

# Pennypack Greenway

*Here is a sampling of events for you to enjoy in the Pennypack Greenway*

## *Experience nature's living room*

**50th Anniversary Of the Pennypack Bird Sanctuary Celebration**  
Sunday, February 24 at 1:00 pm.



**Maple Sugar Festival at Fox Chase Farm** - Saturday, March 1 Noon - 4:00 p.m.

**Pennypack Creek Clean-Up**  
Saturday, April 19, 10:00 a.m. - Noon



**Pennypack Trust Bat Workshop**  
Saturday, May 3, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

**Providing our Fish a Lift: Rock-Ramp Fishways on the Pennypack**  
Saturday, June 14, 9 - 11 a.m.

**Incredible Insects Nature Walk at Lorimer Park**  
Sunday, July 13 2:00 p.m

**Tour of Pennypack Creek Headwaters with Trout Unlimited**  
Saturday, August 2 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.



**Audubon at Home: Healthy Yards, Healthy Watershed**  
Tuesday, September 16, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

**Applefest at Fox Chase Farm**  
Saturday, October 18, Noon-4:00 p.m.

### **50th Anniversary Of the Pennypack Bird Sanctuary Celebration**

Sunday, February 24 at 1:00 p.m.

Join Pennypack Environmental Center to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Pennypack Bird Sanctuary. The celebration includes speakers along with bird walks and the popular Owl Prowl in search of our resident Great Horned Owls. Please call 215-685-0470 for more information. Light refreshments will be served.

#### **Location:**

Pennypack Environmental Center  
8600A Verree Rd, Philadelphia, PA 19115  
<http://www.fairmountpark.org/PennypackEC.asp>

### **Maple Sugar Festival at Fox Chase Farm**

Saturday, March 1 12:00 noon - 4:00 p.m.

Try something different – and sweet! Learn the process of maple sugaring, watch the making of maple candy, and sample pancakes with pure maple syrup. Join a sugaring tour or catch up with storytelling in the hay barn. Maple products will also be for sale.

\$3 admission

#### **Location:**

Fox Chase Farm  
8500 Pine Road, Philadelphia, PA 19111  
Tel 215-685-0470 [www.foxchasefarm.org](http://www.foxchasefarm.org)

### **Pennypack Creek Clean-Up**

Saturday, April 19, 10:00 a.m. - noon.

Join over 200 other volunteers who gather annually at the Pennypack Ecological Restoration Trust to remove trash from the central section of Pennypack Creek and its tributaries. Bring work gloves and waterproof footwear. Your hard work will be rewarded with a feeling of great satisfaction for a job well done and a free lunch back at the Trust's visitors' center.

Pre-registration is required by calling 215.657.0830 by Friday, April 18. Free program.

#### **Location:**

Pennypack Ecological Restoration Trust  
2955 Edge Hill Road. Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006  
[www.pennypacktrust.org](http://www.pennypacktrust.org)

### **Pennypack Trust Bat Workshop**

Saturday, May 3, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. (Rain date May 4)

John Chenger, a world renowned bat expert with Bat Conservation and Management, will present a program on bats of the Pennypack Creek valley at the Pennypack Ecological Restoration Trust. The evening will begin with a PowerPoint presentation about bats in the visitors' center, and then (weather permitting) participants will be invited to join John in the field to capture bats in mist nets and to identify the species caught.

Program is strictly limited to 30 participants, and pre-registration is required by Friday, May 2 by calling 215.657.0830. Pennypack Trust members: free; non-members: \$5.

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**Providing our Fish a Lift: Rock-Ramp Fishways on the Pennypack Creek**

Saturday, June 14, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Manmade dams and utility pipes crossing our creeks inhibit migratory fish and other aquatic organisms from completing their natural upstream journeys. By removing dams or installing fishways, native fish and other species can be re-established throughout the watershed, enhancing the ecology of our stream systems. Philadelphia Water Department biologists and restoration staff will provide a tour of the fishway recently constructed on a sewer crossing on the Pennypack Creek, and discuss the exciting movement of dam removal and fishway construction all along the Pennypack. Biological assessments of the Pennypack Creek, including aquatic life, water quality and stormwater challenges to the stream, will also be shared, using the Pennypack Creek as an outdoor classroom.

**Meeting Place:** Parking area on the Pennypack Creek at Frankford and Solly Avenues.

Registration: Via e-mail to [joanne.dahme@phila.gov](mailto:joanne.dahme@phila.gov)

More info: [www.phillyriverinfo.org](http://www.phillyriverinfo.org)

**Incredible Insects Nature Walk at Lorimer Park**

Sunday, July 13 2:00 p.m.

Love to hate those summer bugs? Learn all about insects and their importance to our ecosystem. The butterfly garden at Lorimer Park will be at its peak, so come and join us on an insect search. Bring a bug jar and a net if you have one. Pre-registration required: 215.234.8497

**Location:**

Lorimer Park

183 Moredon Road. Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006

<http://www2.montcopa.org/parks/cwp/view,A,1517,Q,26405.asp>

**Tour of the Pennypack Creek Headwaters with Trout Unlimited**

Saturday, August 2nd 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Ever wonder where Pennypack Creek starts or what's being done to improve Pennypack Creek? Here's your chance to find out. Join Mike Wilson of Southeastern Montgomery County Chapter of Trout Unlimited on a tour of their Project Headwaters stormwater management and stream restoration project sites in the headwaters of the Pennypack Creek Watershed. Visit several sites in Horsham Township where Pennypack Creek begins, and see what is being done to improve conditions in the upper watershed. We'll see work that has already been completed, as well as work that will be done in near future. This program is limited to 20 participants, and pre-registration is required. Pre-registration call 215 342 5772.

**Location :**

Meet at Lukens Park

540 Dresher Road, Horsham, PA 19044

**Audubon at Home: Healthy Yards, Healthy Watershed**

Tuesday, September 16, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Join Audubon Pennsylvania's Audubon at Home Coordinator Steven Saffier for a discussion on the simple steps you can take on your property that will not only protect the Pennypack watershed but enhance it for birds, butterflies, & other beneficial wildlife. Learn how to restore the ecology of your yard, reduce maintenance time and costs, and enjoy a renewed connection with nature in a toxic-free environment that is vibrant and alive! Preregistration required by calling 215.657.0830 by Friday, September 12. Free program.

For information contact:

Steven Saffier, Audubon At Home Coordinator at [ssaffier@audubon.org](mailto:ssaffier@audubon.org) or 610.666.5593 x112

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Pennypack Ecological Restoration Trust

2955 Edge Hill Road

Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006

[www.pennypacktrust.org](http://www.pennypacktrust.org) and <http://pa.audubon.org>

**Applefest at Fox Chase Farm**

Saturday, October 18, 12:00-4:00pm

Enjoy a day of cider pressing, apple butter making, hayrides, games, pumpkin painting, music and more. Pumpkins, apples, apple butter and cider for sale. \$5.00 Adults & Teens - \$3.00 Children (Ages 3-12)

**Location:**

Fox Chase Farm

8500 Pine Road

Philadelphia, PA 19111

Tel 215-685-0470

[www.foxchasefarm.org](http://www.foxchasefarm.org)



The Pennypack Greenway Partnership is a group of nonprofit organizations and communities that work together to preserve, expand, and restore the natural areas along the Pennypack Creek. The Partnership is committed to linking the Greenway's neighborhoods and communities, improving water resources, enhancing recreational opportunities, and safeguarding the Greenway's natural and cultural heritage.

For more information about the Pennypack Greenway visit:

[www.pennypackgreenway.org](http://www.pennypackgreenway.org)