



Silver Lake Nature Center

Spring 2015 Program Schedule



March - June 2015



1306 Bath Road Bristol, PA 19007
215 785-1177

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Building Hours:

Tuesday – Saturday 10 AM– 5 PM
Sunday - noon – 5 PM; closed

Bucks County Department of Parks & Recreation
Bucks County Commissioners
Robert G. Loughery, Chairman
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Diane Ellis-Marseglia, LCSW

June 2015

Thursday, June 2 - Full Moon Paddle, 7 - 10 PM. Enjoy this *easy* paddle. Adults only.

Thursdays, June 4, 11, 18, & 25 – Yoga, 7:30 PM. For all ages and abilities.

Saturday, June 6 – Volunteer Work Day, 9 AM– 2 PM. Contact Jenn at 215-785-1177

Saturday, June 6 - Kayak the D & R Canal, 9 AM. This is a *easy* paddle.

Sundays, June 7, 14, & 21 - Sunday Stroll, 2 PM. Free. Center closed on June 28!

Saturday, June 20 - Flea Market and Craft Fair, 8 AM- 2 PM. Rain or shine. Stop in to pick your space - first come, first served!

Sunday, June 21 - Intro to Kayaking, 6 - 8 PM. Learn strokes & techniques.

Saturday, June 20 - Kayak Tuckerton Creek, 9 AM. This one is rated *moderate*.

Saturday, June 20 - Kayak Assicunk Creek, 9 AM. This one is rated *moderate*. Dinner trip

Symbionts

Clubs that meet at the Nature Center:

Artists of Bristol meet year 'round at 7:00 PM on the 2nd Wednesday of each month.
Contact: John 215-595-8295

Delaware River Fishermen's Association meets on the last Wednesday, September through June. Contact: Scott 215-989-0153

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, Mon. through Fri. June 29 through August 21st. *Before and After Care is available. 6 - 12-year-olds, Summer Camp!*

Weekly fees—

Full day: \$190 member/ \$225 non-member

Half day: \$110 member/ \$130 non-member

9 AM to noon *or* 9 AM to 4 PM

Camp runs for eight weeks, Monday thru Friday, beginning June 29th.

4 & 5 year-olds, Preschoolers Camp: 9 AM- noon, June 29 - July 3; July 20–24 and/or August 17 - 21

Weekly fee: \$110 member/ \$130 non-member member





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March 2015 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: No registration is required for free programs, including Saturday Morning Bird Walks and Sunday Strolls.

Sunday, March 1 - Sunday Stroll: Discovery Walk, 2 - 3 PM. Get out and stretch those legs and breathe some fresh air. Join us! **Free.**

Tuesday, March 3 - Meeting of Southern Bucks Garden Club, 7 - 9 PM. New members welcome.

Thursdays, March 5 through May 14 - Afterschool Nature Camp, 3:30 - 5 PM. Age: 6 through 12 year olds Fee: \$60 members/\$80 non-members (the week of April 2nd we will not have a session) Pre-registration is required Each session we will be exploring the nature preserve while making new friends and memories. See our website for more details!

Saturdays, March 7, 14, 21, & 28 - Saturday Morning Bird Walk, 7:30 - 9 AM. For everyone. **Free.**

Saturday, March 7, 9 AM - 2 PM. Help us maintain our grounds! Give us four hours and we'll give you lunch! Rain or shine.

Thursdays, March 5, 12, 19, & 26 - 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

Mondays, March 9 & 23 - Meeting of Focal Planes Photo Club, 7:30 PM. New members welcome.

Wednesday, March 11 - Artists of Bristol meeting, 7:00 PM. Come see what we're about!

Friday, March 13 - Baby & Me Nature Walk, 10 AM - 12 PM. Parent(s) and/or caregiver(s) spend time with the child(ren) in your life discovering nature and walking on our stroller & carrier accessible trails. Learn how to enhance your child's experience. After the walk, gather for a "bring your own lunch" and experience natural outdoor Kids Play Area. Fee: \$10 members; \$15 non-members for 1 adult and 1 child (\$3 each additional person). Please pre-register.

Saturday, March 14 - Annual Meeting and Volunteer Recognition Brunch, 10 AM - 12 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. Please RSVP by Friday, March 7.

Sunday, March 15 - Sunday Stroll - Last days of Winter, 2 - 3 PM. Change comes quickly as the season progresses. We set the benchmarks today. **Free.**

Monday, March 16 - 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 18 - Naturalist Skills, 6 - 8:30 PM. While exploring the habitats and species in Delhaas Woods we may get lucky and find ourselves a woodcock! This program is for adults (no one under age 16). Registration is required. Fee will be \$6 members; \$8 non-members

FOR THE CHILDREN!

Don't miss our children's activities!

- Afterschool Nature Club every Thursday afternoon starting March 5th
- Baby & Me on March 13 where the important adult in a baby's (up to 3 years old) life can spend quality time outdoors.

FUN FOR GROWNUPS!

Kids don't have all the fun!

- Volunteer Work Day March 7
 - Volunteer Recognition Brunch on March 14
 - Naturalist Skills on March 18
 - Plant Watchers on March 21
- Photo Contest through 3/15**

Saturday, March 21 - Plant Watcher's Walk, 10 AM - 12 PM. PA Master Naturalist, Pat Coleman, will lead a walk looking for "What's Poppin?"

Sunday, March 22 - Sunday Stroll: Discovery Walk, 2 - 3 PM. Join a naturalist for a stroll along the trails. All ages welcome. **Free.**

Wednesday, March 25 - Bird Seed Order Deadline no later than 5 PM.

Order your bird seed by today for pick-up on April 5th. We accept cash, check, Visa, Discover, and Mastercard. (*This is the last sale 'til October!*)

Wednesday, March 25 - Delaware River Fishermen's Meeting, 7 - 9 PM. New members always welcome.

Sunday, March 29 - Sunday Stroll - Discovery Walk, 2 PM - 3 PM. We will let the day dictate the topic based upon what we can find. **Free.**

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



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April 2015 Programs, Workshops, and Special Events

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Thursday, April 2 and/or Friday, April 3 - Kids & Nature, 9 AM - 4 PM. Six to ten-year olds are invited to be Nature Explorers during their spring break, investigating the trails, playing games, and more! Sign up for one or both days! Fee per person per day: \$35 member/ \$40 non-member

Thursdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30 - Yoga, 7:30 - 9 PM. Join us!
Fee per class: \$8 member/ \$10 non-member

Saturdays, April 4, 11, 18, & 25 - Saturday Morning Bird Walk, 7:30 - 9 AM. For all birding enthusiasts. Come on out! **Free.**

Saturday, April 4 - Plant Watcher's Walk, 10 AM - 12 PM. PA Master Naturalist, Pat Coleman, will lead a walk looking for "What's Poppin?"

Sunday, April 5 - Easter - Building Closed.

Tuesday, April 7 - Southern Bucks Garden Club meeting, 7 - 9 PM. Join us!

Mondays, April 7 & 21 - Focal Planes Foto Club meeting, 7:30 - 9 PM. Everyone is welcome.

Wednesday, April 8 - Artists of Bristol on the Delaware meeting, 7:00 PM. All are welcome.

Friday, April 10 - Baby & Me Nature Walk, 10 - 12 PM. Spend time with the child(ren) in your life discovering nature. Learn how to enhance your child's experience. More details on our website. Fee: \$10 members/\$15 non-members for 1 adult and 1 child (\$3 each additional person). Please pre-register.

Saturday, April 11 - Recycle Craft Class, 10:00 - 11:30 AM. Crafter Extraordinaire, Theresa Vassallo, will lead this fun class!! Learn to create all kinds of neat things from items you would have thrown out! Please pre-register. Fee: \$5 member/ \$6 non-members.

Saturday, April 11 - Earth Day-Work Day, 9 AM- 2 PM. See center box for details. Join the fun!

Sunday, April 12 - 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. **Free.**

Wednesday, April 15 - Frog Slog in the Bog, 7 - 8:30 PM. Join Naturalists from the Nature Center for the Annual Frog Slog in the Bog! Participants will meet at the Nature Center for a brief presentation, then car caravan to the site. Advance pre-payment is required. Space is limited to 20 people, so register early. Fee: \$8 member/ \$10 non-member.

Sunday, April 19 - Sunday Naturalist Program - Forest Ephemerals, 2 - 3:30 PM. Join a Naturalist for a slightly longer program as we search for plants that take advantage of a sunny Spring Forest. Fee \$6.

Monday, April 20 - West Chester University Harp Ensemble rehearsal, 6 - 7 PM. **Free.** All are welcome.

Wednesday, April 22 - Naturalist Skills, 6 - 8 PM We will go into Delhaas Woods. It is a good time to listen to frogs and toads. No one under 16. Registration is required. Fee: \$6 member/ \$8 non-members



Saturday, April 25 - Fine Spirits & Fare on the Delaware, 5 - 7 PM. Join us for this special evening! See center box for details.

Sunday, April 26 - Sunday Stroll: Spring is Flowers, 2 - 3 PM. Search for the spring ephemerals. **Free.**



Wednesday, April 29 - Meeting of Delaware Valley Fishermen, 7 PM. New members welcome!

***Fine Spirits
and Fare
On the Delaware***
**Saturday, April 25, 2015
5 - 7 PM**

Visit the stunning home of Lou and Cissi Quattrocchi, enjoy spirits from Bucks County, food from Bristol Restaurants, and meet new friends.

Cost: \$55 per person \$100 per couple





**Earth Day Work Day
April 11th 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, with closed-toe shoes. Dow Chemical is sponsoring water bottles and lunch.

If you put in all four hours, we will provide lunch!
Contact Jenn to register: 215 785-1177 x14.



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May 2015 Programs, Workshops, and Special Events

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Thursdays, May 7, 14, 21, & 28 - Yoga, 7:30 - 9 PM.
Great for everyone! Fee: \$8 member/ \$10 non-member

Saturdays, May 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 - Saturday Morning Bird Walk, 7:30 - 9 am. For all enthusiasts. **Free.**

Saturday, May 2 - Volunteer Work Day, 9 AM - 2 PM.
Help us maintain our grounds! Give us four hours and we'll give you lunch! Call Jenn if you can help.

Tuesday, May 3 - 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: \$22 member/ \$27 non-member

Sunday, May 3 - Sunday Stroll: Discovery Walk, 2 - 3 PM. A leisurely stroll along the trails. Everyone is welcome. **Free.**

Tuesday, May 5 - Southern Bucks Garden Club meeting, 7 - 9 PM.
Join us!

Saturday, May 9 - 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.

Saturday, May 9 - Kayak Oswego River, NJ Pine Barrens, 9 AM - 3 PM. Join us for the first paddle of the 2015 season! This trip is rated *difficult* and is for experienced paddlers. All pre-paid registrants will receive a call with trip details the day prior to the trip. Registration and payment due by 5PM on May 6. Fee: \$38 member/ \$48 non-member. With your own kayak: \$27 member/ \$37 non-member

Saturday, May 9 - Plant Watchers Walk, 2-3:30 pm.
Join PA Master Naturalist Candidate, Pat Coleman, for a walk focused on seasonal stages of plant growth. **Free.**

Sunday, May 10 - Sunday Stroll: Migrating Birds, 2 PM. What migrating birds can be found today? **Free.**

Sunday, May 10 - Intro to Kayaking Mother's Day Paddle, 2 - 3 pm. Learn basic paddle strokes and proper boat-handling skills. Then, we will practice on the water! Pre-register. Fee: \$22 member/ \$27 non-member

Mondays, May 11 & 25 - Focal Planes Foto Club meeting, 7:30 PM. All photo enthusiasts welcome!

Wednesday, May 13 - Artists of Bristol meeting, 7 - 9 PM. Join us!

Friday, May 15 - Baby & Me Nature Walk, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM. Spend time with the child(ren) in your life discovering nature. More details on our website. Fee: \$10 member/ \$15 non-member for 1 adult and 1 child (\$3 each additional person). Please pre-register.

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

Saturday, May 16 - Cape May Birding, 6:30 AM-5:00 PM There are always birds in Cape May. Fee: \$15 members \$19 non-members

Sunday, May 17 - Sunday Stroll: Discovery Walk, 2:00 - 3:00 PM. Join a Naturalist on the trails for a free and informative walk. **Free.**

Wednesday, May 20 - Naturalist Skills, 6 - 8 PM Not appropriate for young children (no one under 16). Registration is required. The Fee: \$6 member/ \$8 non-member

Monday, May 18 - West Chester University Harp Ensemble rehearsal, 6 - 7 PM. **Free.**

Saturday, May 16 - Kayak D&R Canal, 9 AM- 4 PM. Rated *Easy*. Register and pay by May 13. Fee: \$38 member/ \$48 non-member. With your own kayak: \$27 member/ \$37 non-member

Sunday, May 24 - Sunday Stroll: Discovery Walk, 2 - 3 PM. **Free.**

Wednesday, May 27 - Meeting of the Delaware River Fisherman's Association. 7 - 9 PM. Join us!

Sunday, May 31 - Sunday Stroll: Discovery Walk, 2 - 3 PM. **Free.**

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