donors' wish lists: restoration and revitalization of Moses H. Cone Memorial Park and the reopening of Bluffs facilities at Doughton Park.



Bluffs at Doughton Park

Each year, the Foundation receives pleas to revitalize Bluffs Lodge, Coffee Shop, and Camp Store, which closed in 2010. Visitors from across the country cherish memories of this nostalgic place. Unfortunately, the structures can't be reopened until mold is removed and substantial repairs are made. It is a large and costly project that will be addressed in phases. The Foundation is committed to raising the funds to bring this beloved gathering place back to life.



Construction of Bluffs Lodge in 1949, the year it opened.

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COURTESY OF NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Doubling Your Impact



Moses H. Cone Memorial Park

Anyone who strolls the loop around Bass Lake, rides horseback or hikes the carriage paths, or explores Flat Top Manor makes a connection with this 3,500-acre estate. The Developed Area Management Plan for the estate is complete, and it is time to begin the restoration process. The Foundation is undertaking a multiyear initiative to raise funds to address crucial repairs and maintenance as well as trail work and landscape restoration for this treasure listed on the National Register of Historic Places.



2015 Centennial Projects

There is still time to give to these Centennial Challenge projects as we strive to meet the goal before the year ends. Each gift will be matched dollar for dollar with federal funds.

Abbott Lake Trail

Milepost 86 - The repaving of the one-mile loop trail is complete! This spot, which welcomes more than 200,000 visitors each year, is the first complete ADA trail on the Parkway.



Abbott Lake Loop Trail

The homestead gives visitors unique insight into Appalachian farm life in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

Polly Woods Ordinary

Milepost 86 - Repairs to this historic lodge and tavern are underway and will ensure the log structure built in the early 1800s remains open to educate visitors about the early European settlers who came to this valley in Virginia.

Price Park Campground & Picnic Area

Milepost 297 - When visitors begin flocking to Price Park in the spring, they'll find new picnic tables, fire grills, and walkways. Work began on the site this fall.

Historic Johnson Farm

Milepost 86 - Work has begun to rehabilitate and stabilize the historic farmhouse, barn, meat house, spring house, and corn crib at this highly visited site.

Mount Pisgah Amphitheater

Milepost 408 - Work to repave and install new bench seats at the amphitheater and upgrade the electrical system will begin in spring 2016.



“...in wildness is the preservation of the world.”
-Henry David Thoreau

KIDS IN PARKS

This summer, a Kids in Parks staff member met a special visitor, a young boy from Australia exploring the Kids in Parks TRACK Trail at the Blue Ridge Parkway Visitor Center in Asheville. The international trekker thanked her for the program and explained that he discovered TRACK Trails during his first visit to the United States. During his second visit a year later, he was seeking out more adventures. This is just one example of how the program is affecting young people from all over the world.

In its sixth year, Kids in Parks achieved many goals. The program celebrated the grand opening of its 130th TRACK Trail and its first bike adventures. These new cycling trails—located at Rocky Knob Bike Park in Boone and Salem Lake Greenway in Winston-Salem, North Carolina—were designed to attract teenagers to outdoor recreation.

As the network of trails has grown, so has the number of Trail TRACKers, who register



A ranger led children on a guided hike during the grand opening of the Black Rock Summit Trail at Shenandoah National Park in Virginia.

their adventures online and earn prizes. In 2015, the program has received more than 2,000 registrations, a number that equates to roughly 65,000 kids hiking more than 60,000 miles on TRACK Trails. Because of the program's success, the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina Foundation (BCBSNC Foundation) awarded Kids in Parks a \$921,000 grant in 2014

to continue the expansion in North Carolina through 2017.

Earlier this year, the Association of Partners for Public Lands honored both the BCBSNC Foundation and Kids in Parks with awards for their work in getting kids and families unplugged, outdoors, and reconnected to nature. The BCBSNC Foundation earned the Corporate Stewardship award

By the Numbers

In six years, **3,000 kids** have registered more than **5,000 adventures** on TRACK Trails. More than **130,000 children** have hiked more than **125,000 miles** (5 trips around the Earth), spent **62,000 hours** outdoors, and burned **18 million calories** on TRACK Trails. Of all the trekkers, **52 percent** were first-time visitors to the park.

for its support of the program, and Kids in Parks was honored with the Partnership Award for Outstanding Public Engagement.

Kids in Parks is primed to continue growth as the program works to place a TRACK Trail in every North Carolina county and develop an app to further encourage children to stay active and healthy while introducing them to the joys of the outdoors.



Connecting Kids to Nature

EVENTS

The Denim King Reception

August 1, 2015

The Foundation launched its multiyear fund-raising initiative for Moses H. Cone Memorial Park in conjunction with Lees-McRae College Summer Theatre's performances of *The Denim King* in Banner Elk, North Carolina. At the reception hosted by Kristen and Janet Cone, guests enjoyed delicious bites and drinks and learned about preservation plans for this estate on the National Register of Historic Places.



Clockwise from above: Gail Mosley, Susan Leonard, Miriam Kimsey, and Cindy Milner; Dianne, Joe, and Kathryn Bastian; the Cone family: Butch, Jennifer, Caesar III, Bettie, Janet, Kristen, and Marty; Ralph Womble and Ashley Edwards; Tiffany Bear, Kim Krege Florio, Ruthie Tutterow, and Sunny Adams; Conrad Bear, Billie Howell, Emily Stallings, and Dominique Aquilino



Blue Ridge High Pass Boogie May 16, 2015

This spring, 75 riders set out for the Blue Ridge High Pass Boogie, the Asheville BMW Riders annual fundraiser for the Foundation.



The ride was a great success, raising \$6,507 to help fund the rehab of Mount Pisgah amphitheater. The club's donation will be doubled to just more than \$13,000 thanks to the Centennial Challenge matching program.



Pisgah Inn Reception

September 2, 2015

The Foundation welcomed more than 100 guests, including Parkway staff, for a reception at Pisgah Inn to share updates on work underway and plans for the future.



Clockwise from top left: Anne Barnes, Gary Stewart, and Monika Mayr; David and Donna Hammett; David Ivey, Addie-Lou and Hobie Cawood, and Thorunn Ivey; Christine and Robert Stewart



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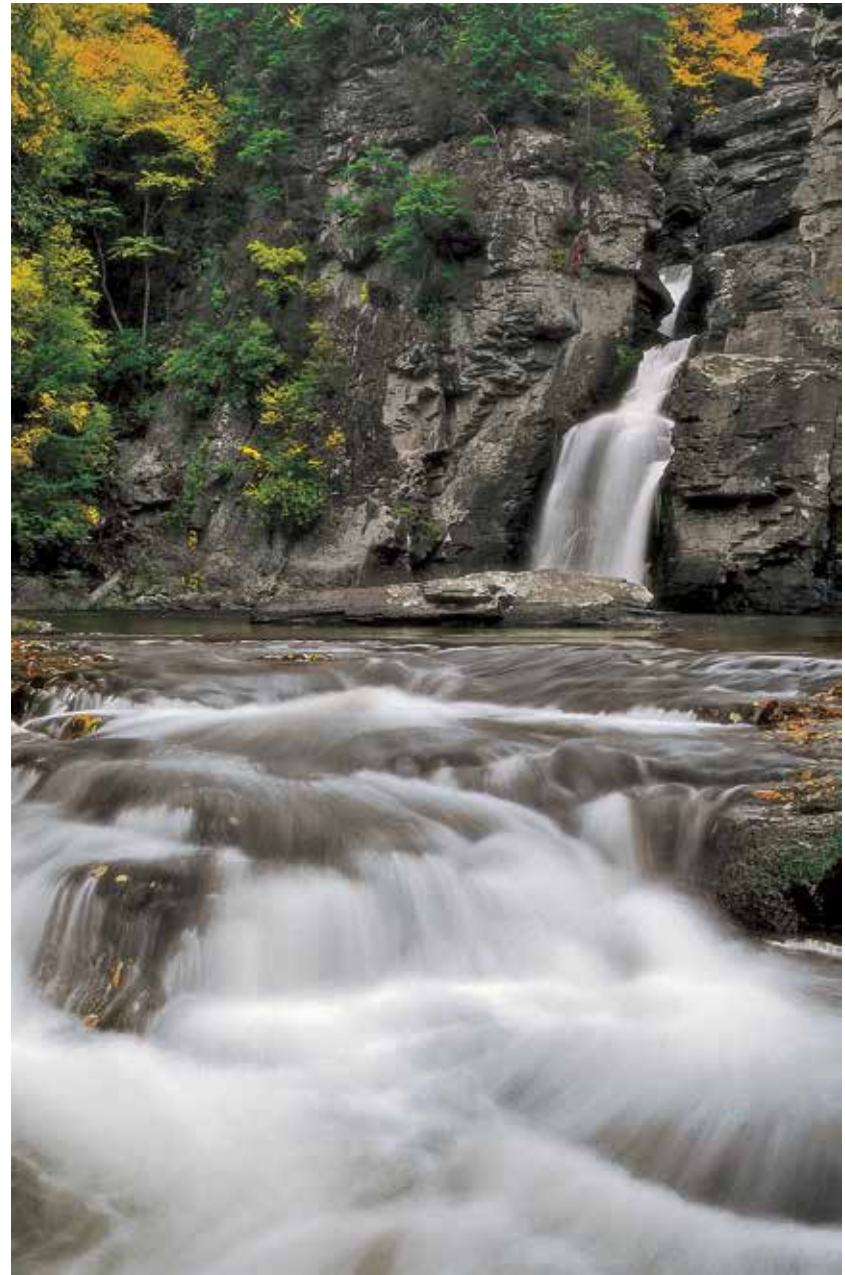
FINANCES

	<i>2014</i>	<i>2013</i>
PUBLIC SUPPORT & REVENUE		
Contributions	\$745,595	\$451,418
Grants	\$1,210,270	\$107,676
In Kind	\$70,973	\$31,438
NC Specialty Plate	\$543,740	\$553,480
Net Gains (Losses) Investments	\$40,708	\$51,365
Endowment Income	\$12,636	\$11,591
Investment Income, net	\$17,920	\$13,246
Other	\$70,186	\$46,841
Total Support & Revenue	\$2,712,028	\$1,267,055
EXPENSES		
Program Services	\$1,227,351	\$1,098,309
General and Administrative	\$140,214	\$119,094
Fund-raising	\$132,974	\$105,861
Total Expenses	\$1,500,539	\$1,323,264
Change in Net Assets	\$1,211,489	\$(56,209)
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	\$1,827,034	\$1,883,243
Net Assets as of End of Year	\$3,038,523	\$1,827,034

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Financial information is derived from the Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation's 2014 financial statements audited by an independent registered public accounting firm, and is available on our 990 and at brpfoundation.org/financials.

Financial Accountability 2014



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GIVING

Whether your interests lie in education, environmental and resource protection, visitor facilities, or cultural heritage, the Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation can match your donation with the appropriate project. Every year, we collaborate with the National Park Service to fund initiatives that strengthen the collection of enriching experiences along the Parkway. Ways to make an impact include committing to a monthly donation, purchasing a Parkway license plate, creating an endowment or fund, and workplace giving. With any choice, your dollars cultivate the programs and projects that reflect your vision for the Parkway.

Annual Giving

Restricted and unrestricted donations received provide support for projects and programs that preserve the past, enhance the present, and safeguard the future of the Blue Ridge Parkway.

Blue Ridge Parkway Specialty Plates

Purchasing a North Carolina Blue Ridge Parkway specialty plate for your vehicle is one way to support the Parkway and proudly display your commitment. From the specialty plate fee, \$20 is dedicated to the Foundation.



Workplace Giving

Employees of businesses that participate in EarthShare's Workplace Giving, the Combined Federal Campaign, and the State Employee Giving Campaign can choose to designate their contributions to the Foundation.



Your gift can help preserve historic structures, including Polly Woods Ordinary at milepost 86 on the Blue Ridge Parkway.

Charitable Bequests & The André Michaux Society

Including language in your will or trust specifying a gift to the Foundation is an easy way to ensure the future of the Blue Ridge Parkway. Individuals who choose to leave a lasting legacy by naming the Foundation in their will or estate plan become members of The André Michaux Society.



Endowments & Funds

Donors may set up or contribute to an endowment or fund for a specified interest. The principal remains intact and the interest earned is available to fund projects in that area, providing a long-term source of support for the Foundation.

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NPS staff at the Peaks of Otter

Dan, Linda, Maggie & Andy Brown

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