

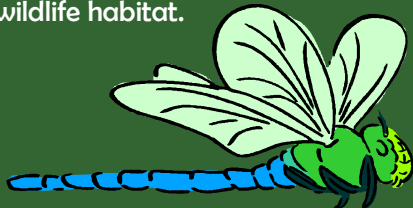
Churchville Nature Center ... A Special Place For You!



A unique place for education, preservation, and conservation, Churchville Nature Center is a facility of the Bucks County Department of Parks and Recreation, and is an area rich with diversity. The contrasting environments of meadow, marsh, woodland, pond and lake are all within an easy walk. **The Churchville Nature Center welcomes people of all ages ... for study, active exploration and contemplation.**

The Center had its beginnings in 1964, with its headquarters in an old farmhouse. Later in 1976, the facilities were expanded to include a modern visitor center, which houses an auditorium, exhibit area, gift shop, staff offices and a nature library.

The mission of the Churchville Nature Center is to instill an awareness and appreciation of the natural world in all people through education, and to promote responsible environmental stewardship with a commitment to the preservation of resources and wildlife habitat.



The Visitor Center

Within the Visitor Center there is always someone available to talk to you, or answer your questions. The building also houses the Lester S. Thomas Nature Library, an indoor wildlife viewing area, a variety of interpretive and interactive exhibits, and the Laura Yeager "Dragonfly Niche" Gift Shop for all your nature related gift needs. A complete selection of birdseed may also be purchased year round.

Our Programs

Churchville Nature Center offers a wide variety of educational programs and activities for you, and the community. A person of any age can find a program that is just right for them.

- ◆ Environmental education and Lenape Native American programs for schools, scouts and other organized groups. (brochures available upon request)
- ◆ Seasonal Public programs and tours in our re-created 1500's Lenape Village.
- ◆ Children's programs and nature clubs.
- ◆ Family programs including Sunday Naturalist Walks
- ◆ Adult workshops on a variety of topics.
- ◆ Outings such as natural history trips, day hikes, backpack and canoe trips.
- ◆ Special events such as the Cornell Pumpkin Festival and the annual Wildflower Sale.

You can find more information on the programs offered by the Churchville Nature Center in our Program and Activities Guide, or visit us at www.churchvillnaturecenter.org.

The Preserve & Grounds

Approximately 2 miles of nature trails developed on 54 acres wind through field and forest. Highlights include a wheelchair accessible, handicapped trail (wheelchairs are available for use upon request), a recreated Lenape Indian Village, the Dragonfly Pond, an historic springhouse, a pine forest, a bird observation blind and the Memorial Wildlife Gardens. Picnic at our "White Pine Picnic Grove", or find one of the many benches placed throughout the grounds to relax at a peaceful spot and simply enjoy nature.



This Park is a Preserve

Remember, all plants and animals are protected.

Please Help Us Protect Your Park

- ◇ Do not feed the wildlife - their health is at stake.
- ◇ Refrain from fishing, hunting, molesting wildlife, or picking wildflowers.
- ◇ Walk on trails only - bicycles, horses, or motorized vehicles are not permitted.
- ◇ Pets are not permitted due to the fragility of the plant life and the effects on wildlife.

As part of the Bucks County Department of Parks and Recreation, this park is your park and we invite you to come and enjoy all that it can provide for you.

Be a Friend of the Churchville Nature Center

As a member of the Friends of Churchville Nature Center, you can make a difference for your community and your local environment. Friends contribute annual dues and, in return, receive special privileges and benefits as listed on the membership insert. Please join today.

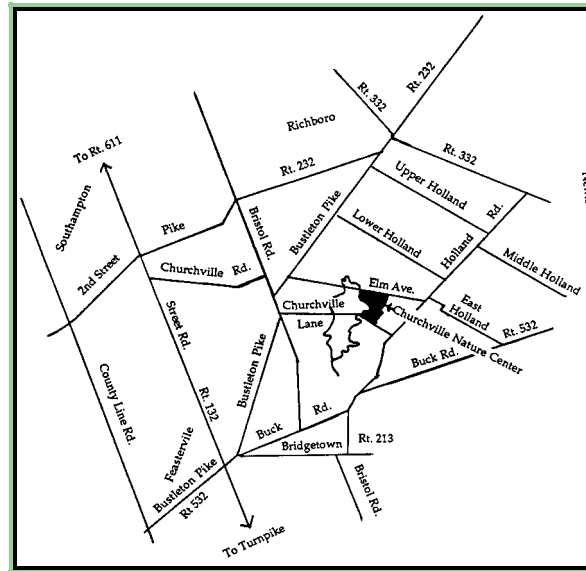
Our Volunteers

Our volunteers are very caring people who donate their time and individual skills and talents to enhance the programs and general operations at Churchville Nature Center. There are many ways that you can help. Please call (215) 357-4005 ext. 16 today for a volunteer brochure, or for more information.

The Friends Board of Directors

The Friends Board of Directors was created to assist the Churchville Nature Center in the development of programs and projects of the Center. Fundraising events and membership development are their major focus in support of the Center. As part of their leadership role, the Board members work voluntarily in cooperation with the County staff to meet the goals of the Nature Center. They are also dedicated to the expansion of the facilities and maintaining the surrounding land as a nature preserve.

Where We Are Located In Lower Bucks County



Churchville Nature Center
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Churchville, PA 18966
Phone (215) 357-4005 / Fax (215) 396-1153
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Visit Our Web-Site at: www.churchvillenaturecenter.org

Office Hours:

Tuesday – Sunday 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Monday – Closed
Trails: open sun-up to sun-down every day

Staff:

Chris Stieber, Director
Kirsten Becker, Assistant Director
Marlin Corn, Naturalist
Marge Custer, Lenape Village Director
Peg Mongillo, Environmental Education Director
Diane Sears, Coordinator of Volunteers
Janna Winans, Bookkeeper & Membership

Bucks County Commissioners

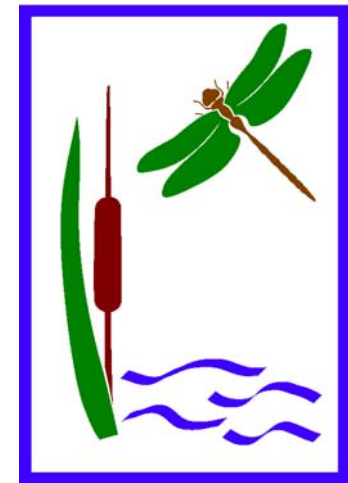
Charles H. Martin, Chairman
James F. Cawley, Esq. & Sandra A. Miller

The Bucks County Department of Parks and Recreation does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its programs, activities and facilities. The official registration of the Friends of Churchville Nature Center may be obtained by calling toll free within PA, 1-800-732-0999.

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