Western Pennsylvania Conservancy



# 2016 Members' Day and Annual Meeting Schedule of Events

# Thank you for supporting WPC!

# **Explore**

Choose from a selection of leisurely and vigorous morning and afternoon hikes led by WPC naturalists.

Hikes depart from outside the Upper Barn entrance.

# Learn

20-minute information sessions start at 9:00a in the Barn.

Learn about some of the exciting work that your support has made possible at the Members' Meeting in the Lower Barn from 11a - 12p.

Children will enjoy music and a book reading by award-winning children's book author, educator and musician Mark Weakland in the Upper Barn at 11a.

# Tour Fallingwater

Register in the Upper Barn for a free Fallingwater tour 10a - 4p *Reservations are required.* 

Allow 30 minutes to drive, ride the shuttle or hike the half mile to Fallingwater from the Barn.

# Shop

Selected items and WPC gear from the Fallingwater Museum Store are for sale from 10a - 2p (*Upper Barn*)

Hikes are subject to change based on weather and trail conditions. Bottled water is available at the Upper Barn for your hike.

#### 8:30a - 11:00a MORNING HIKES

(Hikes will conclude in time for the 11:00a Members' Meeting.)

## 8:30a Birding Hike (1.5 hrs.) Moderate difficulty

Learn about bird species during a 1.5 mile hike along Tissue Lane and the Peninsula Trail at Bear Run Nature Reserve.

Charles Bier and Ann Sand

## 9:00a Nature Walk (1 hr.) Easy hike

Enjoy a nature walk observing the plant and animal inhabitants of Bear Run Nature Reserve. *Jeff Wagner or Andy Zadnik* 

### 9:30a Plant Identification Hike (1.5 hrs.) Easy hike

Learn about spring plants on a hike led by a botanist. Steve Grund

# 9:30a Family Nature Hunt and Bioblitz (1.5 hrs.) Easy hike, suitable for small children

Become a citizen "scientist" and team up with WPC scientists to identify plants, animals, insects, fungi and other organisms. *Ephraim Zimmerman and Andy Zadnik* 

## 9:00a - 11:00a INFORMATION SESSIONS - Upper Barn

# 9:00a Touring Western PA from the Water: Canoe Access Sites

Explore the new GIS map of canoe and kayak access sites throughout Western PA. *Eli Long, Watershed Manager* 

# 9:30a Before and After Fallingwater

Learn about the Kaufmann's other homes in Fox Chapel and Palm Springs, CA, and how each home reflected a different era of their lives. *Scott Perkins, Director of Preservation* 

# 10:00a WPC and Community Green Infrastructure

Learn how WPC is helping communities address stormwater management and water pollution through "Green Scan" analyses and green infrastructure project implementation.

Jeff Bergman, Director of Community Forestry and Michael Knoop, Land Protection and Planning Manager

# 10:30a The French Creek Watershed: A Community Treasure

Get an overview of WPC's work in the French Creek watershed. Charles Bier, Sr. Director, Conservation Science and Ann Sand, Land Protection Manager

### 11:00a Children's Book Author and Entertainer Mark Weakland

Children will enjoy the award-winning author reading from his new book about insects and entertaining through music.

# 11:00a - 12:00p MEMBERS' MEETING - 1st floor of the Barn

**2015 Overview** Tom Saunders, President and CEO

**Land Protection along the Great Allegheny Passage** 

Jane Menchyk, Land Protection Manager

Dam Removal at Sewickley Creek

Eric Chapman, Director, Aquatic Science, Watershed Conservation

Stewardship Work at Lake Pleasant and Toms Run

Andy Zadnik, Director of Land Stewardship

Protecting Bats - An overview of White-Nose Syndrome

Charlie Eichelberger, Herpetologist, Natural Heritage

**New Developments at Fallingwater** *Lynda Waggoner, Vice President and Director, Fallingwater, and staff* 

**Ligonier Tree Plantings and the Point State Park Bioswale** 

Jeff Bergman, Director of Community Forestry

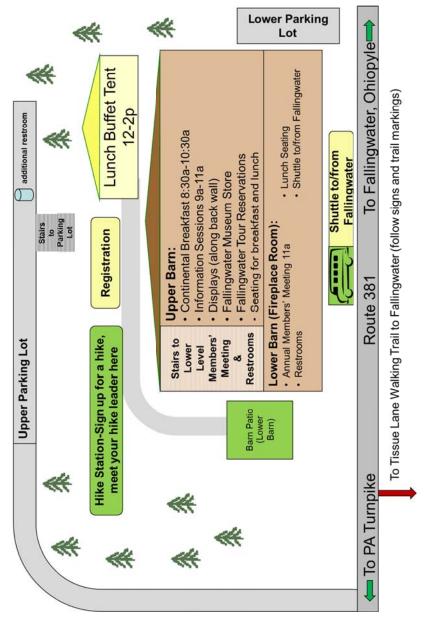
## 12:00p -2:00p LUNCH BUFFET - Upper Barn

All-beef hot dogs, sausage, grilled chicken, vegetarian baked beans, potato salad, vegetable pasta alfredo and cookies. Lunch ticket: \$18 per adult, free for children 10 and under. *Limited purchase subject to availability*.

## 1:00p – 4:30p AFTERNOON HIKES AND ACTIVITIES

- 1:00p Family Crafts Table (Upper Barn)
- 1:00p More about Protecting Bats Facing White-Nose Syndrome
  An in-depth look at bat protection. (Upper Barn)
  Charlie Eichelberger Herpetologist, Natural Heritage
- 1:00p Fallingwater Landscape Hike (2 hrs. 2 miles) Moderate
- **\*\*Two hiking groups 2<sup>nd</sup> group starts at 1:30p\*\***
- 1:30p Enjoy the land that drew the Kaufmann family to this special place and inspired Frank Lloyd Wright. *Tom Seighman, Christine Titus, Yvette Nelson, Michele Kozimor-King, Fallingwater Volunteers*
- 1:00p All Across Bear Run Reserve Hike (3 3.5 hrs.) Rugged Hike All are welcome; however, please be aware that portions of this hike are very rugged and the hike is fairly long. *Charles Bier*
- 1:00p Wildflower Walk at Ohiopyle State Park (3 3.5 hrs.)

  Moderate Difficulty Meet at the Upper Barn Hike Station and drive to Ohiopyle (carpool if you wish). Steve Grund
- 2:00p Nature Walk at Bear Run (1 hr.) Easy Hike Jeff Wagner



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