



# 30<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL UNION/CONFERENCE

TAZEWELL, VIRGINIA

## Day 1 - Fri. 6/26/26

### MORNING: Crab Orchard Museum

Indoor exhibits featuring artifacts and hands-on displays, plus a reconstructed pioneer village showcasing Native heritage and early settler life, honoring Appalachian history

### AFTERNOON: Burke's Garden

A beautiful, mountain-ringed valley known as "God's Thumbprint," offering sweeping views and a peaceful farming landscape shaped by generations of Appalachian life

**EVENING: Your Grate Escape** (*members-only dinner*)



Burke's Garden



**9 AM - 5 AM - THE WAYFARER**  
**386 Main St, Tazewell, VA 24651**

*Will we see  
you there?*

For more info and  
registration:



## Day 2 - Sat. 6/27/26

### GUEST SPEAKERS:

Dewey Chaffin - *Native Plants and Herbal Medicines from Appalachian Folklore*

Judge Beverly Scarlett & Dr. Carter Clinton - *Hillsborough Legacy DNA Project*

Danielle Romero - *Melungeon, Redbone, and Creole Connections (virtual presentation)*

Jorge Rey - *"A Silent Fire" Documentary - Black History in SW Virginia*

Gerald Brazell - *The Lusophone in Atlantic Creole Communities*

Dr. Melissa Carver - *Melungeon Religion and Spirituality over the Years*

Teresa Jewell - *Growing Up in McDowell County, WV and Multicultural Appalachia*