

March 2019 Events at Silver Lake Nature Center

Volunteer Work Day. Saturday, March 2nd, 9am - 2pm. Help us maintain our grounds! Be prepared to get wet and dirty. Bring a refillable water bottle. Give us 4 hours and we'll give you lunch! This event is **Rain or Shine**. *Register by visiting SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, by calling 215-785-1177, or by stopping into the Visitors' Building.*

Saturday Morning Bird Walks. Offered from March through May at 7:30am. FREE. Meet outside of the Visitors' Building, near the parking area.

Celtic Music Concert by Mary Courtney. Saturday, March 2nd, 7:30 - 9:30pm. SLNC is pleased to welcome back internationally renowned singer/musician, Mary Courtney. Concert will be held inside our Visitors' Building - doors open at 7pm. \$12/person in advance; \$15/person at the door. Advance ticket sales end 3/1/19 at 5pm. Prices are the same for all ages. No refunds/exchanges. Proceeds benefit the non-profit Friends of Silver Lake organization. *Please visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, call 215-785-1177, or stop into the Visitors' Building for tickets.*

SLNC Night at Neshaminy Creek Brewing Company. Friday, March 8th, 7 - 9pm. Every month, NCBC shows a FREE film on their 1080p projector, and has proceeds benefit a local charity! On March 8th, they will be showing John Candy & Dan Aykroyd's classic comedy: *THE GREAT OUTDOORS!* Free Event / All Ages. Event will take place at NCBC @ 909 Ray Ave. Croydon, PA 19021. Proceeds benefit the non-profit Friends of Silver Lake Nature Center organization.

NEW this Year!! Look out for the 'SLNC Float' at the Bucks County St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 16th!! Parade will start at Conwell Egan Catholic High School at 10:30am, and will end at Levittown American Baseball Fields on New Falls Road.

Spring Equinox ~ Full Moon Night Hike Campfire. Friday, March 22nd, 6:30 - 8pm. Join us for a special night on the Silver Lake Trails after dark! We'll begin our hike at the Visitors' Building and make our way over to the Earthship to finish with a campfire and marshmallows! Fee per person: \$8/Friends of Silver Lake Member; \$10/Non-member. *Register by visiting SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, by calling 215-785-1177, or by stopping into the Visitors' Building.*

Friends of Silver Lake Nature Center's Annual Meeting & Volunteer Recognition. Saturday, March 23rd, 10am-12pm. Meet the Friends of Silver Lake's new & current Board Members, and honor our awesome Volunteers who work hard all year 'round to keep this Natural Treasure so beautiful! Free to attend, but pre-registration is required. *Please register at SilverLakeNatureCenter.org or by contacting Arden Williams at awilliams@buckscounty.org or 215-785-1177.*

Summer Camp Open Houses ~ Participants will have the opportunity to meet Staff, ask questions, get to know SLNC, and enter to win a FREE week of Summer Camp!

The Summer Camp Open Houses are free to attend, and are scheduled for:

Sunday, March 10th, Noon – 5pm

Saturday, April 6th, 10am – 5pm

Saturday, May 25th, 10am – 5pm

For additional information on Summer Camp, please contact Camp Director, Kassandra Archer at kaarcher@buckscounty.org or at 215-785-1177.

Pond Study and Earthship Lab. Saturday, March 30th, 1 - 2:30pm. Join us to get a closer look at some of the tiny creatures that live right here in Silver Lake! Participants will have the chance to be scientists during this 1.5 hour program that involves using nets to collect critters from the shore. We will then head to our Earthship lab to sort and identify our samples using microscopes! Fee per person: \$2 for Friends of Silver Lake Members; \$3 for Non-members. *Register by visiting SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, by calling 215-785-1177, or by stopping into the Visitors' Building.*

April 2019 Events at Silver Lake Nature Center

Earth Day Work Day. Saturday, April 6th, 9am - 2pm. Help us maintain our grounds & waterways! Be prepared to get wet and dirty. Bring a refillable water bottle. Give us 4 hours and we'll give you lunch! This very special, DOW-Sponsored Event will be held Rain or Shine. So be sure to dress for the weather. *Register by visiting SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, by calling 215-785-1177, or by stopping into the Visitors' Building.*

White House Chef Tour. Saturday, April 13th, 12:30-4:30pm. Back by popular demand!! Chef Guy Mitchell and Chief Petty Officer Woody Raber are returning for an encore performance on Saturday, April 13, 2019, from 12:30 to 4:30pm!! This year's Special Event will be held at the beautiful Falls Manor, located at 4010 New Falls Road, Bristol, PA 19007. Special Rate of \$50/person (until March 25th, then \$55/person)!! Ticket price includes an amazing Show by the Chefs, a Buffet Lunch, and Cash Bar. *Please visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, call 215-785-1177, or stop into the Visitors' Building for tickets.*

Days-off from School Camps ~ Kids & Nature Days. Thursday &/or Friday, April 18th & 19th, 9am - 4pm. Each unique nature session is offered on a weekday that school is closed. Six to thirteen year olds are invited to join us as we explore the Trails, play games, make crafts, visit with our animals, and much more! *Before and after care available. Pre-registration required. For pricing and info, visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org or call 215-785-1177.*

Full Moon Night Hike Campfire. Friday, April 19th, 6:30 - 8pm. Join us for a special night on the Silver Lake Trails after dark! We'll begin our hike at the Visitors' Building and make our way over to the Earthship to finish with a campfire and marshmallows! Fee per person: \$8/Friends of Silver Lake Member; \$10/Non-member. *Register by visiting SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, by calling 215-785-1177, or by stopping into the Visitors' Building.*

FREE - Family Fishing Day. Saturday, April 20th, 10am - 2pm. Activities will include learning about fish identification, fishing equipment, and fishing techniques. This event is sponsored by the Delaware River Fishermen's Association. This is a FREE event, but pre-registration is required as space is limited. *Register by visiting SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, by calling 215-785-1177, or by stopping into the Visitors' Building. Please be sure to indicate the number of adults/children you are registering.*

Get to Know the Animals of SLNC! Saturday, April 27th, 1 - 2:30pm. Did you know that the SLNC Visitors' Building is home to two snakes, ten turtles, fish, and crayfish? You may have looked at them from outside of their enclosure, but now is your chance to get up close and personal with them! Join our animal caretaker to learn about each of our animals and how we care for them! Fee per person: \$2 for Friends of Silver Lake Members; \$3 for Non-members. *Register by calling 215-785-1177, by visiting SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, or by stopping into the Visitors' Building.*

REGISTRATION IS OPEN for Summer Nature Camp 2019!! Nine one-week sessions are being offered from June 24th through August 23rd, 9am to 4pm. Our camp is one of the most affordable in Bucks County, with rates of \$200 per week, and you can sign up for one week or all nine! Before and after care options are also available for an additional \$50/week.

Campers get personal attention with a staff to camper ratio of 1:5. While our focus is on Nature, we also offer art, cooking, engineering, poetry, and sports! Our staff is constantly adding more activities from day-to-day and week-to-week, so campers who attend all 9 weeks of camp will surely be entertained!

NEW THIS YEAR – TEEN CAMP for children ages 13 to 17 years old!

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND - PRESCHOOL NATURE CAMP for 4 - 5 year olds! This Camp is offered for three weeks this year, from 9am to 12pm, \$120/child per week.

For more information on Summer Camp, visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org or contact our amazing Camp Director, Kassandra Archer at kaarcher@buckscounty.org or 267-880-5024.

May 2019 Events at Silver Lake Nature Center

Volunteer Work Day. Saturday, May 4th, 9am - 2pm. Help us maintain our grounds! Be prepared to get wet and dirty. Bring a refillable water bottle. Give us 4 hours and we'll give you lunch! This event is **Rain or Shine.** *Register by calling 215-785-1177, by visiting SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, or by stopping into the Visitors' Building.*

Earth Day Every Day Concert by Righteous Jolly & Greg McGarvey. Saturday, May 4th, 7:30pm. Join us as we celebrate "Earth Day Every Day" with this amazing musical duo!! Concert will be held inside our Visitors' Building - doors open at 7pm. \$12/person in advance; \$15/person at the door. Advance ticket sales end on 5/3/19 at 5pm. Prices are the same for all ages. No refunds/exchanges. Proceeds benefit the non-profit Friends of Silver Lake organization. *Please visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, call 215-785-1177, or stop into the Visitors' Building for tickets.*

Art Show by Wm. Roger Clark – Opening Event. Sunday, May 5th, 2 – 4pm. Local Artist of Bristol, Wm. Roger Clark, will be doing a Fundraiser Art Show at SLNC throughout the month of May! **The Exhibit's Opening Event will be on Sunday, May 5th, from 2 to 4pm.** Guests will have the opportunity to view the beautiful artwork and meet the Artist, as well as enjoy light refreshments! Proceeds from paintings sold during the month of May will benefit the non-profit Friends of Silver Lake Nature Center organization.

North American Migratory Bird Count. Saturday, May 11th, 5:30am - 6:30pm. This is a great opportunity for both novices and experienced "birders" to take part in a Citizen Science Project - National Bird Census. Join us for all or part of the day. Pre-registration is required in order to participate. Event will take place at multiple locations. *For info and/or registration, call 215-785-1177, visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, or stop into the Visitors' Building.*

Spring Hike in Delhaas Woods. Saturday, May 11th, 1– 2:30pm. Join us for a walk through the awakening Delhaas Woods. Learn about the history of the land while identifying plants and animals. Depending on weather leading up to the hike, we may even get to explore fairy shrimp in the vernal pools! Fee per person: \$2 for Friends of Silver Lake Members; \$3 for Non-members. *Register by visiting SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, by calling 215-785-1177, or by stopping into the Visitors' Building.*

Full Moon Night Hike Campfire. Friday, May 17th, 7 – 8:30pm. We'll begin our hike at the Visitors' Building and make our way over to the Earthship to finish with a campfire and marshmallows! Fee per person: \$8/Friends of Silver Lake Member; \$10/Non-member. *Register by visiting SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, by calling 215-785-1177, or by stopping into the Visitors' Building.*

Nature Egg Scavenger Hunt. Saturday, May 18th, 1-2:30pm. This fun-for-the-whole-family Activity will challenge participants to find these "Special" hidden eggs throughout the wilds of the forest. Solve the *Who Done It?* mystery of the special eggs to achieve one of many prizes! Fee per person: \$2 for Friends of Silver Lake Members; \$3 for Non-members. *Register by visiting SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, by calling 215-785-1177, or by stopping into the Visitors' Building.*

Intro to Kayaking, Saturday. May 18th, 9-11am. Learn the basics of kayaking on beautiful Silver Lake. SLNC provides the kayaks and all other equipment. \$30/person or \$25/person for FOSL Members. *For info and/or registration, call 215-785-1177, visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, or stop into the Visitors' Building.*

Full Moon Kayaking Excursion. Saturday, May 18th, 6:30-9:30pm. This event is for adults who have kayaked at least once before. SLNC provides the kayaks and all other equipment. \$35/person or \$30/person for FOSL Members. *For info and/or registration, call 215-785-1177, visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, or stop into the Visitors' Building.*

Did you know?

...the beautiful Trails at SLNC are open daily, from Sunrise to Sunset! It is always free to come out and explore the Trails on your own!

...the Visitors' Building is open year 'round on Tuesdays, through Saturdays, from 10am to 5pm AND on Sundays, from Noon to 5pm! And, it's free to visit!

...being a Member of the Friends of Silver Lake Nature Center helps to keep this amazing Natural Treasure here! If you are a Member, thank you!! If you are not, please become one soon!! To join, call 215-785-1177, visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, or stop into the Visitors' Building. A "Household Membership" is just \$35/year!!

Looking Ahead...

Home School Enrichment Series - Spring Session ~ Tuesdays, March 26, 2019 - May 14, 2019. This 8-week Series is an option for families who take a different approach to educating their children (ages 6-18). For info/registration, please visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, call 215-785-1177, or contact Camp Director, Cassandra Archer at kaarcher@buckscounty.org.

Summer Solstice ~ Full Moon Night Hike Campfire. Friday, June 21st, 7 - 8:30pm. Join us for a special night on the Silver Lake Trails after dark! We'll begin our hike at the Visitors' Building and make our way over to the Earthship to finish with a campfire and marshmallows! Fee per person: \$8/Friends of Silver Lake Member; \$10/Non-member. *Register by visiting SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, by calling 215-785-1177, or by stopping into the Visitors' Building.*

Summer Solstice Celebration Concert by Chris Westfall. Saturday, June 22nd, 7:30-9:30pm. We are pleased to welcome back singer, songwriter, musician, and Nashville recording artist, Christopher Westfall, to celebrate the Summer Solstice with us! Concert will be held inside our Visitors' Building. Please feel free to arrive early to enjoy a walk on the Trails! Doors to the Visitors' Building will open at 7pm. Tickets: \$12/person in advance (by 5pm on 6/21) OR \$15 at the door. Ticket prices apply to all ages. No refunds/exchanges. Proceeds to benefit the non-profit Friends of Silver Lake Nature Center organization. *Please visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, call 215-785-1177, or stop into the Visitors' Building for tickets.*

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Clubs that meet at SLNC:

Artists of Bristol ~ Meets year 'round at 7pm on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. Contact: George Servais at gobweb@comcast.net.

Delaware River Fishermen's Association ~ Meets at 7pm on the last Wednesday of each month. Contact: John Pedrick at jipedrick@verizon.net.

Focal Planes Foto Club ~ Meets at 7pm on the 2nd Monday of each month, September through June. Contact: Bob Kearns at bobk815@gmail.com.

Nature Book Club ~ Meets at 6pm on the last Thursday of each month at the Earthship building. Contact: Lee Roach at SLNCLakeNatureBookClub@gmail.com.

Southern Bucks Garden Club ~ Meets at SLNC throughout the year. Contact Ellen Miller for details/info at ellenmiller24@comcast.net.

West Chester University Harp Ensemble ~ Rehearses at 6pm on the 3rd Monday of each month. Contact: Professor Gloria Galante at ggharp@comcast.net.

Yoga ~ Classes held at 7:30pm on Thursdays all year 'round. All ages & abilities welcome. \$8/members, \$10/non-members. Contact Joe or Deb at 267 808-1071 or joeDeb2000@verizon.net.

Silver Lake Nature Center
1306 Bath Road Bristol, PA 19007
215 785-1177

Visitors' Building Hours:

Please come explore our Exhibit Area featuring native animals and visit our Gift Shop.

Tuesday - Saturday
10 am - 5 pm
Sunday

12 pm - 5 pm
Closed Monday
Trails open daily, from Sunrise to Sunset.

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Spring Events Schedule



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March, April, & May 2019

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