High Knob Naturalist Rally Offers Pre-registration

*Sign Up Early For Events and Hikes for our Annual Rally!*

The High Knob Naturalist Rally Committee of The Clinch Coalition is happy to announce that we will be offering the opportunity for members of the community to secure your spots for events and hikes occurring at our High Knob Naturalist Rally on September 25th, 2021.

Due to COVID restrictions and guidelines, several of our hikes will be limited in capacity. As such, we are requesting that those who want to attend certain aspects of the rally pre-register online to conveniently and easily monitor the expected number of people who will be in attendance.

Pre-registration will be available starting August 1st, 2021 at 12pm. It will be found online at our website [www.clinchcoalition.org](http://www.clinchcoalition.org).
The Pileated Woodpecker is one of the biggest, most striking forest birds in Virginia. It's nearly the size of a crow! It is black with striking white stripes down the neck and a flaming-red crest. You can often hear Pileated Woodpeckers whacking at dead trees and fallen logs in search of their main prey, carpenter ants. When they hunt for food, they leave unique rectangular holes in the wood. The nest holes these birds make offer crucial shelter to many species including swifts, owls, ducks, bats, and pine martens.

Fun Fact:
John Adams believed that American independence should be celebrated on July 2, as that's the actual day the Continental Congress voted for independence in 1776.