

Wissahickon Nature Club

GUEST SPEAKER

SEPTEMBER 18, THURSDAY, 7:30 P.M. ELAINE MAYOWSKI WILL PRESENT DOG TRAINING. ELAINE WILL BRING HER SHETLAND SHEEPDOGS TO TEACH US THE BASICS OF OBEDIENCE AND AGILITY DOG TRAINING. SHELTYES ARE COMFORTABLE WITH AGILITY DUE TO THEIR INTELLIGENCE, SPEED, AND DEXTERITY. TRAINING FOR AGILITY IS ONE OF THE BEST WAYS FOR YOU AND YOUR PET TO BOND AND EXERCISE TOGETHER. THROUGH CONSISTENT TRAINING, ANY DOG OWNER WILL NOTICE HOW THEIR DOG IS MORE ALERT TO YOUR DAY TO DAY COMMANDS.



Photo courtesy of Elaine Mayowski

DON'T MISS OUR NEXT MEETING. ON OCTOBER 2, THURSDAY, 7:30 P.M. BOBBY GREENE WILL PRESENT BIRDING. BOBBY'S FATHER INTRODUCED HIM TO THE ART OF PHOTOGRAPHY AT A YOUNG AGE. ADVANCES INTO THE DIGITAL WORLD GAVE HIM THE ITCH TO GET BACK INTO PHOTOGRAPHY AFTER A 20-YEAR ABSENCE. THIS TIME HE'S PHOTOGRAPHING NATURE. FOR A SNEAK-PEEK ABOUT THIS PROGRAM VISIT BOBBY'S WEBSITE AT www.bobbygreene.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TREASURER'S REPORT ACCORDING TO TREASURER DIANNE MACHESNEY:

PREVIOUS BALANCE	\$1003.91
DEPOSITS FOR DUES	72.00
DISBURSEMENTS:	
WEBSITE RENEWAL 2 YRS.	89.57
FHNC DONATION	300.00
WINE/CHEESE RECEPTION	38.62
CURRENT BALANCE:	\$647.72

ANNUAL DUES ARE DUE IN SEPTEMBER

INDIVIDUAL \$7.00
FAMILY \$10.00

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: WISSAHICKON NATURE CLUB

MAIL TO:
DIANNE MACHESNEY, TREASURER
105 LINDLEY LANE, PITTSBURGH,
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WORTH REPEATING

WHEN I LOOK AT AMERICA, ALSO MY OWN HOMELAND (SOUTH AMERICA), SO MANY FORESTS, ALL CUT, THAT HAVE BECOME LAND ... THAT CAN NO LONGER GIVE LIFE. THIS IS OUR SIN, EXPLOITING THE EARTH AND NOT ALLOWING HER TO HER GIVE US WHAT SHE HAS WITHIN HER.

POPE FRANCIS

Officers

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CELEBRATE NATURE !



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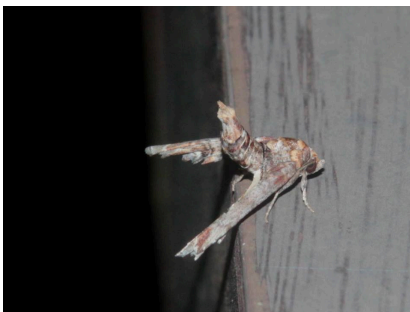
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Outings

September 20, Saturday, 10:00, a.m. Raccoon Creek Wildflower Reserve Beaver County by Shane Miller.

October 26, Saturday, Native Plant and Sustainability Conference, Phipps Garden Center Mellon Park highlighted by Jim McCormac <http://jimmccormac.blogspot.com/>

For details visit phippconservatory.org/exhibits-and-events/



Dark Marathyssa Moth, by Chuck Tague

Environmental Book Club

Kim Metheny kmetheny@hotmail.com
Chriss O'Lare colare@outlook.com

Meet at the Panera on McKnight Road.

Upcoming Book

October 20, Monday, 7:30 p.m. Zoo Story.

Three Rivers Birding Club

Bob VanNewkirk, President

412-366-1694

www.3rbc.org

Meeting

October 1, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. A Great Arctic Adventure Awaits Us by Lukas Padegimas. Phipps Garden Center, 1059 Shady Avenue in Shadyside.

Outings

September 19, Friday 11:00 a.m. Allegheny Front Hawk Watch. The date should be near the peak of Broad-winged Hawk migration and many other raptor species can be expected. Meet at the Hawk Watch. Directions to the site are located on the 3RBC website www.3RBC.org. Bring a lunch and dress warmly. Be prepared for changes in the weather! Allow 2 hours drive time from Pittsburgh.

September 20, Saturday, 8:00 a.m. Presque Isle State Park by Bob VanNewkirk for fall migrants. Meet in the first parking lot (Vista 1) on the right as you enter the park. The park is at the north end of Route 832 just west of the city of Erie. Bring a lunch.

September 20, Saturday, 8:00 a.m. Frick Park by Sue and Jack Solomon. Meet at the **Blue Slide Park entrance** to Frick Park, at the corner of Beechwood Boulevard and Nicholson Street in Squirrel Hill. There's only street parking at the new location. Fall warblers and other migrants are our targets.

September 27, Saturday, 8:00 a.m. Harrison Hills. Meet leader **Jim Valimont** at this county park off Freeport Road between Natrona Heights and Freeport. Meet at the Rachel Carson parking lot near the pond. As you enter the park, bear right and proceed to the parking lot at the end of the road. Dress for wet grass and mud. Previous fall outings have produced a nice variety of fall migrants, including warblers, and vireos.



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Registration required for programs.

September 20, Saturday, Fall Music Festival. \$10 / \$25 or \$20 / 35.

September 27, Saturday, 1:00 p.m. Local Mushrooms by Ann Berger. Meet at FHNC for a presentation, then continue to Sewickley Heights Borough Park to look for fungi. \$5 / \$15 or \$10 / \$25.

October 11, Saturday, 5:00 pm. Family Fishing. Join FHNC's certified fishing skills instructors for a fun Family Fishing program. Meet at the Nature Center then car pool to **Soggy Bottom Lake**, a private residence on Fern Hollow Road, to fish for Blue Gills, Bass, Carp, and Sunfish. Fern Hollow will provide all of the equipment necessary through our grant from the PA Fish and Boat Commission. \$15 / \$5.



Swallow-tailed Kite by Chuck Tague