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Mission of Love Food Bank
 Every Tuesday- Food Bank Program 555 North Main St., Bangor, 10am-12pm. All are invited Bilingual Services. Pastor Frank Pons. (570) 807-7794

**Explore Warren County Tourism at:
 ExploreWarren.org**

Located at 165 County Route 519 South - Belvidere, NJ 07823 908-475-6580 / 800-554-8540

Portland Upper Mt. Bethel Food Bank

Located at 111 State St. Portland Pa. and until further notice the PUMP will be open every Monday as normal, AM AND PM: 10 to 11:30 am & 6:00 to 7:30 pm but will deliver food to your car as your number is called in the parking lot. No one but workers will be allowed to go inside. There will be no access to restrooms. Your cooperation during this difficult time is greatly appreciated.

Biking

Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area - River Road Bushkill, PA (570) 426-2452 Levee Loop Trail - Biking East Stroudsburg, PA (570) 426-1512 info@srosr.org

BIKE TRAIN

ALL ABOARD THE SCENIC BIKE TRAIN!

Hop on the Bike Train and step back in time. Enjoy a relaxing 25 mile train ride through the Lehigh Gorge. Then, pedal your bike back down to Jim Thorpe at your own pace along the Lehigh Gorge Rail Trail.

Advance Tickets/reservations Are Required For The Bike Train And Can Be Made By Calling The Blue Mountain & Northern Railroad (Aka Lehigh Gorge Scenic Railway) Directly At

Wineries in the Poconos

Pocono wineries offer a unique and relaxing getaway.

Tour a winery and unwind while sampling the many varieties of vintages available at our vineyards. From hip downtown wine bars like RAW Urban Winery & Hard Cidery , Tolino Vineyards and Wild Elder Wine and Cider Co. to scenic properties like Mountain View Vineyard Winery and Sorrenti Cherry Valley Vineyards where rows of grapes are spread out on the hill before you, these wineries are located throughout our four-county region, so a Pocono vineyard experience is close to you no matter where you travel.

Pocono wine tours, wine tastings and special wine pairing events and dinners make it easy to discover new, locally-crafted, one-of-a-kind flavors. Check out specials at Three Hammers Winery in Hawley, Soaked Winery in Milford, Eagles Rest Cellars in Stroudsburg and Wine & More on 1st in Lehighton. Whether looking for a bachelorette party or relaxing with your spouse, browse the wineries in the Poconos below to

plan the perfect wine trip.
<https://www.poconomountains.com/things-to-do/nightlife-spirits/wineries/>

Washington Township Vol. Fire Co., will once again be offering takeout meals every second Saturday from 4-6pm on the following months and dinners listed below. All dinners have to be ordered and paid by the first Saturday of the month by calling 610-588-2113 or 610-588-6417. Meals can be picked-up at the firehouse at 920 Washington Blvd. Bangor.

October-Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Corn, Tossed Salad, Dinner Roll, Butter and choice of Chocolate or Vanilla Cake both with White Icing. \$15.00

November- Baked Country Sausage and Sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes, Apple Sauce, Dinner Roll, Butter and Carrott Cake (may contain nuts) *Cost to be posted soon

January- Rueben Sandwich or Roast Beef Club Sandwich, Cup of Sausage Potato Soup and Slice of Cherry Pie *Cost to be posted soon

March- Ham, Mac&Cheese, Green Beans, Apple Sauce, and Snicker Doodle Cookie

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Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center

Community Programs, March 2023

Fishing Equipment Available

When: Monday thru Friday, 8:00am to 2:30pm

Where: Jacobsburg Visitor Center, 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth

New this year, we now loan fly fishing equipment! Borrow fly rods, spinning rods, fly boxes, and tackle to use in Jacobsburg's creeks! To borrow equipment, you must provide a driver's license or other form of state issued identification. Persons age 16 and older must possess a current fishing license to fish. Adults can help children under

16 fish without a license. Bait is not provided. For more information call 610-746-2801 or email jacobsburgsp@pa.gov.

gov.

Friday, March 24 at 6:30am to 8:00pm

The 'sky dance' or courtship display of the American Woodcock is a spectacle which is known to take place at Jacobsburg each year. This program will cover some of the interesting biology of the American Woodcock followed by a quiet meander at sunset as we look and listen for these twirling courtship flights. Registration is required.

Trees in Early Spring

Saturday, March 25 at 3:00pm to 4:30pm

Join us to learn how to identify trees without their leaves. We'll use bark, buds, branches, and other clues to help us differentiate common species found growing in Pennsylvania. Please wear warm layers and comfortable walking shoes. Registration is required.

Celestial Wildlife

Saturday, March 25 at 7:30pm to 9:30pm

Registration is required. Registrants will be contacted with the meeting location prior to the event.

Weekly Weeders

Thursday, March 30 at 8:30am to 10:30am

Interested in learning more about gardening with native plants? Volunteer to work alongside our education staff as they mulch, pull weeds, divide plants, and amend soil in the center's native plant garden. We provide instruction, tools, and weeding mats. Registration is required.

Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center Community Programs, April 2023

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When: Monday thru Friday, 8:00am to 2:30pm

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DiscoverE Adventure Backpacks Available

When: Monday thru Friday, 8:00am to 2:30pm

Where: Jacobsburg Visitor Center, 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth

Borrow a backpack full of kid-friendly tools to explore Jacobsburg! These backpacks are best for families with young children. Each backpack includes binoculars, notepad, colored pencils, magnifying lens, bug box, dip net, and five field guides for exploring the pond, insects, birds, trees, butterflies and moths. For more information call 610-746-2801 or email jacobsburgsp@pa.gov.

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Thursday, April 6, 13, 20, & 27 at

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Hike for Health

Wednesday, April 12 at 5:30pm to 7:00pm

Get moving after work with a brisk hike at Jacobsburg! These guided monthly hikes are 2 to 2.5 miles over uneven terrain. Dogs are welcome to hike on a leash. Meet at the Visitor Center flagpole at 400 Belfast Road. Registration is not required. Join the email reminder list by contacting us at 610-746-2801 or jacobsburgsp@pa.gov. Registration is not required.

Geocaching for Scouts

Saturday, April 15 at 10:00am to 11:30am

Learn how to use a hand-held Geographical Positioning System Unit (GPS) to find hidden caches at Jacobsburg! This program is best for scouts ages 10 and up and will teach them the basic skills and ethics of geocaching. Registration is required for anyone planning to participate in the program.

Signs of Spring Hike

Saturday, April 15 at 1:30pm to 3:30pm

Looking for a way to beat the winter doldrums? Join us as we search for wildflowers, new plant growth, migrating birds and other signs of spring. Be prepared for a moderate hike that may involve muddy slopes and uphill climbs. Please bring binoculars, a camera, water and a snack, and wear sturdy shoes. Registration is required.

Woodland Wildflower Walk

Wednesday, April 19 at 1:00pm to 2:30pm

Join conservation volunteer Doug Burton for a one-mile hike in Sobers Run to learn about the early spring blooms scattered throughout the forest. Please wear sturdy shoes and dress for the weather. Registration is required.

Earth Day Tree Planting

Saturday, April 22 at 10:00am to 11:00am, 11:00am to 12:00pm, 12:00pm to 1:00pm, 1:00pm to 2:00pm, or 2:00pm to 3:00pm

Sign up to celebrate Earth Day with us! Choose an hour-long time slot and meet us in front of the visitor center at the hour you have chosen. You will have an opportunity to learn about invasive species and their ecological impacts, and then replace one with a native sapling. This conservation project aims to strengthen the riparian buffer along the Bushkill Creek and provide habitat for wildlife. Tools and instruction will be provided. In the event we run out

of saplings to plant, there are always invasive plants to remove. Please wear sturdy shoes and dress for the weather. Registration is required.

Announcing Summer Day Camps for Young People:

Registration for summer camp programs will open at 9:00am on April 3, 2023. Registration will be online only.

DiscoverE Hide 'n Seekers (Age 5 only): Neature Detectives

Tuesday, June 13, 20, & 27 at 9:30am to 11:30am

The world is full of all sorts of exciting things to explore! Come see how much fun learning about nature can be. Campers will learn about things that fly, water dwellers, and life in the undergrowth. This program will prepare campers that have aged out of Tales for Tots for Outdoor Explorers. Campers must be accompanied by an adult each day of camp. This camp is on three Tuesdays: June 13th, June 20th, and June 27th from 9:30am - 11:30am each

day. Your child will be enrolled for all three Tuesdays. There is a non-refundable \$15.00 registration fee for this camp. Registration for this program will open at 9:00am on April 3, 2023.

Registration will be online only. Environmental Stewardship for Youth Leaders Day Camp (Ages 13-18)

Tuesday, June 13 to Friday, June 16 at 9:00am to 3:00pm

Get your feet wet in the field of waterways conservation and learn to lead projects that make a difference in our world! Teens ages 13-18 will participate in science-based activities that focus on local watersheds and waterways with plenty of opportunities to learn leadership skills, get hands-on with field investigations and a stream-side service project along the Bushkill Creek. Upon completion of this free program, participants will receive a certificate and are eligible for 4 community service hours.

There is no fee to attend this camp.

This camp begins on Tuesday, June 13th and ends on Friday, June 16th and will be from 9:00am - 3:00pm each day. Registration for this program will open at 9:00am on April 3, 2023. Registration will be online only.

DiscoverE Outdoor Explorers (Ages 6-8): From the Ground Up!

Tuesday, July 11 to Friday, July 14 at 9:00am to 12:00pm

From the critters beneath our feet to the ones high in the sky, we will try to discover them all!

This camp begins on Tuesday, July 11th and ends on Friday, July 14th and will be from 9:00am - 12:00pm each day. There is a non-refundable \$25.00 registration fee for this camp. Registration for this program will open at 9:00am on April 3, 2023. Registration will be online only.

DiscoverE Penn's Adventurers (Ages 9-12): Jacobsburg Past & Present

Tuesday, July 11 to Friday, July 14 at 9:00am to 12:00pm

Have you ever wondered what the early settlers of the Lehigh Valley did for fun? Join us for a week filled with all sorts of recreational activities from the past and present. There will be lots of fun things to do including archery, geocaching and much more! This camp begins on Tuesday, July 11th and ends on Friday, July 14th and will be from 9:00am - 12:00pm each day. There is a non-refundable \$25.00 registration fee for this camp. Registration for this program will open at 9:00am on April 3, 2023. Registration will be online only.

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