



March 2013 Programs, Workshops, and Special Events

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Silver Lake Nature Center

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Saturdays, March 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30 - Saturday Morning Bird Walk, 7:30 – 9 am. For everyone. **Free.**

Wednesday, March 13– Artists of Bristol meeting, 6:30 pm. Come see what we're about!

Saturday, March 2 – Volunteer Work Day, 9 am – 2 pm. Help us maintain our grounds! Wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty, and bring a water bottle. Give us four hours and we'll give you lunch! Rain or shine. Call Jenn at 215 785-1177.

Saturday, March 16 – Annual Fly Fishing Clinic, 10 am – 4 pm. Join us for this all-day workshop, sponsored by the Delaware Valley Fly Fishers. Please call Wayne at 215 280-7198 for details and to register.

Saturday, March 2 - Celtic Concert by Mary Courtney, 7:30 - 9:30 pm. Help us welcome this internationally renowned talent! Concert will be held indoors. Tickets: \$10/person in advance (by 5pm on March 1st) \$15/person at the door

Sunday, March 3 - Sunday Stroll: March Madness, 2 – 3 pm. Get out and stretch those legs and breathe some fresh air. Join us! **Free.**

Tuesday, March 5 - Meeting of Southern Bucks Garden Club, 7 - 9 pm. New members welcome.

Thursdays, March 7, 14, 21, & 28 - Yoga, 7:30 - 9 pm. Stretch, tone, and get flexible. This ongoing class is great for all ages and abilities. Fee per class: \$8 member; \$10 non-member

Saturday, March 9 - Annual Meeting and Volunteer Recognition Brunch, 11 am - 1 pm. Join us for this special event as we recognize our volunteers' hard work and thank everyone for sharing their time, talent and friendship this year. We hope to see you all there! Call Jenn at 215 785-1177 ext. 14 or jlbilger@co.bucks.pa.us. Please RSVP by Friday March 1st.

Sunday, March 10 - Sunday Stroll: Discovery Walk, 2 - 3 pm. Join a naturalist for an informative and leisurely stroll along the trails. Topics are seasonal and audience-driven. **Free.**

Mondays, March 11 & 25 - Meeting of Focal Planes Photo Club, 7:30 pm. New members welcome.

Calling all 6 to 10 year olds...
Kids & Nature
Thursday, March 28th 9 am - noon
 Spend some of your spring break with us!

Join us as we explore the trails, play games, make a craft, and visit with our animals. We will discover Nature, outside and in! Light snacks will be provided.

**Fee: \$10 member SLNC
 \$15 non-member**

Registration and payment are due by March 26th.

To register, contact PattiAnn at 215 785-1177 ext. 12 or PALynn@co.bucks.pa.us



Sunday, March 17 - Sunday Stroll: Last days of Winter, 2 - 3 pm. The spring equinox marks the time when day and night are equal and it's just a couple days away! Change comes quickly as the season progresses. We set the benchmarks today. **Free.**

Monday, March 18 - West Chester University Harp Ensemble's Celtic Music Recital, 6 - 7 pm. Join us for this delightful concert. Tickets: \$5 per person, available at the door.

Wednesday, March 20 - Water Monitoring Workshop, 6:30 - 9:30 pm. SLNC and Stroud Water Research Center present an evening of water monitoring basics. Space is limited. Please call for details and to register. Fee: \$15 per person.

Saturday & Sunday, March 23 & 24 - Wilderness First Aid, 8 am – 5 pm. This two-day class is a valuable for anyone who spends time outdoors. Earn a Wilderness Medicine Society certification. For details, please contact jpshields10@gmail.com or Jim Shields at 215 932-2516.

Sunday, March 24 - Sunday Stroll: Discovery Walk, 2 - 3 pm. Join a naturalist for a stroll along the trails. All ages welcome. **Free.**

Wednesday, March 27 - Delaware Valley Fly Fishers meeting, 7 - 9 pm. New members always welcome.

Thursday, March 28 - Kids & Nature, 9 am - noon. See center box this page.

Sunday, March 31 - Nature Center is Closed. We will reopen on Tuesday, April 2nd. Enjoy your holiday!

Our building, trails, and observation platform are handicapped-accessible. Come and enjoy the park!



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April 2013 Programs, Workshops, and Special Events

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Tuesday, April 2 – Southern Bucks Garden Club meeting, 7 – 9 pm. Join us!

Wednesday, April 3 - Bird Seed Order Deadline. Note: This is the first time that we are having an April sale!
Order your bird seed by today for pick-up on April 13th. We accept cash, check, Visa, Discover, and Mastercard. *(This is the last sale 'til October!)*

Thursdays, April 4, 11, 18, & 25 - Yoga, 7:30 - 9 pm. Join us!
Fee per class: \$8 member; \$10 non-member

Saturdays, April 6, 13, 20, & 27 - Saturday Morning Bird Walk, 7:30 – 9 am. For all birding enthusiasts. Come on out! **Free.**

Saturday, April 6 – 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! Call Jenn at 215 785-1177 if you can help.

Saturday, April 6 - Fine Wine & Fare on the Delaware, 5 - 7 pm. Join us for this special evening! See center box for details.

Sunday, April 7 - Sunday Stroll, 2 - 3 pm. Join our naturalist for an informative stroll. All ages welcome. **Free.**

Mondays, April 8 & 22 - Focal Planes Foto Club meeting, 7:30 - 9 pm. Everyone is welcome.


Wednesday, April 10 – Artists of Bristol on the Delaware meeting, 6:30 - 9 pm. Come and join us.

Saturday, April 13 - Bird Seed Sale, 10 am - 3 pm. Order your seed by April 3rd for pick up today.

Saturday, April 13 - Frog Slog in the Bog, 7 - 8:30 pm. (Frog slogging is offered on April 13th and April 17th.) Meet at the Nature Center for an introduction, then car caravan to the site. Dress for the weather, and to wade in the bog. Space is limited; register early. Must register and pay in advance. Fee: \$7 member; \$10 non-member

Sunday, April 14 - Sunday Stroll: Spring is Greening, 2 pm. The days are longer than the nights, so spring changes will come rapidly. The color green is creeping back into our vistas. This is not an April Fool's joke! **Free.**

Monday, April 15 - West Chester University Harp Ensemble rehearsal, 6 - 7 pm. **Free.** All are welcome.

Wednesday, April 17 - Frog Slog in the Bog, 7 - 8:30 pm. See April 13th for details. 

Saturday, April 20 - Earth Day-Work Day, 9 am - 2 pm. See center box for details. Join the fun!

Saturday, April 20 - Earth Day Concert with Chris Westfall, 7:30 - 9:30 pm. Join us under the stars as we celebrate *Earth Day Every Day* at our outdoor amphitheater! (Held indoors in case of inclement/cold weather.) Tickets: \$10 per person in advance (by 5pm on April 19) \$15 at the door

Sunday, April 21 - Sunday Stroll, 2 - 3 pm. Join a Naturalist for an informative and leisurely stroll along the trails. Topic is seasonal and influenced by audience interest. All ages welcome. **Free.**

Wednesday, April 24 – Meeting of Delaware Valley Fly Fishers, 7 pm. New members welcome!

Saturday, April 27 - Birding Southern NJ, 6:30 am - 5 pm. Carpool from SLNC to several hot spots in search of a wide range of birds. Bring binoculars and a lunch. It is a long day, but we usually find 75+ species. Optional: Dinner at a local restaurant. Please register in advance. Fee: \$15 member; \$19 non-member

Sunday, April 28 - Sunday Stroll: Spring is in the Air, 2 - 3 pm. Spring is such a wonderful season, full of life and growth. **Free.**

*Fine Wine and Fare
On the Delaware
Saturday, April 6, 2013
5 - 7 pm*

Visit the stunning home of Lou and Cissi Quattrocchi, enjoy wines from Bucks County vineyards, and meet new friends.

Cost: \$50 per person
\$90 per couple

**Earth Day Work Day
April 20th 9 am - 2 pm**

Celebrate the Earth by helping to clean her up!!

We will pick up litter and debris that has collected in and around Magnolia and Silver Lakes and the channel in between.

Wear clothes that can get wet and muddy, closed-toe shoes, and bring a water bottle.

If you put in all four hours, we will provide lunch!

Contact Jenn to register: 215 785-1177 x14.





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May 2013 Programs, Workshops, and Special Events

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Thursdays, May 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30 - Yoga, 7:30 - 9 pm.
Great for everyone! Fee: \$8 member; \$10 non-member

Saturdays, May 4, 11, 18, & 25 - Saturday Morning Bird Walk, 7:30 - 9 am. For all enthusiasts. **Free.**

Saturday, May 4 - Volunteer Work Day, 9 am - 2 pm.
Help us maintain our grounds! Wear 'get dirty' clothes, and bring a water bottle. Give us four hours and we'll give you lunch! Call Jenn at 215 785-1177 if you can help.

Sunday, May 5 - Sunday Stroll: Discovery Walk, 2 - 3 pm. Join us for an informative and leisurely stroll along the trails. Everyone is welcome. **Free.**

Tuesday, May 7 - Southern Bucks Garden Club meeting, 7 - 9 pm. Join us!

Wednesday, May 8 - Artists of Bristol on the Delaware meeting, 6:30 - 9 pm. Join us!

Saturday, May 11 - North American Bird Migration Count, 5:30 am - 5:30 pm. We will bird local parks and along the river. Contact Robert Mercer at 215 785-1177 if you can help us with this national bird census.

Wednesday, May 11 - Intro to Kayaking, 6 - 8 pm.
Learn basic paddle strokes and proper boat-handling skills. Then, we will practice on the water! Pre-register. Fee: \$20 member; \$25 non-member

Sunday, May 12 - Sunday Stroll: Migrating Birds, 2 pm. What migrating birds can be found today? **Free.**

Mondays, May 13 & 27 - Focal Planes Foto Club meeting, 7:30 pm. All photo enthusiasts welcome!

Saturday, May 18 - Birding the Gap, 6:30 am - 5 pm.
The Delaware Water Gap attracts many species of birds including hard-to-find warblers. We will meet up there EARLY Saturday morning, so call Bob Mercer at 215 785-1177 for details. Must pre-register. Fee: \$15 member; \$19 non-member

Saturday, May 18 - Kayak Lake Assunpink, 8 am - 3 pm. Join us for the first paddle of the 2013 season! This trip is rated *easy* and is great for beginners and those looking for a leisurely paddle. Lake Assunpink offers a diverse bird population including Herons, Egrets and Hawks. Bald Eagles have even been spotted! All pre-paid registered participants will receive a call with trip details the day prior to the trip. Meet in the parking lot of Silver Lake Park at 8am. Registration and payment due by 5pm on May 15. Fee: \$35 member; \$45 non-member
With your own kayak: \$25 member; \$35 non-member

Sunday, May 19 - Sunday Stroll: Reptiles, 2 - 3 pm. Join a naturalist for a walk in the preserve as we learn about local reptiles and their habitats. **Free.**

Monday, May 20 - West Chester University Harp Ensemble rehearsal, 6 - 7 pm. **Free.**

Wednesday, May 22 - Meeting of the Delaware Valley Fly Fishers, 7 - 9 pm. Join us!

Thursday, May 23 - Full Moon Paddle, 7 - 10 pm. Kayak to Lake Magnolia and back, stopping midway to toast marshmallows. This adults-only paddle is rated *easy*. Register and pay in advance. Fee: \$20 member; \$25 non-member

Saturday, May 25 - Kayak Windward Beach, 8 am - 5 pm. We will explore both the bay and the Metedeconk River. Rated *moderate* due to conditions on the bay and distance for exploring. Meet in the parking lot of Silver Lake Park at 8am. Register and pay by May 22. Fee: \$35 member; \$45 non-member
With your own kayak: \$25 member; \$35 non-member

Sunday, May 26 - Sunday Stroll: Discovery Walk, 2 - 3 pm. Come out on your Memorial Day weekend to enjoy the beauty and bounty of nature. **Free.**

Lots to do
in shade and sun,
Summer Camp
is fun, fun, fun!

Exploration, crafts,
healthy snacks, pond study,
wetlands, woods,
predator & prey game,
and lots more.

Call Jenn for details!
215 785-1177

Sign up for Camp - one week or several! Starts June 24th, full and half days, for preschoolers thru teens!

Symbionts

Clubs that meet at the Nature Center:

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

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

Focal Planes Foto Club meets on the 2nd & 4th Mondays of the month, September through June.
Contact: Steve 215 736-1834

Southern Bucks Garden Club meets on the 1st Tuesday of the month. Contact: Ellen 215 788-0651

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

Yoga class meets on Thursday evenings all year.
Contact: Joe and Deb at 267 808-1071

On the Horizon

Sign the kids up for half-day or full-day
Summer Camp!

Weekly fees—

Full day: \$180 member; \$200 non-member

Half day: \$95 member; \$115 non-member

6 - 12-year-olds, 9 am to noon *or* 9 am to 4 pm
Camp runs for eight weeks, Monday thru Friday,
beginning June 24th.

Before and After Care is available.

4 & 5 year-olds, Preschoolers Camp: 9 am - noon,
July 8 - 12 and/or August 12 - 16

Weekly fee: \$95 member; \$115 non-member

Teen Camp runs for three weeks, noon to 4 pm:

June 24 - 28; July 15 - 19; August 12 - 16

Weekly fee: \$95 member; \$115 non-member

Call Jenn for details: 215 785-1177



June 2013

Call for details and to register -
Saturday, June 1 - Volunteer Work Day,
9 am - 2 pm. Contact Jenn at 215 785-1177.

Saturday, June 1 - Intro to Kayaking,
3 - 5 pm. Learn strokes & techniques.

Sundays, June 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30 - Sunday
Stroll, 2 pm. Something new each week! **Free.**

Thursdays, June 6, 13, 20, & 27 - Yoga,
7:30 pm. For all ages and abilities.

Saturday, June 15 - Kayak Rancocas Creek,
8 am. This is a *moderate* paddle. Join us!

Saturday, June 15 - Flea Market and Craft
Fair, 8 am - 2 pm. Rain or shine. Stop in to
pick your space - first come, first served!

Saturday, June 22 - Kayak the Pine
Barrens, 8 am. This one is rated *difficult*.

Sunday, June 23 - Full Moon Paddle, 7 -
10 pm. Enjoy this *easy* paddle. Adults only.

Monday, June 24 - First day of Summer
Camp! Sign the kids up for fun! Call, stop in,
or check our website for details and to register.

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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 Department of Parks & Recreation

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Spring 2013 Program Schedule



March - June 2013



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