

# What LGNC membership supports:



## Outdoor Recreation

- 13 miles of freely accessible hiking trails
- Access to the Appalachian Trail and D&L Trail
- Opportunities for hiking, biking, horseback riding, wildlife watching, and much more
- Access to the Lehigh River

**Memberships help LGNC maintain our trails year round and provide free community access!**



## Education

- Up to 10,000 students served annually through school and community programs
- Year-round, family-friendly education programs and festivals for the public
- Self-guided learning opportunities
- The Osprey House visitor and education center

**Memberships help LGNC teach audiences of all ages through free and affordable outreach!**



## Conservation

- 756 acres of restored wildlife habitat, home to hundreds of native species
- Ecological research, including the Bake Oven Knob Hawk Count
- Native habitat gardens and native plant outreach
- Community science projects

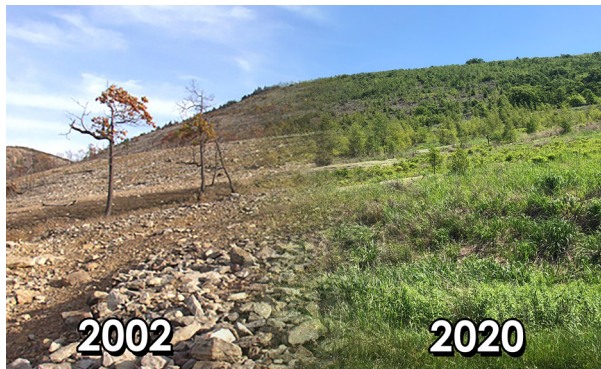
**Memberships help LGNC protect wildlife, conduct research, and promote backyard conservation!**



**Did you know?** *LGNC receives no ongoing federal, state, or local government support. As a nonprofit, we depend on memberships and donations from people like you!*

## Be a part of LGNC's Unique and Inspiring Conservation Story!

Nestled within the Kittatinny Ridge, alongside the Lehigh River, Lehigh Gap Nature Center (LGNC) is a non-profit, member-supported conservation and environmental education organization. Through our efforts to revegetate a once barren and polluted mountainside, LGNC has created **the first and only nature center in the United States on a Superfund site**. This is our story...



Just a few decades ago, much of the Lehigh Gap area was a 'moonscape.' Nearly a century of industrial pollution, though accidental, left behind 3,000 acres of contaminated land virtually devoid of life. In 1983, the Environmental Protection Agency established a Superfund cleanup site to restore the affected land. With the founding of the Lehigh Gap Wildlife Refuge in 2002, LGNC launched a project to heal a piece of this broken landscape.

LGNC's transformation from Superfund to *super habitat* has been a grassroots effort from the start, led by a small group of volunteers with a bold vision of hope. With support from numerous partners, LGNC used native prairie grasses to build the foundation of a new ecosystem upon several hundred acres of denuded mountainside. Today, this ecosystem thrives. And while we continue to restore the land, we are also working to strengthen the connection between people and the natural world through education, research, and outdoor recreation.

But none of this would be possible without the ongoing support of our members. We invite **you** to help LGNC write the next chapter of this story as **a member of our organization!**

## Membership Opportunities

By joining LGNC, you are supporting all that LGNC provides for the community – from trails to education and everything in between!

### Membership benefits include:

- Invitations to exclusive members-only events and priority registration for all events
  - Discounts on all items in our nature shop and all program fees
  - Email notifications about events
  - Our unique membership magazines or newsletter
  - **The satisfaction of supporting our nationally recognized conservation and education work!**
- All contributions are *tax-deductible*.

### Join by Mail!

#### 1. Please fill out this form:

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

#### Membership Level (check one):

- Friend of the Refuge**..... \$25  
Friends receive our newsletter; all other levels receive *Wildlife Activist* and *American Hawkwatcher* magazines.
- Individual**..... \$40
- Family**..... \$50
- Sustaining**..... \$100
- Contributing**..... \$250
- Patron**..... \$500
- Golden Eagle Donor**..... \$1000

#### 2. Mail this brochure, along with a check, to:

Lehigh Gap Nature Center  
P.O. Box 198  
Slatington, PA 18080



### Join Online!

Visit our online store at [bit.ly/LGNC\\_Store](http://bit.ly/LGNC_Store), or scan this QR code with your smartphone camera!

# Join Our Community!

## Membership Information

# Lehigh Gap Nature Center



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