

Programs for 2011 - 2012
Programs begin at 7:30 at McConnell Hall at
Nolde Environmental Education Center

September 23, 2011 **Friday 7:30 PM**
"Blue Marsh Resource Management Plan" by Kathy Grim. Take a behind the scenes look at how the Army Corp of Engineers manages public use alongside wildlife management. This Power Point Program will show how wildlife is managed at Blue Marsh Lake through projects and partnerships. Animal pelts and skulls will be on hand to examine. The program will be followed by our **Fall Native Plant Exchange and Giveaway**.

October 28, 2011 **Friday 7:30 PM**
"Dragonflies" by member Ken Lebo. Ken will take us in close with wonderful photography to examine the life cycle, colors, and beauty of a wide variety of Dragonflies. (Not to be confused with his previous excellent Damselfly presentation). The program will be followed by the annual **Wildflower Seed Exchange and Giveaway**.

November 8, 2011 **Tuesday 7:30 PM**
"Volcanoes and Earthquakes of Pacific Northwest" by Dr. Stan Mertzman of Franklin & Marshall College. This subject and part of the country are Dr. Mertzman's area of research. Joint meeting with the Berks Mineralogical Society and **held at the READING MUSEUM!**

December 9, 2011 **Friday 7:30 PM.**
"The Science of Sky Color" by Dr. Susan Marshall of Penn State - Berks. The program is illustrated with photographs of the sky and of classic paintings of the phenomenon. Joint meeting with Baird Ornithological Club.

January 27, 2012 **Friday 7:30 PM**
Member's Night -- "Caterpillars" by Jim Eckert ; "Buzz Pollination" by Mike Slater; and "Hiking the Grand Canyon, Rim-To-Rim" by Peter Wolfe

February 24, 2012 **Friday 7:30 PM**
"Panama Summer - Hot with Wildlife!" Presented by Linda Ingram. A visit to the world's most accessible rain forest park where cultural history and natural history are forever intertwined. Program includes all the birds, butterflies, mammals, reptiles and the habitat that surrounds them.

March 23, 2012 **Friday 7:30 PM**
"Circumnavigating Isla Espiritu Santo by Sea Kayak" Presented by Richard Bonnett, MNHS President. This program covers a 6 day adventure paddling from camp to camp while exploring a protected deserted island located near the southern tip of Baja Mexico in the Sea of Cortez.

April 27, 2012 **Friday 7:30 PM**
"The Life Zones of Southern Chile - Following Darwin's Voyage of the Beagle" by Robert Stamper, adjunct Biology Professor at Muhlenberg College. Supported by photographs from a visit to Chile, this program relates the geology to the climate and life forms found there and discusses what Darwin observed during his extended stay. Lecture followed by our annual **Spring Wildflower Exchange and Giveaway**.

May 18, 2012 **Friday 6:30 PM**
Annual Mengel Dinner at Chef Allen's American Bistro, Gathering at 6:30, dinner at 7:00 p.m. "Mountain to Sea Sojourn" presented by Todd Bauman. In December 2010, Hawk Mountain's own Todd Bauman paddled from Hawk Mtn. to Cape May with the help of a dedicated support team. Often paddling at night to avoid wind, Todd found himself in several unexpected, humorous, and dangerous situations. Come enjoy his sojourn which also became the sojourn of the many that followed his daily blog. Meal options and cost to be announced later.

Field Trips for 2011 – 2012

(BOC = Joint event with Baird Ornithological Club)

Trips will be confirmed and leaders announced in the monthly newsletter. You may call the leader or 610-582-8656 to confirm the trip or for other information including weather cancellation status. Most trips last under 2 hours.

April 28, 2012 **Saturday 10:00 AM**
Neversink Mt. - Butterflies, Birds, and Botany.
(BOC) Meet at S 10th St. & South St. in Reading. Park on South St. Leaders are Ryan Woolwine 610-777-2333, Ken Lebo 610-856-1413, and Karl Gardner 610-987-3281.

May 6, 2012 (Change in date/time) **Sunday 2:00 PM**
"Hidden Jewels of the Deep Woods" at Hay Creek Call leader to get meeting location. Leader: Rich Bonnett 610-582-8656. Original date was May 5.

July 14, 2012 **Saturday 6:30 PM to ?**
Picnic and Moth Night at Nolde Env. Edu Center.
(BOC) Bring picnic dinner and enjoy the Katydid with friends and family as leaders bait trees and hang sheets to bring in the night insects. Soft drinks provided. Meet at picnic area behind main parking lot Leaders are Ryan Woolwine 610-777-2333, Ken Lebo 610-856-1413, and Jim Eckert.

August 4, 2012 **Saturday 10 AM**
Butterfly Identification Walk at Lake Ontelaunee.
(BOC) Meet at dam breast on Rt. 73. We will drive to nearby location. Leaders Karl Gardner 610-987-3281, Ken Lebo 610-856-1413

September 1, 2012 **Saturday 10 AM**
Butterfly Identification Walk in Wyomissing Fields
(BOC) From Museum, go west on Parkside Drive South to Old Mill Rd., turn right and continue a few blocks, park on left on gravel lot near stone building. Leaders Karl Gardner 610-987-3281, Ken Lebo 610-856-1413