

## Schoolyard Habitats/Conserve Workshop

Wednesday, April 28<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Join Jacobsburg and the PA Game Commission for this free workshop which provides hands-on experience with the design and implementation process involved in creating native plant gardens that provide functional habitat for butterflies, hummingbirds, and other species of wildlife. Contact Bill Sweeney at (610) 746-2808 or [wisweeney@state.pa.us](mailto:wisweeney@state.pa.us)

## Wildflower Walk in Sobers Run\*

Sunday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>

11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.  
Sobers Run is one of the most beautiful and environmentally sensitive areas in Jacobsburg. Join Bill Sweeney for a walk through this special area in search of wildflowers and other signs of spring. Wear comfortable hiking shoes. Contact Bill Sweeney at (610) 746-2808 or [wisweeney@state.pa.us](mailto:wisweeney@state.pa.us)

## Biodiversity of the Bushkill\*

Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
Join Jacobsburg and the Bushkill Stream Conservancy for this trip through the Bushkill Creek watershed focusing on native plants, insects, birds, and other biological indicators. Learn about how the protection of greenways that contact the watershed to the Blue Mountain is important to the biodiversity of the area. Contact Bill Sweeney at (610) 746-2808 or [wisweeney@state.pa.us](mailto:wisweeney@state.pa.us)

## Ricketts Glen State Park Birding Weekend\*

May 21-23

Join us for this 3-day boreal birding adventure at beautiful Ricketts Glen State Park. Learn about the Neotropical birds that spend the summer at higher elevations. We'll also visit Worlds End State Park and visit the quaint town of Eagles Mere. Rooms available at the Fishing Creek Angler Bed & Breakfast on a first come first serve basis. For more information and to register contact Rick Wiltraut at (610) 746-2810 or [rwiltraut@state.pa.us](mailto:rwiltraut@state.pa.us)

## Golden-winged Warblers of Weiser State Forest\*

Saturday, May 29<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon  
The Golden-winged Warbler is one of the rarest Neotropical birds in the northeastern U.S. Weiser State Forest in Carbon County is one of their last strongholds in Pennsylvania. Join us for this trek to see this rare bird. Please wear comfortable hiking shoes and bring binoculars. To register, contact Rick Wiltraut at (610) 746-2810 or [rwiltraut@state.pa.us](mailto:rwiltraut@state.pa.us)



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If you need an accommodation to participate in an activity due to a disability, please contact the Pennsylvania Bureau of State Parks: 1-888-PA-PARKS (voice) 1-888-537-7294 (TTY) 1-717-558-2711 (local or international TTY) or 1-800-654-5984 (PA AT&T Relay Service).



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**Bushkill Winter Bird Count\***

Saturday, January 16<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Join us for this all-day bird count in the Bushkill Creek watershed. Find out what birds survive the winter in this area and the different native plants that help them survive harsh winter conditions. Dress for the weather and bring binoculars. For more information and to register, contact Rick Wiltraut at 610-746-2810 or [rwiltraut@state.pa.us](mailto:rwiltraut@state.pa.us)

**Bald Eagles and Old-Growth of the Delaware Water Gap\***

Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

The upper Delaware River is one of the best places in Pennsylvania to see Bald Eagles during the winter. Join us for this trip to look for these magnificent birds. Learn about their biology and the close association with old-growth trees, particularly the White Pine. This is a great opportunity for photographers. Dress for the weather and bring lunch and binoculars. We will stop for snacks and coffee along the way. Fee \$5.00. To register, contact Bill Sweeney at 610-746-2808 or [wisweeney@state.pa.us](mailto:wisweeney@state.pa.us)

**Snow Geese of Middle Creek\***

Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Middle Creek Wildlife Management Area is the premier place in Pennsylvania to see Snow Geese and Tundra Swans. Join us for this all-day trek to this marvelous sanctuary for waterfowl and other wildlife. We'll stop for coffee on the way. Leaders will stay until dusk for those who wish to look for Short-eared Owls. Dress for the weather, bring a lunch and your binoculars. To register, contact Rick Wiltraut at 610-746-2810 or [rwiltraut@state.pa.us](mailto:rwiltraut@state.pa.us)

**Frog Slog Fridays\***

Friday, March 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>

7:00-9:00 pm

Amphibians are very sensitive to environmental changes and thus excellent indicators of environmental health. Join local herpetologists Andy Curtis and John Becker for this annual trek to look for breeding frogs and salamanders. Please dress for the weather, bring a flashlight and be prepared to get wet! To register, please contact Bill Sweeney at 610-746-2808 or [wisweeney@state.pa.us](mailto:wisweeney@state.pa.us)



**Sky Dance at Jacobsburg\***

Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup>

6:00-8:00 p.m.

One of the most fascinating sights in nature is the evening courtship flight of the American Woodcock, also known as the "sky dance." Join us for this special evening to see this spectacle. Learn about American Woodcock biology and the efforts at Jacobsburg to create habitat for this declining species. Dress for the weather and bring binoculars. To register, contact Rick Wiltraut at 610-746-2810 or [rwiltraut@state.pa.us](mailto:rwiltraut@state.pa.us)



**Earth Day at Jacobsburg**

Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup>

10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Join Friends of Jacobsburg us as we work to restore the habitat in the park. Please bring your lunch. Work gloves will be provided. Your help will be greatly appreciated. For more information, contact Bill Sweeney at 610-746-2808 or [wisweeney@state.pa.us](mailto:wisweeney@state.pa.us)

**Ruffed Grouse Trek and Habitat Restoration\***

Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

Join us as we beat the thickets along the Kittatinny Ridge in search of our state bird, the Ruffed Grouse. The Kittatinny Ridge is the most reliable place to see this species in the Lehigh Valley. There's also a chance to hear the males drumming to attract a mate. Since Ruffed Grouse have declined over the years we are also seeking volunteers to help the PA Game Commission create some Ruffed Grouse habitat on State Game lands 168 later in the day. Dress for the weather, wear comfortable hiking shoes and bring binoculars. To register, contact Rick Wiltraut at 610-746-2808 or [rwiltraut@state.pa.us](mailto:rwiltraut@state.pa.us)

