

September 2019 Events at Silver Lake Nature Center

Volunteer Work Day. Saturday, September 7th, 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**. Please call 215-785-1177 if you would like to participate. *Register by calling 215-785-1177, by visiting SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, or by stopping into the Visitors' Building.*

Members' Only Night Hike Campfire.

Friday, September 13th, 6:30 to 8pm. Friends of Silver Lake Nature Center Members are invited join us for this fun, free event. We'll begin at the SLNC Visitors' Building and make our way over to the Earthship to finish with a Campfire and Marshmallows & other surprises!

RSVP by 9/10 at SilverLakeNatureCenter.org or by calling 215-785-1177. Please let us know if you'll be participating in both the Hike and the Campfire OR if you prefer to meet at the Earthship (parking also available there) and skip the Hike.

Intro to Kayaking. Saturday, September 14th, 9 - 11am. This two hour class, led by Kayaking Instructor, Melanie Pawlowski, introduces you to the parts of a kayak, how to hold and move a kayak paddle, how to enter and exit a kayak, ways to keep your balance while kayaking and, of course, how to get around on the water in a kayak. The Introduction to Kayaking class takes place right on the waters of Silver Lake. Class size is limited. Pre-registration/payment is required (at least 2 days prior to program) in order to participate. *To register, please visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, call 215-785-1177, or stop into the Visitors' Building. Fee: \$30/person or \$25/person for Friends of Silver Lake Members.*

Full Moon Kayaking Excursion. Saturday, September 14th, 6:30 - 9:30pm. This program is for those who have kayaked at least once before. We will start at the edge of Silver Lake and, once in the water, travel up Silver Lake into Magnolia Lake, where we will dock on the island in the middle. On the island, we will start a campfire and roast marshmallows. Afterwards, we'll embark on our journey back, letting the moonlight guide our way. Each kayaker will be able to take in the lovely sights of Silver Lake bathed in moonlight. Space is very limited. Must be at least 18 years old to participate in this program. Registration/payment is required (at least 2 days prior to program) in order to participate. *To register, please visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, call 215-785-1177, or stop into the Visitors' Building. Fee: \$35/person or \$30/person for Friends of Silver Lake Members.*

Earthship Tours. Saturdays, September 14th & 21st, 10am-1pm. FREE. The SLNC Earthship is open to the public two Saturdays a month! Stop by to visit and learn about these interesting, sustainable structures!

Home School Enrichment Series ~ Fall Session. Wednesdays, September 18th through November 6th, 2 - 4pm. SLNC's Homeschool Enrichment Series is an option for families who take a different approach to educating their children (ages 6-18). Our 8-week program provides an opportunity for children to get hands-on experience within the STEM disciplines without formal constraints. Each of the lessons are developed with the PA Standard Aligned System (SAS) in mind and ensure that children will excel in all settings. It is important your child dresses for the weather and is always prepared to get dirty!

For info/registration, visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, call 215-785-1177, or stop into the Visitors' Building.

Members: \$100.00 for the 8 week session/ \$15.00 per class on a class-by-class basis.

Non-members: \$120.00 for the 8 week session/ \$18.00 per class on a class-by-class basis.

Amazing World of Insects. Saturday, September 21st, 1 - 2:30pm. This adventure for all ages will lead the participants through many habitats in search of various species of insects that live among the forests, fields, and swamps of Silver Lake Nature Center. Discover the hidden world of these amazing creatures, and see for yourself why they are the Earth's most successful animal group. *To register, please visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, call 215-785-1177, or stop into the Visitors' Building. Fee: \$3/person or \$2/person for Friends of Silver Lake Members.*

Waterfall Exploration.

Saturday, September 28th, 1-2:30pm. At the far end of Silver Lake Park, the Lake flows over a dam creating an oxygen-rich habitat. Come turn over rocks and use nets to get an up-close look at Silver Lake's aquatic critters!

Please wear shoes that can get wet. You must be able to climb up and down a 3 step ladder.

To register, please visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, call 215-785-1177, or stop into the Visitors' Building. Fee: \$3/person or \$2/person for Friends of Silver Lake Members.

Saturday Morning Bird Walks Return!

Join us on Saturdays, from September through November, at 7:30am, for this FREE guided walk. Bring your binoculars, and meet us outside of the Visitors' Building, near the parking area. FREE!

October 2019 Events at Silver Lake Nature Center

Dow-sponsored Waterway Cleanup. Saturday, October 5th, 9am - 2pm. Please bring a refillable water bottle and be prepared to get wet! Closed-toe shoes must be worn at all times. Feel free to bring your own canoe or kayak if you wish! 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.

Fall Nature Crafts. Saturday, October 12th, 1 - 2:30pm. Fun for the whole family! Combine Nature with art and watch the magic begin. Each participant can create a work of art to take home with them. Program also involves a Nature Hike on the Trails. Please dress for the weather/to be outdoors. To register, please visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, call 215-785-1177, or stop into the Visitors' Building. Fee: \$3/person or \$2/person for Friends of Silver Lake Members.

SPECIAL EVENT!! New Date!! Save the Date!! Eco-music Group Concert- Music of Puerto Rico. Sunday, January 5th at 3pm!

Come and immerse yourself in beautiful music! Listen, sing, dance - enjoy! This event has an amazing line-up of Musicians, including: Professor Gloria Galante on Harp; Suzzette Ortiz on Piano; Raul Berrios on Percussion; Asaf Berrios on Steel Drum; AND Dancing by Waleska Lopez! Another very special part of this Concert will include learning about the many different instruments that Raul Berrios made by reusing/recycling items (that may have otherwise been trash)! Concert will be held inside the SLNC Visitors' Building.

TICKETS: \$12/person in advance; \$15/person at the door. Advance ticket sales end 1/4/20 at 5pm. Prices are the same for all ages. No refunds/exchanges.

Bird Seed Sale Pick-up (for orders placed by 10/12/19). Saturday, October 19th, 10am-2pm. Bird watching is more fun when you can attract them to your own yard, so fill your feeders with one of our special mixes. Friends of Silver Lake Nature Center Members receive a 10% discount on all Bird Seed Orders. Please place your order by calling 215-785-1177, by visiting SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, or by stopping into the Visitors' Building.

Birding 101 - Fall Edition. Saturday, October 19th, 1 - 2:30pm. Did you ever wonder what bird that is in your backyard? This course in bird watching is designed for the beginner. Everything from binoculars to birdfeeders to identification will be covered in this course before moving on to bird identification in the wilds of the preserve. To register, please call 215-785-1177, visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, or stop into the Visitors' Building. Fee: \$3/person or \$2/person for Friends of Silver Lake Members.

Earthship Tours. Saturdays, October 19th & 26th, 10am-1pm. FREE. The SLNC Earthship will be open to the public today! Stop by to visit and learn about these interesting, sustainable structures!



Meet the SLNC Exhibit Animals! Saturday, October 26th, 1-2pm. Did you know that SLNC is home to some remarkable reptiles and fish? Come visit our resident Education Animals! Take a tour of our exhibits and learn more about our Box Turtles, Aquatic Turtles, Native Fish, Snakes, AND Crayfish. Enjoy this opportunity to see the animals up close, and ask questions about our scaly friends who live inside the Visitors' Building! **Free!**

Join us for a Saturday Morning Bird Walk! September through November, at 7:30am. Bring your binoculars, and meet us outside of the Visitors' Building, near the parking area. **FREE!**

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 become a Member of the Friends of SLNC, please visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, call 215-785-1177, or stop into the Visitors' Building. A "Household Membership" is just \$35/year!!

November 2019 Events at Silver Lake Nature Center

Volunteer Work Day. Saturday, November 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.

Charlie Zahm & Tad Marks Concert A Tribute to John Denver.

Saturday, November 2nd, 7:30 pm.

Returning for another awesome concert - Charlie Zahm on vocals & guitar and Tad Marks on fiddle! 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 11/1/19 at 5pm. Prices are the same for all ages. No refunds/exchanges.

FUNDRAISER!! Paint a Portrait of Your Pet with A Taste of Artistry.

Sunday, November 10th, 2 - 4pm.

Ever wanted to learn how to paint a portrait of your pet? Here's your chance! This 'fun for all ages' Paint Class offers the non-artist a personalized pre-traced canvas of their pet (dog, cat, bird — you name it), two hours of instruction & art supplies. Our instructor, Abbie, will show you how to paint your pet in a traditional style or a funky style, your choice! Please feel free to bring your favorite snacks and drinks (NON-ALCOHOLIC, of course).

TICKETS: \$40/person.

\$10 from every ticket sold will be donated to the non-profit Friends of Silver Lake Nature Center.

For registration/info, please visit atasteofartistry.com

SPECIAL EVENT!! Fun-fundraiser!!

Fall Fling (with a Harvest Swing)!

NEW DATE!! Thursday, November 7th at 6pm!!

Back by popular demand! This fun, fall event is returning! Event will be held inside the SLNC Visitors' Building.

Please RSVP at SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, 215-785-1177, or by stopping into the SLNC Visitors' Building. \$50/person.

Tracking Wild Animals. Saturday, November 16th, 1-2:30pm.

Wild animals leave behind their footprints as they wander through Silver Lake Nature Preserve. During this expedition, participants will learn how to track animals and even how to make a plaster cast of a footprint to take home with them. All ages welcome.

To register, please visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, call 215-785-1177, or stop into the Visitors' Building.

Fee: \$3/person or \$2/person for Friends of Silver Lake Members.

Earthship Tour. Saturday, November 16th. 10am-1pm. FREE. The SLNC Earthship will be open to the public today! Stop by to visit and learn about these interesting, sustainable structures!



**Saturday, November 9th. New Trail Opening!!
SILVER LAKE TRAIL OPENING CELEBRATION!!**

Visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, call 215-785-1177, or stop into the Visitors' Building for details.

NEW this Year!! Look out for SLNC at the Bristol Township Holiday Parade on Saturday, November 23rd!!

More SLNC Happenings!

2019-2020 Kids' Nature Days:

10/14, 11/5, 11/11, 12/30, 1/20, 2/17, 4/9, & 4/10

Why only have camp in the summer when you can do it in all seasons?! Our Kids' Nature Days are scheduled for days when most schools are off. Each Kids' Nature Day provides exciting seasonal adventures for your child. Staff and Campers spend the days exploring the forest, swamps, and marsh in all weather.

Kids' Nature Days run from 9:00am-4:00pm and are drop-off only. Before and after-care are available for an additional fee.

Pricing: \$40/child per day for 2019 Summer Camp Families; \$50.00/child per day for Friends of Silver Lake Members; \$65.00/child per day for Non-members. Balance must be paid in full at time of registration. For registration/info, please visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org, call 215-785-1177, or stop into the Visitors' Building.

BUY 3, GET 1 FREE! You must pay in full at the time of registration in order to qualify for a free Kids' Nature Day.

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Winter Solstice Celebration

Coming up on December 20th! Visit SilverLakeNatureCenter.org for info/updates!

SYMBIONTS

Clubs that meet at SLNC:

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

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

Bristol Photographers Club ~ Meets at 7pm on the 2nd & 4th Monday of each month, September through June. Contact: Heather Baker hebaker1@gmail.com.

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

Nature Playschool ~ Meets throughout the fall, winter, and spring. For info, contact Simona Lederman at natureplayschoolcoop@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 joeдеб2000@verizon.net.

Silver Lake Nature Center

Visitors' Building Hours **Closed Monday**
Tuesday - Saturday **Explore our Exhibit**
10am - 5pm **Area featuring native**
Sunday **animals and visit our**
Noon - 5pm **Gift Shop.**

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Fall 2019 Events Schedule



September, October, & November

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