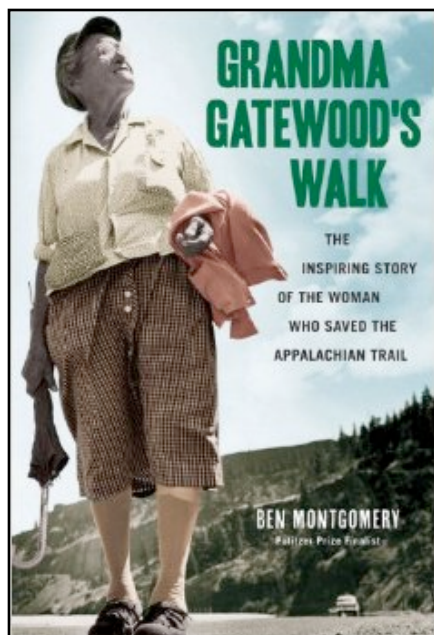


# Wissahickon Nature Club

## Guest Speakers

MARCH 13, THURSDAY, 7:30 P.M. **TRACKING**, BY **DAVID ROHM AND MELISSA ROHM**. **DAVID ROHM** STUDIED TRACKING UNDER TOM BROWN, JR. AND HAS TAUGHT MORE THAN 50 PROGRAMS FOR STATE AND COUNTY PARKS, SCHOOLS, AND SCOUT GROUPS. LEARN HOW TO IDENTIFY TRACKS, NOT ONLY BY APPEARANCE, BUT ALSO BY HABITAT AND BEHAVIORAL CLUES. **DAVID AND MELISSA** WILL ALSO DISCUSS THEIR WATERSHED STEWARDSHIP WORK. THEY ARE AVID BIRDERS, PHOTOGRAPHERS, AND KAYAKERS, AND THEY FOUNDED THE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION **PADDLE WITHOUT POLLUTION**, WHICH REMOVES TONS OF LITTER AND ILLEGALLY DUMPED DEBRIS FROM PENNSYLVANIA'S WATERWAYS USING ONLY KAYAKS AND CANOES.



## Exhibit

**Emma Gatewood** told her family she was going on a walk and left her small Ohio hometown with a change of clothes and less than two hundred dollars. The next anybody heard from her, this genteel, farm-reared, 67-year-old great-grandmother had walked 800 miles along the 2,050-mile Appalachian Trail. And in September 1955, having survived a rattlesnake strike, two hurricanes, and a run-in with gangsters from Harlem, she stood atop Maine's Mount Katahdin. There she sang the first verse of "America, the Beautiful" and proclaimed, "I said I'll do it, and I've done it."

## Announcements

**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
ACCORDING TO TREASURER  
**DIANNE MACHESNEY:**  
**DUES DEPOSIT** \$246.00  
**NEW BALANCE** \$1053.15

**WORTH REPEATING**  
THE MYSTERY OF MIGRATING BUTTERFLIES, THE MYSTERY OF GRAVITY AND DREAMS ARE BUT OPERATING ARMS OF THE GREAT MYSTERY, THE PERPETUATION OF WHICH SUSTAINS US ALL.

TOM ROBBINS, ANOTHER  
ROADSIDE ATTRACTION

## COOL WEBSITES

**EAGLECAM**  
[Video: Mother bald eagle fends off raccoon attack in Pennsylvania](http://www.cbsnews.com)  
[www.cbsnews.com](http://www.cbsnews.com)

**FALCONCAM**  
[HTTP://WWW.WQED.ORG/BIRDBLOG/2014/03/03/WORKING-BOTH-ENDS-OF-TOWN/](http://WWW.WQED.ORG/BIRDBLOG/2014/03/03/WORKING-BOTH-ENDS-OF-TOWN/)

DON'T MISS OUR NEXT MEETING. MARCH 27, THURSDAY, 7:30 P.M. **AFRICA BY NORM SNYDER**. **NORM** WILL TAKE US ON AN ARMCHAIR TOUR THROUGH THE SCENIC WILDS OF AFRICA. THIS PROGRAM FEATURES AN UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL LOOK AT MANY OF THE WILD ANIMALS MOST OF US HAVE ONLY SEEN AT THE ZOO.



Bald Eagle, "Haliaeetus leucocephalus" coming in for the kill. Viera, Brevard County, FL 1-15-14. by **Chuck Tague**

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**APRIL 6, SUNDAY, 2014, 1:00 P.M.**  
**CEDAR CREEK GORGE, BY MARK BOWERS.** MEET AT THE FARTHEST PARKING LOT, NEAR THE GORGE TRAIL.

**APRIL 22, TUESDAY, 10:00 A.M.**  
**EARTH DAY! WOLF CREEK NARROWS, BUTLER COUNTY, BY DIANNE MACHESNEY.** DIRECTIONS: FROM PITTSBURGH TAKE I-79 NORTH TO EXIT 105. TURN LEFT ON PA 108. TRAVEL EAST ON PA 108 FOR ABOUT 0.7 MILES TO WEST PARK RD (DAIRY QUEEN ON THE RIGHT). TURN LEFT ONTO WEST PARK ROAD (SR 1015) AND DRIVE NORTH ABOUT 1.8 MILES TO SR 1020 (YOU CAN SEE SOME LARGE SILOS ON THE RIGHT). TURN RIGHT ON SR 1020 (MILLER RD) AND DRIVE ABOUT 1.7 MILES TO THE SMALL PARKING LOT ON THE RIGHT. (SR 1020 IS A WINDING ROAD AND AT AN ALMOST T INTERSECTION, TURN RIGHT TO STAY ON SR 1020.) IF YOU REACH THE BRIDGE, YOU HAVE GONE TOO FAR. THE PARKING LOT IS JUST BEFORE YOU REACH THE BRIDGE OVER WOLF CREEK.

**MEETING**

**APRIL 14, MONDAY, 7:15 P.M. PLANTS OF THE SHALE BARRENS BY MARTHA OLIVER.** LEARN ABOUT NATIVE SHALE BARRENS PLANTS FROM PA, WV AND MD AND HOW TO GROW THEM LOCALLY.

**Environmental Book Club**

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**CHRISS O'LAKE** [COLARE@COMCAST.NET](mailto:COLARE@COMCAST.NET)  
MEET AT THE PANERA ON MCKNIGHT ROAD THIRD MONDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:30 P.M.

**MARCH 17: THE WORLD UNTIL YESTERDAY BY JARED DIAMOND PARTS 4 AND 5**

**APRIL 21: STOLEN WORLD BY JENNIE ERIN SMITH**

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**APRIL 5, SATURDAY, 6:00 P.M.**  
**AMPHIBIANS OF THE NIGHT.** MEET NATURALIST, APRIL CLAUS AT FERN HOLLOW NATURE CENTER TO LEARN ABOUT AMPHIBIANS. GET UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL WITH DIFFERENT AMPHIBIANS. THEN VENTURE OVER TO SEWICKLEY HEIGHTS BOROUGH PARK FOR A NIGHT HIKE TO A VERNAL POND TO LISTEN FOR FROG CALLS AND LOOK FOR AMPHIBIAN EGG MASSES. TO REGISTER CONTACT APRIL CLAUS AT 412-741-7536. \$5 / \$15 OR \$10 / \$25. DON'T FORGET YOUR BOOTS.

**Three Rivers Birding Club**

JIM VALIMONT, PRESIDENT

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**MEETING**

**APRIL 2, WEDNESDAY, 7:30 P.M.**  
**WHERE HAVE ALL OUR WHIP-POOR-WILLS GONE? BY PATRICK SNICKLES,** PENNSYLVANIA GAME COMMISSION WCO IN INDIANA COUNTY. MEET AT THE PHIPPS GARDEN CENTER, 1059 SHADY AVENUE IN SHADYSIDE.

**OUTINGS**

**MARCH 23, SUNDAY, 8:00 A.M.**  
**MORAINES STATE PARK, LEADERLESS.** MEET AT THE MORAINES STATE PARK DAY USE AREA (SOUTH SHORE) IN THE FIRST PARKING LOT ON THE RIGHT.

**MARCH 19 AND 26, WEDNESDAYS, 6:30 P.M.**  
**WOODCOCK WALK BY TOM BYRNES.** MEET AT THE PARKING LOT BEHIND THE PRIMANTI BROTHERS - HARMAR RESTAURANT OFF THE HARMAR EXIT 11 OF ROUTE 28. CARPOOL A SHORT DISTANCE TO A FIELD IN HARMAR TWP. THAT HAS PRODUCED LOTS OF AMERICAN WOODCOCK IN THE PAST. BE PREPARED FOR A MUDDY WALK AND BRING A FLASHLIGHT. BEFORE GOING TO THE FIELD, WE WILL CHECK THE GREAT BLUE HERON NEST.

**MARCH 29, SATURDAY 8:00 A.M.**  
**PYMATUNING AREA BY BOB VAN NEWKIRK.** MEET AT THE PYMATUNING WILDLIFE LEARNING CENTER (WATERFOWL MUSEUM) AT FOR THIS ALL DAY OUTING. TAKE I-79 NORTH TO ROUTE 6, AND GO WEST TO LINESVILLE. TURN LEFT AT THE LIGHT IN LINESVILLE WHERE THE SIGN POINTS TOWARD THE PYMATUNING SPILLWAY. THE SIGN FOR THE CENTER WILL BE ON THE LEFT, PAST THE FISH HATCHERY AND BEFORE THE SPILLWAY. BRING LUNCH OR EAT AT A LOCAL RESTAURANT. DRESS APPROPRIATELY FOR THE WEATHER.

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OUTINGS CHAIR JUDY STARK

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**APRIL 19, SATURDAY, 1:00 P.M.**  
**DUFF PARK, BY LOREE SPEEDY.**

**DIRECTIONS:** FROM PITTSBURGH, TAKE I-376 EAST (PARKWAY EAST) TO ITS END AT US 22 EAST - MURRYSVILLE. TRAVEL US 22 FOR 5 MILES TO A TRAFFIC LIGHT AND SHEETZ AT SCHOOL ROAD. TURN RIGHT ONTO SCHOOL ROAD, TRAVELING ABOUT 1/8 OF A MILE, CROSS THE BRIDGE OVER TURTLE CREEK, AND PARK IN THE PARKING LOT ON THE RIGHT.

**MAY 3, SATURDAY, 10:00 A.M.**  
**FOXBURG, CLARION COUNTY BY DIANNE MACHESNEY**  
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C: (412) 523-0368; H: (412) 366-7869 DIRECTIONS: 8N THROUGH BUTLER TO 68N TO 268 N THROUGH THE TOWN OF PARKER. TURN RIGHT OVER THE FOXBURG BRIDGE. TAKE FIRST RIGHT AFTER THE BRIDGE INTO THE PARKING LOT. GO TO THE FAR END AND PARK. IF USING GPS, USE THE ADDRESS FOR THE FOXBURG INN: 20 MAIN STREET, FOXBURG, PA 16036.

**MAY 24, SATURDAY, 10:00 A.M.**  
**PRESTON PARK, BUTLER BY DAVE HELTZELL.** DIRECTIONS: TRAVEL I-79 NORTH TO EXIT 83 - PA 528 TOWARD EVANS CITY. TRAVEL PA 528 NORTH FOR 2.6 MILES TO A T. TURN RIGHT AT THE T AND CONTINUE EAST ON PA 68 FOR 9 MILES TO WHITESTOWN RD (THE FIRST TRAFFIC LIGHT AFTER THE BUTLER FARM SHOW ON THE RIGHT). TURN RIGHT ONTO WHITESTOWN RD AND CONTINUE 1 MILE TO TURN RIGHT ONTO SOUTH EBERHART ROAD. PARK ENTRANCE WILL BE ON THE LEFT. THE GPS ADDRESS IS 415 SOUTH EBERHART ROAD, BUTLER, PA 16001.

**JUNE 28, SATURDAY, 10:00 A.M.**  
**MARKLEYSBURG BOG, FAYETTE COUNTY BY LOREE SPEEDY,** 724-518-6022.