

2020 Calendar – Lehigh Gap Nature Center

NOTE: Additional events will be added to the calendar. Please check www.lgnc.org for more information.

Winter Events and Programs

January 9, 7:00 p.m. – Speaker Series: Howard “Sandy” Whidden, Ph.D.



“Long-term Studies of Bat Populations in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area”

January 16, 10:00 a.m.-noon – Cabin Fever Book Club
We are reading *A Rum Affair* by Karl Sabbagh & Adam Nicholson.

January 18, 7:15 a.m.-noon – Winter Bird Survey
Work in teams to bird a rectangular area around Bake Oven Knob. Join us at Mama’s Pizza at 12:15 p.m. to tally results and have lunch.

Ornithology/Birding 101

Meets every other Tuesday, February 4 - June 9

We will explore ornithology in the classroom, learning interesting aspects of bird anatomy, physiology, behavior, and identification. There will also be a field component to the class in which we will get outside at LGNC and other local birding spots, plus go further afield with field trips to birding hotspots within a day’s drive. Classes presented by retired LGNC Director, Dan Kunkle. \$25/members, \$75/non-members. Registration required.



February 8, 10:00 a.m.-noon – Winter Nature Walk
On a mid-winter trek through the Gap, we will discuss winter tree identification and look for signs of life during the colder part of the year! Binoculars provided.

February 13, 7:00 p.m. – Speaker Series: Louise Bugbee
“History of the Lehigh River”

February 14-16 – Lehigh Gap Area Feeder Watch
Contact us for information or visit our website to participate in this “citizen science” research project in your backyard.

February 20, 10:00 a.m. to noon – Cabin Fever Book Club
Engineering Eden by Jordan Fisher Smith is our book for February.

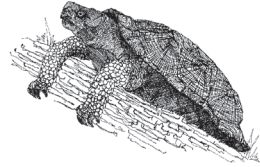
March 19, 10:00 a.m.-noon – Cabin Fever Book Club
We will be discussing *American Wolf* by Nate Blakeslee.

Spring Events and Programs

March 22, 3:00 p.m. – Speaker Series: Gary Gentile
“Canoeing the Wilderness”

April 4, 10:00 a.m.-noon – “Signs of Spring” Nature Walk

Enjoy an early spring exploration of plants and animals at LGNC! Binoculars provided.



April 18, 9:00 a.m.-noon – Earth Day Service Day
In celebration of Earth Day, help us clean up the gardens and Refuge!

April 23, 7:00 p.m. – Speaker Series: Scott Keys
“Birds of the Haul Road – an Alaskan Adventure”

May 2 – Curious Naturalist Workshops
9:00-10:00 a.m. – Spring migrants of LGNC. Enjoy the birds returning to LGNC, passing through, and those that live here year-round. Binoculars provided.
10:00-11:00 a.m. – Macroinvertebrate survey. Discover the aquatic insects that live in the Lehigh River.
11:00 a.m.-noon – Botany Walk. Learn to identify trees, flowering plants, and more around the Osprey House.

May 7, 6:30-8:00 p.m. – Lehigh Gap Walking Tour
Discover the history, ecology, and geology of the Lehigh Gap as we walk along the ADA-accessible D&L Trail. Binoculars provided.

June 6, 7:00 p.m. – Whip-poor-will Hike
Meet at the Osprey House at 6:45 p.m. or at the Translater Lane Parking lot at 7:00 p.m. We will hike up Translater Lane to the top of the mountain by dusk and then listen for Whip-poor-wills on the way back down in the dark. Bring a flashlight if you have one.

Young Ecologists Summer Camp

June 23-26 – For students finishing grades 5-7. Registration required. Contact the Nature Center for an application.

Summer Events and Programs

June 20, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. – Pollinator Day
Celebrate our important pollinators! Enjoy exhibits, honey tasting, a native plant sale, and other activities (TBA). Schedule of events:

9:00-10:00 a.m. – Bird Walk. Join us for a beginner bird walk around the Osprey House. Binoculars provided.

10:00 a.m. and noon – Butterfly and Bug Walk. Discover the many butterflies and other insects that live in LGNC’s habitat gardens! Kids and families are encouraged to attend. Insect nets provided.

2:00 p.m. – Garden Tour. Learn about the 200+ species in LGNC’s habitat gardens!

July 11 – Watershed Workshops

9:00-10:30 a.m. – Riparian Bird Walk. Discover what birds live in and along the Lehigh River.



10:30 a.m.-noon Macroinvertebrate Survey and Fish Seining. Assess the quality of the Lehigh as we see what critters call the river home.

New! Budding Naturalist Mini Camp

July 14-16 – For students finishing grades K-2. Registration required. Details to be announced on lgnc.org.

July 18, 10:00 a.m.-noon – Pond Adventure
Join us for a dragon(fly), macroinvertebrate, and reptile/amphibian hunt at the Kittatinny Ponds!

July 30, 8:00-9:30 p.m. – Nature at Night
Search for moths, caterpillars, bats and other creatures of the night. Discover caterpillars that glow in the dark with black light flashlights! Bring a regular flashlight if you have one.



Four B Walks (Bugs, Butterflies, Birds, and Blooms) with Doug Burton

Wednesdays, July 1, 8, and 22 at 10:00 a.m. For families with children ages 5-11.

2020 Calendar of Events

LEHIGH GAP NATURE CENTER



All events begin at the *Osprey House* in Lehigh Gap and are free to the public (unless noted otherwise). Events are sponsored in part by a *Lehigh County Quality of Life* grant. For directions, see lgnc.org or contact us at mail@lgnc.org or 610-760-8889.

Contact us for more information, and check the website for additional events.

phone: 610-760-8889

email: mail@lgnc.org

website: www.lgnc.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/lehighgap

Autumn Events and Programs

Autumn Speaker Series – Events to be announced. Check www.lgnc.org for more information.

September 19, 9:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m. – Migration Fest
Our annual celebration of hawk migration and Appalachian Mountain ecology. Learn about the annual fall spectacle of hawks and butterflies migrating along the Kittatinny Ridge and how to identify raptors. Activities throughout the day; schedule to be announced on lgnc.org.

November 7, 6:30 p.m. – Members' Campfire and S'mores
LGNC members are invited to join us for a campfire, and s'mores! Bring a flashlight if you have one.

November 7-15 – Nature in Art Exhibition
Our 8th annual juried art exhibition. View and/or purchase works from local artists. Vote for People's Choice Award. Artists' reception November 15.

November 14 – More or Less 10K Trail Run (and 2-Mile Scamper)
Run the refuge! New race route each year. See www.lgnc10k.com for more info and to register.

November 19, 10:00 a.m. – Cabin Fever Book Club
Book to be announced.

December 5, 12:30-3:00 p.m. – Holiday Open House
Join us for wreath-making, holiday crafts, and nature activities. Bring some goodies to share!



December 17, 10:00 a.m. – Cabin Fever Book Club
Book to be announced.

We hope you enjoy your visit!

Did you know that LGNC is a member-supported organization that teaches over 10,000 students each year?

LGNC depends on **memberships and donations** to provide programs like these for the community. We receive no ongoing government support. Please consider joining today!

August 15 - November 27 Bake Oven Knob Hawk Count

Join us on the lookout to help with the 60th annual Autumn Hawk Count as a volunteer counter or spotter, to learn about the raptors, their ecology and migrations, or just to enjoy the view and the spectacle of the hawk flight. The lookout is staffed daily by our research intern or by LGNC volunteers.



August 23, 6:00 p.m. – Volunteer and Member Appreciation Picnic
Potluck picnic – bring a dish to share with everyone. Enjoy an evening of fellowship and fun!

August 30, Noon-4:00 p.m. – Lehigh Gap Ride and Raft
Explore the Lehigh Gap by bike and raft on a guided excursion hosted by LGNC and Pocono Whitewater/Pocono Biking. Registration required and limited to 18 participants. **Registration details TBA.**

September 3, 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Lehigh Gap Restoration Hike
Learn how LGNC brought life back to the mountainside during a 2.2-mile hike through the Gap!

September 12, 8:30 a.m.-noon – Autumn Migration Birding Workshop
Learn why birds migrate and how to identify autumn migrants, before taking a field trip to Bake Oven Knob in search of songbirds and raptors. Meet at the Osprey House.



Nature Clubs for Kids!

Junior Naturalist Club
Meets the first Thursday of each month at 4:30 p.m.
For students in grades 2-6

Naturalist Club
Meets the first Monday of each month at 4:00 p.m.
For students in grades 7-12.

