Wissahickon Nature Club

Tonight's Speaker is Mike Fialkovich



Bear Lake Rocky Mt. National Park by Mike Fialkovich

Nature in Colorado

From the mountains to the prairies, **Mike**Fialkovich will show the amazing array of nature
and scenery he experienced during a trip to the
Pawnee National Grasslands and Rocky Mountain
National Park in Colorado last June.

Announcements

Treasurer's Report

According to Dianne Machesney, Treasurer 412.366.7869

Worth Repeating

Listen to the wind, it talks. Listen to the silence, it speaks. Listen to your heart, it knows.

Native American Proverb

Hospitality Chair Unfortunately we lost Joel Platt last summer and need a volunteer who will take on his duties. Please contact Monica or Dianne.

December 14 will also be the night of our Annual Holiday, Christmas Party and Cookie Exchange. Bring a friend or three.

Thank you Mike Fialkovich for filling in at the last minute. You are an invaluable asset to our Club.

Thursday, December 14, 7:30 pm. Monica Miller and Don Weiss will present Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Park, the Crown Jewels of the National Park System. The wildlife, scenery, and thermal features are like no other place in North America, or the world. They saw weather from the 20's and snow, to the mid 70's and cloudless sunshine. They saw wildlife from ground squirrels to a grizzly with cubs. Flowers were everywhere and the snow-capped mountains inspired and impressed. Join Monica and Don for a trip through the Serengeti of North America, the world's first national park, and the most beautiful scenery this country has to offer.

CELEBRATE NATURE!



Photo by Chuck Tague

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Meetings

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

Dave Koenig , Program Chair Monday, November 13, 7:15 p.m. Moraine State Park from a Different Point of View by Polly Shaw, the author of a new book titled Moraine State Park, released by Arcadia Publishing on March 20. The topic is botany of the park, using aspects drawn from the book. Come and take a look at Moraine State Park from a different point of view. Her book will be available for sale (\$20) at the meeting.

Monday, December 11, 7:15 p.m. Annual Holiday Party. Our Wild Foods Holiday Party will be held at the usual meeting time in the Ford-Mateer classroom at Carnegie Museum of Natural History.

Bring an assortment of foods made from something found in the wild. Appetizers, cookies, candies, fruits, and berries — a challenge for the most daring and creative. Join us with or without a wild food offering.

This is also Member's Night. After feasting, we'll share our botanical sightings over the year. A member can bring up to 12 slides or digital photos. A slide projector and a digital video projector will be available.

Fern Hollow Nature Center

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

Enjoy a night on the town while FHNC entertains the kids. They'll take hikes, make crafts and explore. Ages 5 - 10. \$12 / \$15. Registration required. Bring a peanut-free snack.

Tuesday, Friday and Saturday nights from October 6 to December 2, 7:00 pm. **Project Owlnet.** Meet **Bob Mulvihill** at Sewickley Heights Borough Park. www.aviary.org/project-owlnet

Friday, November 17, 6:00 pm. Night hike and star gazing.

Friday, December 15, 6:00 pm. Make some nature crafts to give as Holiday gifts.

Kate St. John Outside My Window Outings 412.421.1566

www.birdsoutsidemywindow.org/events/ **Friday November 17,** 10:00 am.

Audubon Day at Hillman Library: The Story of Peregrine Falcons at Pitt: The Dynasty Continues

Why do peregrine falcons nest at the University of Pittsburgh's Cathedral of Learning? Where did they come from and where do they go? Come to the University of Pittsburgh's annual Audubon Day at Hillman Library on November 17 where Kate will tell the story of Pitt's peregrine falcons.

For more details Visit www.birdsoutsidemywindow.org/events/

Happy Thanksgiving Everybody

Three Rivers Birding Club

Bob VanNewkirk, President 412.366.1694 www.3rbc.org

Meetings

Wednesday, December 6, 6:30 pm. Annual Slide-Slam featuring photos taken by our members - always a treat.

Wednesday, February 7, 6:30 pm. David Yeany, Conservation Planning Specialist at the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy

Wednesday, April 4, 6:30 pm. Tom Stephenson, one of the authors of *The Warbler Guide* Outings

Steve Thomas, Outings Director Sunday, November 19, 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 atThis will be a leaderless outing. From I-79, take route 422 east toward Butler and exit at the Moraine State Park exit. When you reach the end of the ramp turn left and travel straight into the park until you see the first major parking area on your right. Water fowl and late fall migrants make this outing a highlight of the season. Allow one hour driving from Pittsburgh.

Western Pennsylvania Mushroom Club

wpamushroomclub.org.

Cecily Franklin <<u>cs4wpmc@gmail.com</u>> Mushroom Walks

Saturday, November 11, 10:00 a.m Robin Hill Park, 949 Thorn Run Road, Moon Township. Meet WPMC Identifier Sarah Banach in the parking lot at Robin Hill Park. Free.

Saturday, November 18, 10:00 a.m. Mingo Creek County Park, Washington County. Meet WPMC Identifier Jared White at the Ebenezer covered bridge near the East Entrance on Mingo Creek Road. Free.