

## **Caring for Communities**

### **Earth Month Celebration**

**April 2009**

#### **Presented by the Merrill W. Linn Land & Waterways Conservancy**

A series of free, fun, family events for every weekend in April as well as Arbor Day and May 3. Now in its 6th year, the Earth Month Celebration explores critical environmental issues that affect the sustainability and well being of our communities. And we have fun doing it! This year's theme: conserving and improving animal wildlife habitat, both in the backyard and the lands around us.

All events are held at the Dale/Engle/Walker property on Strawbridge Road off Route 192 1.7 miles west of Lewisburg unless noted otherwise. Follow brown PennDOT signs on Route 192.

#### **Sunday, April 5, 9 a.m.: WKOK 1070 AM Roundtable on Preserving Animal Wildlife Habitat**

Hosted by Moderator Mark Lawrence and coordinated by Bob Deffner, manager of R.B. Winter State Park. Also at 6 a.m. on Eagle 107.3 FM and WVLY 100.9 FM, at 11 a.m. on WMLP 1380 AM, and at 11 p.m. on 94KX 94.1 FM.

#### **Sunday, April 5, 1:30-3:30 p.m.: 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Native Plant Sale and Talk on Gardening for Animal Wildlife**

At the Public Library for Union County. The talk and native plant orders will begin at 1:30. The talk is entitled *Landscaping with Native Plants for Birds, Butterflies and the Bay*, presented by Catherine Haffner, watershed specialist, Columbia County Conservation District.

#### **Saturday, April 11, 10 a.m.: Walk at Montandon Marsh**

Led by Bucknell University professors and Tony Markunas III of Central Builders Supply. Meet at Central Builders' sand plant off Route 45, .3 miles east of Route 405.

**Saturday, April 18, 7:30 p.m.: It's Earth Day Weekend! Owl Prowl and Astronomy Night**

Owl walk led by Joe Southerton, Mifflinburg teacher followed by astronomy observing at 8:30 led by Ned Ladd, Bucknell physics professor. Meet at the Dale's Ridge Trail parking lot for the Owl Prowl or at the Dale/Engle/Walker House for the Astronomy Night.

**Sunday, April 19, 1 p.m.: Bicycle Ride on the Conservancy's Rural Routes**

Led by bike enthusiast Tom Gibson. Routes will be available for two levels of experience, 15 miles and 30 miles. Park at the Dale/Engle/Walker House and meet at the Dale's Ridge Trail parking lot.

**Friday, April 24, Arbor Day Activities with the Lewisburg Shade Tree Commission**

Celebration and tree planting ceremony at 4:30 at Lewisburg Cemetery followed by a tree walk around the 7<sup>th</sup> Street area of Lewisburg at 5:30. Meet at the northeast corner of the cemetery near the intersection of 7<sup>th</sup> St. and St. Catherine St. Learn about the history of notable trees in town and plans for keeping them vital.

**Sunday, April 26, 1 p.m.: Buffalo Creek Water Quality Testing and Canoe/Kayak Adventure Trip**

Sponsored by the Buffalo Creek Watershed Alliance. Kayak trip is led by Canoe Susquehanna with reservation and fee required. Water sampling will be led by Matt McTammany, Bucknell biology professor, followed by the canoe/kayak trip at 2:00. Meet at Mazeppa Park in Mazeppa. Look for details and register online ([www.canoesusquehanna.com](http://www.canoesusquehanna.com)) for the kayak adventure or call 524-7692.

**Sunday, May 3, 1-5 p.m.: Celebration Day for the Family**

See attached schedule for all the events.

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