



September 2012 Programs, Workshops, and Special Events

Please note: Payment is required at registration. Only after payment is received will your reservation be final. Stop in or call to register at least one week before the program date. We accept cash, check, Visa, Discover, and MasterCard.

Cancellation Policy: No refunds or credits for cancellations received less than ten days before the program.

Note: Registration is not required for free programs, including Saturday Morning Bird Walks and Sunday Strolls.

Saturdays, September 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29 - Saturday Morning Bird Walk, 7:30 am. For all birders. **Free.**

Saturday, September 1 - Volunteer Work Day, 9 am - 2 pm. Help us maintain our grounds! Wear work clothes, and bring a water bottle. Give us four hours and we'll give you lunch! Rain or shine. Call Jenn at 215 785-1177 x14.

Saturday, September 1 - Intro to Kayaking, 6 - 8 pm. Learn basic paddle strokes and proper boat-handling skills. Then, we will practice on the water!
Fee: \$15 member; \$20 non-member. Register early.

Sunday, September 2 - Sunday Stroll: Insects of Late Summer, 2 pm. The insect population is at its peak, and there is much to be discovered. Join us! **Free.**

Tuesday, September 4 - Meeting of Southern Bucks Garden Club, 7 pm. New members welcome.

Thursdays, September 6, 13, 20, 27 - Yoga, 7:30 pm. This ongoing class is great for all ages and abilities.
Fee: \$8 member; \$10 non-member. Walk-ins welcome.

Saturday, September 8 - Schuylkill River Kayak, 8 am - 3 pm. We will paddle north of Philadelphia, then up the Schuylkill Canal for a 6-mile loop. *Moderate.*
Fee: \$30 member; \$40 non-member. Must pre-register.

Sunday, September 9 - Sunday Stroll: Discovery Walk, 2 - 3 pm. Enjoy a free walk with a naturalist.

Mondays, September 10 & 24 - Meeting of Focal Planes Foto Club, 7:30 pm. New members welcome.

Wednesday, September 12 - Meeting of the Artists of Bristol, 6:30 pm. Join us!

Saturday, September 15 - Kayak the D & R Canal, 8 am - 4 pm. Rated *easy*, we will paddle upstream against a mild current. After lunch, we'll float back to where we started. Must pre-register.
Fee: \$30 member; \$40 non-member.

Saturday, September 15 - Concert in the Woods with the Chuck Schaeffer Band, 7:30 - 9:30 pm. Join us under the stars! (indoors if inclement weather)
Tickets: \$10/person by 5 pm Sept. 14; \$15 pp at the door.

Sunday, September 16 - Sunday Stroll: Fall Migration, 2 - 3 pm. While the natural world does not recognize how one day is considered summer and the next fall, it is VERY aware that the seasons are changing. Birds and insects are leaving in droves. *They* know the seasons are changing! Join us. **Free.**

Monday, September 17 - West Chester University Harp Ensemble rehearsal, 6 pm. Come listen! **Free.**

Saturday, September 22 - Birds of Cape May, 6:30 am - 5 pm. We will meet at 6:30 am at Higbee Beach parking lot in Cape May. The narrow part of the migration funnel, with birds pouring out of the northeast on the way to their winter homes, is right at Cape May, NJ. The variety and challenge can be outstanding! In 2011, we found 118 species! We will stop for dinner (optional). Call for details. Please register by September 20th.
Fee: \$14 member; \$18 non-member.

Saturday, September 22 - Kayak Wissahickon Creek, 8 am - 5 pm. This trip is rated *difficult*, so you must have prior experience. Register and pay by September 19th.
Fee: \$30 member; \$40 non-member.
Have your own kayak? \$20 member; \$30 non-member.

Sunday, September 23 - Sunday Stroll: Discovery Walk, 2 - 3 pm. Enjoy a free walk with a naturalist.

Wednesday, September 26 - Meeting of the Delaware Valley Fly Fishers, 7 pm. Come see what we're about!

Saturday, September 29 - Waterway Cleanup, 9 am - 2 pm. Rain or shine. Help clean your local watershed! Come out to help us remove trash that has accumulated all year. Wear clothes that can get wet and muddy, and bring a refillable water bottle. If you have a kayak or canoe and would like to help on the water, let Jenn know in advance. Give us four hours and we'll give you lunch! Call Jenn at 215 785-1177 if you can help.

Co-sponsored by the International Coastal Cleanup, PA Cleanways, and the Dow Chemical Company.

Sunday, September 30 - Sunday Stroll - Tree ID, 2 - 3 pm. This is a good time to learn the various types of trees found at Silver Lake. Will you be able to identify the trees on your drive home? We hope so. **Free.**

Note: Order your bird seed by 10/3/12 for 10/13/12 pick up!



Silver Lake Green Fest

October 6th, 11 am - 4 pm

Free admission—Free parking—Free concert! Discover the benefits of Going Green!





Silver Lake Nature Center

October 2012 Programs, Workshops, and Special Events

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Monday, October 1 - Full Moon Paddle, 7 - 10 pm.

Rated *easy*, we will kayak to Magnolia Lake and back.

Adults only. Must pre-register.

Fee: \$20 member; \$25 non-member.

Tuesday, October 2 - Meeting of S. Bucks Garden Club, 7 pm. Join us!

Wednesday, October 3 - Bird Seed Order Deadline. Order your seed by today for pickup on Saturday, October 13th. Order online, by phone, or in person.

Thursdays, October 4, 11, 18, & 25 - Yoga, 7:30 pm. This ongoing class is great for all ages and abilities.

Fee: \$8 member; \$10 non-member.

Saturdays, October 6, 13, 20 & 27 - Saturday Morning Bird Walk, 7:30 am. For all birders. **Free.**

Saturday, October 6 - FREE Silver Lake Green Fest, 11 am - 4 pm. See center box, this page. Great fun for the whole family!

Vendors: Demonstrate your environmentally-friendly business! Sign up early!

Note: We need volunteers for the Green Fest. *Must* sign up to help *before* Oct. 6th!. Please call Jenn at 215 785-1177. Thanks!

Saturday, October 6 - Intro to Kayaking, 4 - 6 pm.

Learn basic paddle strokes and proper boat-handling skills. Then, we will practice on the water! Please register early. Fee: \$15 member; \$20 non-member.

Sunday, October 7 - Sunday Stroll: Discovery, 2 pm.

Join us for a leisurely walk along the trails. **Free.**

Mondays, October 8 & 22 - Meeting of Focal Planes Foto Club, 7:30 pm. New members always welcome.

Wednesday, October 10 - Fall Fling, 5:30 - 7 pm. Join us as we celebrate our members while enjoying music and light refreshments. This is the event that everyone is waiting for! Details to follow.

Saturday, October 13 - Pine Barrens Paddle, 8 am - 5 pm.

Enjoy the changing season, and observe the wildlife of this unique area. Rated *difficult* due to maneuvering requirements. Must have prior experience.

Fee: \$30 member; \$40 non-member.

Have your own kayak? \$20 member; \$30 non-member.

Saturday, October 13 - Bird Seed Sale, 10 am - 3 pm.

Order your sunflower seed, Silver Lake mix, conservation mix, thistle, peanut hearts, sunflower chips and suet by October 3rd for pick up today. This is high quality seed that your birds will love!

Sunday, October 14 - Sunday Stroll - Fabulous Fall Foliage, 2 - 3 pm. The fall foliage is nearing its peak in color. What's happening? Join us. **Free.**

Monday, October 15 - Rehearsal of the West Chester University Harp Ensemble, 6 pm. **Free.** Enjoy!

Fridays, October 19, 26 & November 2, 9, 16, & 30 - Naturalist Aide Training, 10 am - noon. If you have a few hours to spend and enjoy

the outdoors and people, this may be for you. Call to register. **Free.**

Saturday, October 20 - Kayak Nockamixon, 7 am - 5 pm.

Enjoy this last paddle of the season, surrounded by the colors of autumn. Rated *moderate* due to weather conditions. Please wear layers. Must pre-register.

Fee: \$30 member; \$40 non-member.

Sunday, October 21 - Sunday Stroll: Discovery Walk, 2 pm. Join us for a fun walk along the trails. **Free.**

Wednesday, October 24 - Delaware Valley Fly Fishers meeting, 7 pm. New members welcome.

Sunday, October 28 - Sunday Stroll: What is so Scary?, 2 - 3 pm. Myths, stories, and Hollywood have done a wonderful job of making people afraid to be outside. Join us as we chase away some of the perceived dangers. **Free.**

Come to the

Silver Lake Green Fest



October 6th
11 am to 4 pm

Spend the day learning how to live lighter on this earth, be healthier, and save money, too! It's enlightening!

- Free concert
- Free live animal show for all
- Fun activities for kids
- Meet with "green" vendors
- Learn about local foods and healthy products
- Refreshments will be sold by the Nature Center

Free Admission - Free Parking
Rain or Shine!



The WEB/Earthship is almost here! Look for news of the Grand Opening. We hope to see you there!



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November 2012 Programs, Workshops and Special Events

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Thursdays, November 1, 8, 15, & 29 - Yoga, 7:30 pm. Increase flexibility, strengthen and tone the body, reduce stress, relax, and unwind. This ongoing class is great for all ages and abilities.

Try it! Fee: \$8 member; \$10 non-member.



Saturday, November 3, 10, 17, & 24 - Saturday Morning Bird Walk, 7:30 am. For all birders. Bring binoculars if you have them. **Free.**

Saturday, November 3 - Volunteer Work Day, 9 am - 2 pm. Help us maintain our grounds!



Wear clothes you don't mind getting wet and dirty, and bring a water bottle to refill. Rain or shine. Give us four hours and we'll give you lunch! Please call Jenn at 215 785-1177 x14 if you can help.

Sunday, November 4 - Sunday Stroll: Discovery Walk, 2 - 3 pm. Join a naturalist for a free walk.



Tuesday, November 6 - Meeting of S. Bucks Garden Club, 7 pm. Join us!

Wednesday, November 7- PA Master Naturalist Core Training. Silver Lake Nature Center, in partnership with the Pennsylvania Institute for Conservation Education (PICE), is hosting this training from November 2012 to February 2013. For more info, contact http://www.piceweb.org/p_PAmasternaturalist.html or call Bob Mercer at 215 785-1177.



Sunday, November 11 - Sunday Stroll: Seasonal Changes, 2 - 3 pm. The fall season

is one of rapid and significant change. We will explore the reasons and the results, and identify the winners and the losers in the game of life. **Free.**

Monday, November 12 & 26 - Focal Planes Photo Club meeting, 7:30 pm. New members welcome.

Saturday, November 17 - PA Master Naturalist Core Training. See November 7 for details.

Saturday, November 17 - Birds of Brigantine, 7:30 am - 5 pm. This trip is excellent for beginners, advanced birders and photographers. The loop road provides access to a variety of large and showy birds. Bring a lunch, but also plan on joining us for dinner. Must pre-register. Fee: \$14 member; \$18 non-member.

Sunday, November 18- Sunday Stroll: Discovery Walk, 2 - 3 pm. Join us for a leisurely and informative walk. **Free.**

Monday, November 19 - West Chester University Harp Ensemble rehearsal, 6 pm. **Free.**

Tuesday, November 20 - Bird Seed orders due! Order your seed NOW for pick up on Saturday, December 1st. We offer high-quality seed, including oil sunflower, Silver Lake mix, conservation mix, thistle, sunflower chips, peanut hearts, and suet. We accept Visa, Mastercard, and Discover. Phone orders are welcome. You can drop it off, mail it in, or call us with your order. Or, order online at silverlakenaturecenter.org.



Coming in December...

Winter Solstice Celebration

December 15, 2012

7 - 8:30 pm

Enjoy light refreshments, music by

The West Chester University Harp Ensemble,

a sample of Native American history from our own Clarence King, a candlelit stroll through the woods to a roaring campfire, all in honor of Winter.

Fee: \$10 members; \$15 non-members

Thursday, November 22 - Thanksgiving Day. The Nature Center is closed today. Enjoy your holiday!



Friday, November 23. The Nature Center is closed today. We will open again on Saturday, November 24th.

Sunday, November 25- Sunday Stroll: Discovery Walk, 2 pm. Join us for a fun and informative walk. **Free.**

Tuesday, November 27 - PA Master Naturalist Core Training. See November 7 for details.

Wednesday, November 28 - Meeting of Delaware Valley Fly Fishers, 7 pm. New members welcome.

Note: Order your bird seed by 11/20/12 for 12/1/12 pick up!

Experience the park in autumn! Our building, trails and observation platform are handicapped-accessible.

Symbionts

Clubs that meet at the Nature Center:

Artists of Bristol meet year 'round at 6:30 pm on the 2nd Wednesday each month.
Contact: John 215 595-8295

Delaware Valley Fly Fishers meet at 7 pm on the 4th Wednesday, September through June.
Contact: Wayne 215 280-7198

Focal Planes Foto Club meets at 7:30 pm on the 2nd & 4th Monday, September through June.
Contact: Steve 215 736-1834

Southern Bucks Garden Club meets at 7 pm on the 1st Tuesday, every month but January.
Contact: Ellen 215 788-0651

West Chester University Harp Ensemble rehearses at 6 pm on the 3rd Monday monthly.
Contact: Gloria 215 342-9397

Yoga class meets every Thursday at 7:30 pm, all year 'round.
Contact: Joe or Deb 267 808-1071

On the Horizon

February 2 - Bird Seed Sale
10 am - 3pm

Order your sunflower seed, Silver Lake mix, conservation mix, thistle, sunflower chips, peanut hearts, and suet by Wednesday, January 23rd for pick-up on Saturday, February 2nd.



The Bucks County Department of Parks and Recreation does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its programs, activities, or facilities.

December 2012

Call for details and to register:

December 1 - Volunteer Work Day, 9 am - 2 pm. To help, call Jenn at 215 785 - 1177.

December 1 - Bird Seed Sale, 10 am - 3 pm. Order by Nov. 20th & pick up your seed today.

December 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30 - Sunday Stroll, 2 pm. Take a walk with a naturalist. **Free.**

December 5 & 8 - PA Master Naturalist Training. Call for the training schedule.

December 8 & 9 - Gift Shop Holiday Sale, 10 am - 5 pm. Enjoy 10% off all purchases.

December 8 & 9 - "A Christmas Carol" performances at 2 pm daily & 7 pm Saturday.

December 15 - Christmas Bird Count, 6:30 am - 5 pm. Call Bob Mercer if you can help.

December 15 - Winter Solstice Celebration, 7 - 8:30 pm. Help us welcome the new season!

December 27 - Kids & Nature, 9 am - noon. For six to ten-year-olds. Sign up now!

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1306 Bath Road
Bristol, PA 19007
215 785-1177

Building Hours

Tuesday - Saturday: 10 am - 5 pm
Sunday: noon - 5 pm; closed Monday

Gift Shop

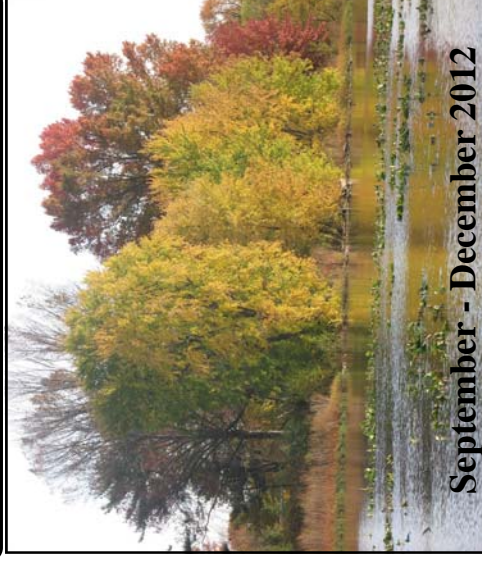
Museum/Display featuring native animals

Bucks County Commissioners
Robert G. Loughery, Chairman
Charles H. Martin
Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia

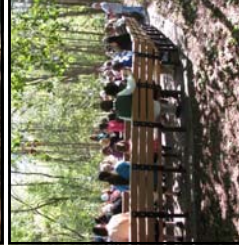


Silver Lake Nature Center

Fall 2012 Program Schedule



September - December 2012



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