

# Lycoming County Watershed E-Notes 2015

March

## LCCD Annual Seedling Sale

Lycoming County Conservation District: Seedling Sale Brochure and Order Form are now available on the [LCCD Website](#).

We will be accepting orders, if available, until April 10, 2015. All orders must be paid for within 10 days of placing order.

Pickup date - Friday, April 17, 2015 Noon to 6:00 PM- County Farm Complex

## Fishing Pine Creek

The Susquehanna Chapter of Trout Unlimited meeting will be at 7:30 pm on March 11 in the Fellowship Hall of First Presbyterian Church at East Third and Mulberry Sets. in Williamsport. Dave Wonderlich will be presenting a program on fishing Pine Creek and neighboring streams in the Slate Run area, including the impact of the change in regulations on Pine Creek which allow all tackle bait fishing, but no-kill restrictions on trout. He will be describing the history of the Brown Trout Club and its efforts to restore quality trophy trout populations to Pine Creek. Dave is a knowledgeable local angler who produces the fishing blog and videos on the Slate Run Tackle Shop's website and newsletters. He will give perspectives on techniques and fish conservation initiatives that can significantly improve fishing experiences in this beautiful and popular area.

Slate Run Tackle Shop has donated an Orvis mid-arbor fly reel for 5-7 weight line which will be given away as a door prize at our meeting.

## Life of a Fisher

The Muncy Creek and Black Hole Creek Watershed Associations will host the meeting on March 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM, Hughesville Public Library

The meeting will feature local PA Game Commission, Wildlife Conservation Officer, Jonathan Wyant. Officer Wyant will provide an in-depth program on the re-introduction and life habits of the fisher, the second largest member of the weasel family found in Pennsylvania. The MCWA, BHCWA, and Hughesville Public Library hope you can join them in this informative program.

## LCCD Annual Awards Banquet

The Lycoming County Conservation District's Board of Directors cordially invites you to attend the **55<sup>th</sup> Annual Conservation Awards Banquet** on Tuesday, March 24, 2015, at the **Pennsdale Trinity United Methodist Church Hall**. The program begins at 6:30 PM with dinner served at 6:45 PM.

The entree will be a delicious ham dinner served family style with all the trimmings. Tickets are \$14.00. Please call the office at (570) 433-3003 to order tickets. Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> is the deadline to RSVP and purchase tickets. Make checks payable to: "Lycoming County Conservation District."

Please join us as we recognize our 2014 Cooperator of the Year, The Hamm Family Farm.

Following our awards ceremony, we are fortunate to have as our keynote speaker Paul H. Craig, State Program Leader for Field and Forage Crop of the Penn State Cooperative Extension. The topic for his presentation is the "History of Cooperative Extension, Celebrating 100 Years!"

As always, door prizes will be given away throughout the evening - be sure your name is on your ticket and turn it in, so you have a chance to win.

### **Wildlife Management Tools for Your Property**

Lycoming County Conservation District will host a workshop on April 10, 2015 at the Pennsdale Trinity United Methodist Church 658 Village Road, Muncy PA 17756. Registration Fee: \$10.00 per person-includes lunch and snacks throughout the day. Attached is the Brochure.

For more information, please call Rod at 570-329-1619 or Tim at 570-329-1621

### **Youth Camps**

Do you know a student who would like to attend a conservation camp? LCCD offers scholarships! For more info: [LCCD Website](#)

- Conservation Leadership School (ages 14-18)
- PA Rivers Conservation and Fly Fishing Youth Camp (ages 14-17)
- ECO Camp (10-12 grade students)
- Wildlife Leadership Academy: 2015 Field Schools (ages 14-17)

### **Loyalsock Creek Watershed Association**

Attached is the latest Newsletter "Loyal to the Sock"



## Registration Now Open For the 2015 Great American Cleanup Of PA

HARRISBURG -- Registration is now open for the 2015 Great American Cleanup of PA that runs from March 1 to May 31. Events can be litter cleanups, illegal dump cleanups, beautification projects, special collections, and educational events and must be

registered through the Great American Cleanup of PA website to receive free cleanup supplies.

"We are so grateful to our volunteers and sponsors who help make the Great American Cleanup of PA possible," said Shannon Reiter, President of Keep PA Beautiful. "We are hoping to get even more Pennsylvania's to make the Great American Cleanup of PA an annual event."

"DEP is proud to sponsor this annual cleanup event that does so much good for Pennsylvania's environment," DEP Acting Secretary John Quigley said. "By getting involved in a local cleanup, volunteers help us protect our roadsides and waterways from pollution, and improve our quality of life."

In 2014, more than 136,000 people participated in more than 5,000 cleanup events held around the state. They collected more than 6 million pounds of trash, cleaned 13,000 miles of roads, railroad tracks, trails, waterways, and shorelines, and 9,000 acres of park and/or wetlands.

Additionally, volunteers planted more than 31,000 trees, bulbs, and plants in an effort to keep Pennsylvania beautiful.

For more information or to register your events, visit the Great American Cleanup of PA website or contact Michelle Dunn, Great American Cleanup of PA Program Coordinator, at 1-877-772-3673 ext. 113 or send email to: [mdunn@keeppabeautiful.org](mailto:mdunn@keeppabeautiful.org).

### **Private Forest Landowner Conference:** The Future of Penn's Woods

March 20-21, 2015 Blair County Convention Center in Altoona, PA

To register, visit: [www.ecosystems.psu.edu/private-forest-conference](http://www.ecosystems.psu.edu/private-forest-conference) For more information, contact: Sara Banker [seb38@psu.edu](mailto:seb38@psu.edu) 814-360-3131

### **West Branch Paddle and Pedal Sojourn**

"Closing the Gap: Connecting Our Land and Water Trails"

Save the Dates: June 17 - 21, 2015

Enjoy the river and trails during the day, and camp along the riverbank at night! Each day features exclusive access to the area's history, wildlife, and conservation efforts through educational programs with local experts.

Registration: Full and daily registration options will open Spring 2015, stay tuned by [signing up for our email notifications](#).

Website: [susquehannagreenway.org/paddle-pedal-sojourn](http://susquehannagreenway.org/paddle-pedal-sojourn)

Questions: You can reach Mike Grasso, Volunteer Steward Coordinator at [mgrasso@susquehannagreenway.org](mailto:mgrasso@susquehannagreenway.org), or 570-522-7279

## WREN Grants

WREN NPS Grants and SWP Grant Program will be available for 2015! Application instructions and forms are available at [www.waterwiseepa.org](http://www.waterwiseepa.org)

Applications are due 3/20/15.

**Water Resources Webinar Series.** Penn State Water Resources Extension webinars are listed [here](#).

- March 10, 2015 - Pennsylvania Groundwater - Individual Actions to Protect This Valuable Resource, Penn State Extension (note special date in recognition of National Groundwater Awareness Week)
- March 25, 2015 – The Pennsylvania Master Watershed Steward Program, Erin Frederick, Penn State Extension

**PA Forests Webinar Series** Penn State Extension Forestry webinars are listed [here](#).

- [Remediation and Stabilization Strategies for Disturbed Forest Sites \(Noon webinar\)](#)  
When: March 10, 2015, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
- [Remediation and Stabilization Strategies for Disturbed Forest Sites \(7 p.m. webinar\)](#)  
When: March 10, 2015, 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

## [Lycoming County Watershed Association's](#)

[Blackhole Creek\\*](#)

Greater Nippenose Valley

## Web Links...

[Lycoming Audubon Society Events\\*](#)

[Consolidated Sportsman of Muncy Creek Website](#)

[Larrys Creek](#)

Loyalsock Creek\*

Lycoming Creek\*

Muncy Creek

[Pine Creek Preservation Association](#)

[Pine Creek Watershed Council](#)\*

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[DEP Public Participation Website](#)

[Northcentral PA Conservancy Website](#)\*

[North Central Source Water Protection Alliance](#)

[PA Trout Unlimited Newsletter](#)\*

[Susquehanna Greenway Partnership](#)\*

[Susquehanna Chapter of Trout Unlimited Website](#)\*

**Prevent the spread of Didymo! CLEAN YOUR GEAR!**

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