

# Wissahickon Nature Club

**Guest Speaker**  
**WCO Thomas E. Kline**



Photo by Chuck Tague

**March 9, 7:30 PM. WCO Thomas E. Kline** will present **Coyotes**. The Eastern Coyote is present in all 67 counties of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania from the mountains of the Poconos to the city suburbs of Pittsburgh. Tonight **Officer Kline** will educate us on the Eastern Coyote's traits, habitat and some common misconceptions.

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DON'T MISS OUR NEXT PROGRAM.

**March 23, Thursday, 7:30 PM. Mike Fialkovich** will present **Nature in Southern California**. From 234 ft. below sea level at the Salton Sea to just over 8000 ft. above sea level in the San Bernardino Mountains, the Channel Islands and deserts, **Mike's** program will show the wide variety of nature southern California has to offer.

## Announcements

**Treasurer's Report**  
According to Dianne Machesney,  
Treasurer 412.366.7869

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Previous balance:	889.56
Deposits: dues	85.00
New balance:	974.56

## In Memoriam

Pete McGuire (Janet McGuire's  
husband)

Blanche Berckbickler  
(John Berckbickler's wife)

Bob Allnock  
Purple Martin Landlord  
<http://www.mcdonald-aeberli.com/notices/Robert-Allnock>

## Worth Repeating

*Many eyes go through the meadow,  
but few see the flowers in it.*

--Ralph Waldo Emerson

Daylight Savings Time begins on  
March 12. It's time to "spring  
forward".

CELEBRATE NATURE!



Photo by Don Weiss

**Botanical Society of Western Pennsylvania**

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**Meeting**

Meetings are held in the Ford-Mateer Classroom of Carnegie Museum.

**Dave Koenig**, Program Chair  
**Field Trips**

- March 26**, Saturday, 1:00 PM. **Herminie's Little Sewickley Creek** by **Loree Speedy**
- April 1**, Saturday, 10:00 AM. **Cedar Creek Gorge** by **Judy Stark**
- April 9** Sunday, 1:00 PM. **Crouse Run**, Allegheny County by **Adam Haritan**

**Environmental Book Club**

**Kim Metheny**  
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**Chriss O'Lare**  
[colare@outlook.com](mailto:colare@outlook.com)

**Upcoming Book**

**March 20**, Monday, 7:30 PM. **A Buzz in the Meadow** by **Dave Goulson**. Meet at the southern-most Panera on McKnight Road.

**Fern Hollow Nature Center**

1901 Glen Mitchell Road  
Sewickley, PA 15143  
412.741.6136 **April Claus, Naturalist**  
<http://www.fhnc.org/>

- March 4**, Saturday, 8:30 AM. **Maple sugar Celebration and Pancake Breakfast**. \$7/\$5 or \$9/\$7. **Registration required.**
- March 26**, Sunday, 1:00 PM **Introduction to Beekeeping** by **Steve Repasky** of **Meadow Sweet Apiaries**. Learn the intricacies of the fabulous world of the honeybee and beekeeping. \$25/\$30. **Registration required.**

**Kate St. John Outside My Window Outings** 412.421.1566

[www.birdsoutsidemymywindow.org/events/](http://www.birdsoutsidemymywindow.org/events/)

- March 19**, Sunday, 8:30 AM. **Duck Hollow and Lower Frick Park Bird and Nature Walk**. Meet at Duck Hollow parking lot at the end of Old Browns Hill Road.
- April 30**, Sunday, 8:00 AM. (note the early start) **Schenley Park Bird Walk** in conjunction with **Three Rivers Birding Club**. Meet at Bartlett Shelter on Bartlett Street near Panther Hollow Road.

**Three Rivers Birding Club**

**Bob VanNewkirk**, President  
412.366.1694 [www.3rbc.org](http://www.3rbc.org)  
**Outings**

- Steve Thomas**, Outings Director
- March 19**, Sunday, 8:00 AM. **Moraine State Park**. Meet at the Moraine State Park day use area (south shore) in the first parking lot on the right.
- March 22 and March 29**, Wednesdays, 6:30 PM. **Woodcock Walk**. Meet **Tom Byrnes** at the Ladbroskes (now The Meadows) parking lot behind the Primanti Brothers restaurant off the Harmar exit 11 of Route 28. We will carpool and drive to a field in Harmar Township that has produced lots of American Woodcock.
- March 26**, Sunday, 8:00 AM. **Pymatuning Area**. Meet **Bob Van Newkirk** at the Pymatuning Wildlife Learning Center at for this all day outing.

**Western Pennsylvania Mushroom Club**

[wpamushroomclub.org](http://wpamushroomclub.org)  
**Cecily Franklin** <[cs4wpmc@gmail.com](mailto:cs4wpmc@gmail.com)>  
**Meeting**

**March 21**, Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. **ALT's mission and the properties it maintains** by **Jessica Kester**, VP of Education for the **Allegheny Land Trust**. Beechwood Farms Nature Reserve, 614 Dorseyville Road. The meeting is free and includes a mushroom display table, staffed by expert identifiers.

**Walks**

- March 18**, Saturday, 10:00 a.m. at South Park. Meet WPMC Mycologist La Monte Yarroll at the South Park Nature Center. Free.
- March 25**, Saturday, 10:00 a.m. **Wingfield Pines**, Mayview Road, Upper St. Clair by WPMC Mycologist **Jim Tunney** Join the Allegheny Land Trust Stewardship and Education staff for the first of four BioBlitzes. Meet in the parking lot for a walk to identify as many species of fungus as possible. Free.

**Wissahickon Nature Club Outings**

**Judy Stark, Outings Coordinator**

[stark2@aol.com](mailto:stark2@aol.com)

412.327.9537

**April 1**, Saturday, 10:00 AM. **Cedar Creek Gorge** by **Wissahickon Nature Club, Judy Stark**.

**April 22**, Saturday, 9:30 AM. **Raccoon Creek State Park**, Joint bird, wildflower walk and picnic with the **Brooks Bird Club**. Meet **Ryan Tomazin (412.220.9726, (wvwarblers@hotmail.com))** at the **Roadside Picnic Area West**. We will drive to the beach and around the lake after checking out the picnic parking lot area. Potluck lunch will be between 12:30-1:00. Please bring a dish to feed 6-10 people (at least), and bring your own plates, cutlery and drinks.

**April 30**, Sunday, 10:00 AM. **Enlow Fork** by **Wheeling Creek Watershed Conservancy** [enlowfork.tripod.com](http://enlowfork.tripod.com)

**May 20**, Saturday, 10:00 AM. **Ferncliffe** by **Botanical Society**.

**Loree Speedy**  
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724.518.6022.

**June 3**, Saturday, 10:00 AM. **Buzzard Swamp, Wissahickon Outing** by **Dianne and Bob Machesney**. 412.523.0368 or [dianne15237@aol.com](mailto:dianne15237@aol.com)

**July 8**, Saturday, 10:00 AM. **Sandy Lake Wissahickon Outing** by **Dianne and Bob Machesney**. 412-523-0368 or [dianne15237@aol.com](mailto:dianne15237@aol.com)

**July 29**, Saturday, 10:00 AM. **Jennings Prairie, Wissahickon Nature Club**.

**September 16**, Saturday, 10:00 AM. **Moraine State Park, Wissahickon Nature Club** by **Judy Stark**

*For details please contact appropriate Trip Leader.*