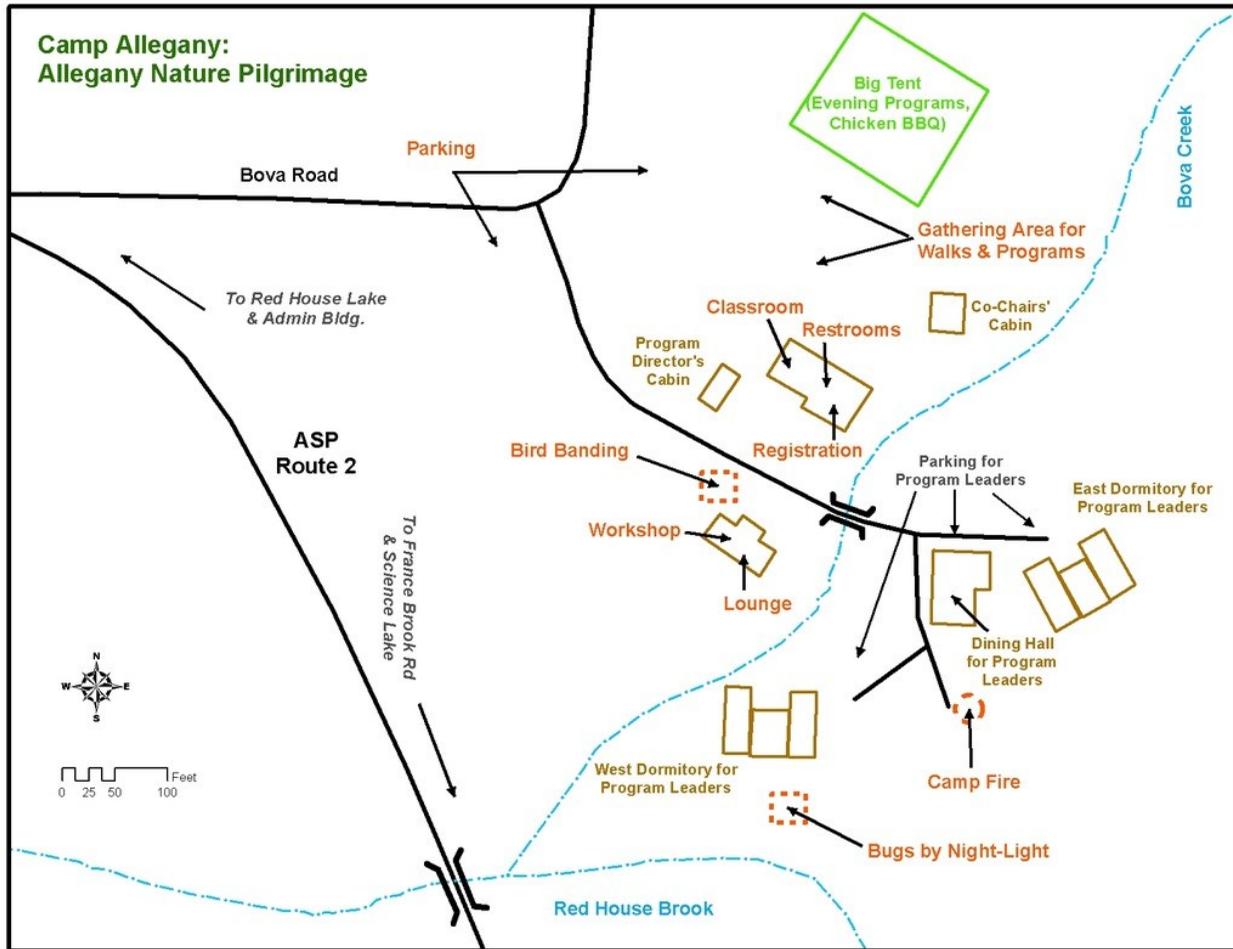


Where is My Program?

Unless noted, programs will start in the field between the registration building and the Big Tent. Some programs will require car-pooling.



Allegany Nature Pilgrimage

56th Annual Gathering of Nature Enthusiasts
Friday - Sunday, May 30, 31, and June 1, 2014

The Allegany Nature Pilgrimage is planned and executed by volunteers from:

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...always the weekend after Memorial Day...

Mark your calendars for the 57th annual: May 29-31, 2015

Welcome

We're glad you're here! If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask!

How does this schedule work?

Programs are listed in order of appearance. Each program lasts between 1½ and 2 hours unless otherwise noted. Program descriptions and Leader Bios are included in this booklet. Remember, you can't do everything! Pick what programs you want to attend, and then plan to stay for the whole program.

All programs start in the field behind the registration building near the Big Tent unless otherwise noted.



History

Attendance at the first Allegany Nature Pilgrimage in 1959 was approximately 70 people. The first event was organized by the Jamestown Audubon Society under the leadership of O. Gilbert Burgeson who conceived the idea while attending the Spring Wildflower Pilgrimage in the Great Smokey Mountains. Over the years, attendance soared and the number of sponsoring organizations increased to four. Volunteers from the Audubon Societies of Jamestown, Buffalo, and Presque Isle, and the Burroughs Audubon Nature Center organize the annual event.

Feedback

We want to know what you think about the Pilgrimage. When you get home, please email your comments to alleganynaturepilgrimage@gmail.com or go to our website using this address: <http://www.alleganynaturepilgrimage.com/feedback.html> where you can make your comments anonymously. Your honest feedback helps us improve the event each year.



Spread the Word

We hope you'll visit our website where you can click over to our Facebook Page. "Like" the page, and share your pictures and memories!

Additional Information

Program Design

In addition to a wide variety of topics, you will find a mixture of program styles from sit-down discussion or classroom lectures, to walks—short or long, to field trips requiring carpooling. Check both the program description in this booklet and the program grid if you're not sure about your program start location.

You will notice that we have two morning time slots and two after-noon time slots. If you select programs that are near Camp Allegany, you might be able to make it to two morning and two after-noon programs. However, we recommend that if you are interested in the field trips, pick only one or the other, because you will not be back in time for the very next program!



Displays

When the Classroom space is not in use for a program, please feel free to browse the displays and demonstrations on tables around the room. You will find information from our sponsor organizations, and from other friends and supporters.

Camp Chairs and/or Cushions

There are park benches in the Big Tent for our Friday and Saturday night programs. You may be more comfortable if you bring a cushion or your own camp chair!



Food

Participants are responsible for their own food, but the event does offer these options:

Saturday Hot Dog Lunch – a fundraiser offered by a Boy Scout troop. Hot dogs, chips, soda, and bottled water are available for sale in a tent behind the Registration Building.

Saturday Dinner – 5pm. Chicken BBQ and Vegan Dinners can be pre-ordered when you register. There's a place on the registration form for Saturday dinners. If you didn't pre-order before your arrival, check in at the registration table to see if dinners are still available. NOTE: Both the Chicken BBQ and the Vegan Dinners will be served in the Big Tent—a change from last year!

Nearby Restaurants: There is a restaurant at the Park Administration Building near Red House Lake. There are also places in nearby Salamanca, NY and Bradford, PA.

Coffee

Coffee is provided in the program center. In our effort to be as green as possible there will be no cups provided. Pilgrimage travel mugs are available for a small fee.



T-Shirts

There are Pilgrimage T-shirts for sale in the same room as registration.

Program Leader Bios

Rosenburg, Kristen - Elma, NY – M.S. -SUNY-ESF, field research on beavers, NYSDEC Environmental Educator at Reinstein Woods Nature Preserve for past 10 years.

Rowan, Brittany – Lancaster, NY – Brittany earned a degree in Animal Behavior, Ecology and Conservation at Canisius College. She is an environmental educators at Reinstein Woods Nature Preserve and Greg at Taconic Outdoor Education Center. Greg and Brittany enjoy the life-long pursuit that is discovering nature.

Russell, Josiah – Attica, NY – Did training in wilderness hiking, survival self study & winter camping in snow cave & hammock.

Sly, John – Long time tour leader at Beaver Meadow for school groups & tree identification hikes.

Soyk, Gregory – Lancaster, NY - Greg earned a forestry degree at SUNY ESF. He is an environmental educator at Taconic Outdoor Education Center.

Stock, Harold - Fairport, NY - Harold has worked in three museums in the past 12 years. Avid Fly Fisher

Tome, Jeff – He has been a professional naturalist since 1994 when he started working & volunteering at nature centers. He has been a naturalist for the Jamestown Audubon Society since 1996. He loves all aspects of nature and knows a ton about wildflowers and herps and a little about a lot of things.

Turner, Greg - Pennsylvania Game Commission Endangered Mammal Specialist

Van Stone, Bob - Buffalo, NY - BS Biological Science, University Buffalo; volunteer at Beaver Meadow for many years, still adding on

to his ever-growing skull collection; singer / songwriter / guitarist.

Winner, Barbara – Pittsfield, PA – A A in Biology & lifelong herbal studies.

Winner, David – Pittsfield, PA – A Penn State Master Gardener

Wellman, Adele - Salamanca, NY - BS Biology, minor in Horticulture, Tennessee Tech Univ; Adele has worked as a naturalist for Allegany State Park since 2000. During the winter she teaches skiing and snowboarding at HoliMont ski area.

Wellman, Carolyn - Salamanca, NY – A junior attending SUNY Cortland for Conservation Biology, Carolyn has led the Nature For Kids program here since 2006.

Wopperer, Jay - Williamsville NY - Graduate of Intermediate Birding, Buffalo Museum of Science, taught by Bill Vaughn; long time member of Buffalo Audubon and East Aurora Birding Club & many field trips by both.

Wymer, Dave – Portville, NY - Has been involved in astronomy for over 20 years; astro-photography became a way to really explore the dark skies we can still find in this part of the country. “I tell people that actually doing the photography is only half of the experience; the rest is simply being outside in a dark remote quiet place.”

— 1:00 pm Friday —

Square Foot Gardening: Learn about gardening this way as well as composting/worm composting and cheap ways to start seeds. Printed material will be available. This is a classroom program. David Winner

Five Mile Hike: Start the pilgrimage with an invigorating hike. We will alternate periods of very moderate hiking with stops to study late spring wildflowers, migratory birds, and whatever other delights nature may present. Teresa & Peter Corrigan

Origami Animals of Allegany: Make origami animals of those found in the park and learn about them. Fun for all ages but small children need to be assisted by an adult, some of the folding may be hard for small fingers. Iesa Erck



Wildflower/Botany Walk on the Blacksnake Mountain Trail: A leisurely stroll along this trail runs through some exceptional areas for some special Allegany plants - including seeps lush with wildflowers and great diversity. Although the focus will be on the plants, we won't overlook whatever happens to come our way - whether birds, butterflies, fungi - whatever captures our fancy. **This will be a double session - allow 3 - 4 hours** for a leisurely stroll. Bring water, binoculars, and camera. Steve Daniel & Wayne Gall

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Geologic History of ASP: Visit Thunder Rocks & learn the geologic history of Allegany State Park. Not for young children. Valerie Jill Podet.

History of Allegany State Park—
How it all Started: Focusing on the era before the Red House area was added to the park, this program will cover the years prior to 1928. Andy Malicki

Identifying & Using Wild Herbs: Explore the native wild herbs of this area how to use them. This is a classroom program but may involve some walking. Barbara Winner



Worm Composting 101: Make your garden grow! Learn how to use red wiggler worms for composting organic waste. This is a seated tent program. Brittany Rowan & Gregory Soyk

— 2:30 pm Friday —

Amtilia Outreach Reptiles & Exotic Creatures: Please join us and our animal friends for an educational journey that will introduce you to animals from all over the world. And after, join us for a short walk as we look for creatures that make their home here at Allegany State Park. Chris Duckett

Plant Lore: Once we've identified a plant, is there something interesting about it? Did you hear the story about the Libyan boy

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who sang? What plants have been around since the dinosaurs? Hey, come along and find out. Mild walking. Kim Alexander-Thomson

The Great Downhill Bird Hike: We will drive/carpool up to the Summit area and then hike down the Patterson Trail to Camp Allegany via the Bova area. You do not need binoculars for this trip as we will likely be doing mostly birding by ear on this hike. It's about a 4-mile hike, so we need to keep up a decent pace, so we're not late for dinner. We will also need to drive the drivers back up to the Summit area to retrieve cars after the hike. Frank Gardner



Beginning Birding: An introductory look at bird watching, including: focusing your binoculars, using a guide book, and easy bird identification. Please bring binoculars and dress for the weather. Easy walk, suitable for all ages. Kids welcome if accompanied by an adult. Garner Light.

History of Red House: There will be stops at the Administration Building, Park police, Native people, Olympic Ski Jumps, Red House Lake, CCC Camps & the Park Zoo. Tour requires some driving and mild walking. Harold Stock

General Nature Hike: Look for fun things. Stay close to camp. Laura Dustin

Native Carnivorous Plants: Ecology & Conservation: Learn about these amazing plants. Intense/deep subject matter may be boring for kids. Sara Johnson & Matt Candeias

Bridal Falls & General Nature Hike: Start with a walk through the meadow, then carpool to Bridal Falls. It is one of the only falls in the park. Brian Deck

— 6:00 pm Friday —

Evening Bird Walk: Let's see how many of our spring migrants and resident birds we can find in the evening hours. Bring your binoculars! This informative yet informal walk is open to all ages and birding levels. Meet at tent, carpooling required. Jay Wopperer

Beaver Walk: Learn about the traits that make the beaver suited to its aquatic lifestyle, and visit an active beaver colony to observe them. Meet at tent, short drive to location. Kristen Rosenberg

Beginner Tree Identification: Discover how to use a dichotomy key to identify trees. Then take a walk to use your new knowledge to identify the trees in the park using the key. Marie Erck



Early Evening Salamander Walk: Bring the whole family and learn about the salamanders of

and studying salamanders for last 3 years; 4-H leader

Light, Mitchell - Gasport, NY – A sophomore at Royalton Hartland HS, he has attended the ANP since age 2 & helped with the “salamander walk” for the past 7 yrs.

Makeyenko, Lauren - Buffalo, NY - Experience Manager at Tiff Nature Preserve in the City of Buffalo. Prior to that she served as an environmental educator at Reinstein Woods Nature Preserve, Tiff Nature Preserve, Erie County Department of Environment & Planning and the Center for Great Lakes Environmental Education. She also co-instructs the undergraduate course Great Lakes Ecology at the University of Buffalo.

Malicki, Andy - East Amherst, NY - Andy Malicki, Vice President of the Allegany State Park Historical Society, is ready and able to answer any question you may have about the Park's rich history. Andy has served on the ASP Historical Society's Board of Directors for over ten years.

Mansfield, Kim – Newfane, NY - Retired Program Educator Niagara County 4-H program.

Mansfield, Toby – Newfane, NY - Entomology Key leader for Niagara County 4H program for last 23 years. Masters in Entomology. Recently retired after 34 years from NYS Department of Health. Kim - retired Program Educator Niagara County 4-H program.

Markham, Jennifer – Fairport, NY – B.S. in Biology, PhD in Entomology. Teaches at Monroe Community College.

Martin, Jeremy - Lockport, NY - Jeremy spent his summers exploring the farm ponds around his

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house, and he was especially fascinated with the dragonflies. He is an amateur entomologist concentrating on dragonflies as a volunteer for the NY Dragonfly survey for the last five years.

Morien, Celeste – has taught Elementary school for 30 years and has done composting with her students using the school cafeteria garbage.

Nutting, Mary Lyn - Delevan, NY – A long time leader at the Pilgrimage.

Ordiway, Linda – Bradford PA - Dr. Ordiway is Mid-Atlantic/Appalachian Regional Biologist with the Ruffed Grouse Society. She has also worked as a wildlife biologist for the US Forest Service and has taught environmental and biological sciences at the University of Pittsburgh, Bradford PA.

Podet, Dr. Allen - Williamsville, NY - Ph.D. & DHL & DD; learned about ferns through classes, clinics & experience. Has been leading field trips at Pilgrimage for 20+ years.

Podet, Valerie Jill - Williamsville, NY - Holds a Master's degree in zoology and is almost (all but dissertation) a geologist. Has been leading field trips at Pilgrimage for 20+ years.

Rosenburg, Chuck - Elma, NY – Since 2006, Chuck has served as a wetlands ecologist with the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation. His primary responsibilities include mapping and delineation of state-regulated wetlands, reviewing wetland permit applications, and enforcement of wetland violations. He also leads the NYS DEC's winter raptor study in Region 9.

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Duckett, Christopher - Jamestown, NY - Has been catching reptiles since age 3; works in a pet store and owns Amtilia Outreach which is a group dedicated to educating the public about our planet's wildlife as well as conserving their natural habitat! He works with Jamestown Audubon and has put on numerous presentations for local events and school programs.

Dustin, Laura – A background of HS and College Physics, HS Chemistry and College Environmental Studies. A returning leader whose first leader walk was in 1976 she did general nature hikes, wildflowers, ferns, and mosses.

Ecklar, Julia - A keeper and registrar with the National Aviary.

Erck, Iesa –Lockport, NY - interested in origami for over 20 years and has taught it many times through the 4-H

Erck, Marie – Lockport, NY - competed in the 4-H State Forestry Competition as one of Top 4 to compete at National Level for 3 consecutive years, led tree ID walks for 4-H

Gall, Wayne - Lancaster, NY - MS Entomology, Univ Wisconsin-Madison; Ph.D. Zoology, University of Toronto; Administrator, Tiff Nature Preserve, & Curator of Entomology Buffalo Museum of Science, 1983-2001; Regional Entomologist, NYS Dept of Health, Buffalo, 2001-present. 2009 is his 28th year as leader at Pilgrimage.

Gardner, Frank - Bedford, MA - Amateur birder for 35 years, Christmas Bird Count coordinator; breeding bird atlas projects; field trip leader at ANP for 28 years.

Jager, Nancy – Dunkirk, NY - Nature enthusiast, enjoys nature photography. Five-year participant of the ANP. Taken Jamestown

Community College courses on plants and insect sketching with Mark Baldwin. M.S. Education State University of New York at Fredonia. NYS Certified teacher K-12. Traveled and lived in South America. Bilingual: English/Spanish.

Jager, Tiffany – Dunkirk, NY - Participant of Allegany Nature Pilgrimage since the age of 10. Very knowledgeable in identifying local plants by their characteristics. Knows many edible and toxic plants. 4-H member for 7 years, having given presentations on plants at the Chautauqua County Fair, and at the area and district levels. Currently a junior at Dunkirk High School. Planning to major in Bio-chemistry.

Johnson, Sara – Buffalo, NY - Sara has a degree in Biology from Niagara University and has worked as an Environmental Educator at Tiff Nature Preserve and the Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens. She is an avid hiker, birder, and naturalist and makes plant art and terrariums under the name Sylvania. She is a co-leader of the Western New York Carnivorous Plant Club.

Kerr, Tom – Tonawanda, NY - Graduate of SUNY Environmental Science and Forestry, Former NYC Urban Park Ranger, and currently one of the Naturalists at Beaver Meadow and the Buffalo Audubon Society.

Light, Garner - Gasport, NY - Buffalo Audubon member; Program Coordinator Iroquois Observations Nature Programs at Iroquois National Wildlife Refuge; compiler for Wilson-Lake Plains Christmas Bird Count.

Light, Judy - Gasport, NY - art teacher in Medina, NY; Pilgrimage attendee for over 20 years; salamander catcher since age 8, reading about

Allegany. Then take a wet walk to locate and count some resident salamanders. Bring nets! Wear boots! Kid-friendly, suitable for all ages. Meet at creek side of Registration Building at Camp Allegany. Mitchell Light & Andrew Burroughs

— 8:00 pm Friday —

All About Bats: Flying Mammals:

Pennsylvania Game Commission
Endangered Mammal Specialist Greg Turner tells about his research with bats. In the Big Tent.

— 9:30-ish Friday —

Bugs by Nightlight: Observe night-flying beetles, moths, etc. attracted to mercury vapor light and white sheet; learn about their identifying features and natural history.

After tent program at Camp Allegany, behind lower dormitory.

Wayne Gall & Steve Daniel

Owl Prowl: Your leader will imitate owl calls in an effort to lure in these secretive nocturnal raptors. **Meet at tent, car pool** Chuck Rosenburg



Early Summer Sky Tour: We will, weather willing, explore the early summer sky using a Celestron Telescope. Star clusters, nebulas and planet Saturn will highlight. In the meadow behind the tent. Dave Wymer

Know The Night: Have you ever wondered why fireflies blink or peepers croak? These

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and other night mysteries are explored on an easy night walk where you will experience the limitations of human life and the wonderful adaptations of our wild counterparts through fun games and cool sensory experiences. See like the owl, hear like the coyote, and know the night! (2.5 hours)
Susan Avery

Bats at Night: See bat echolocation devices and “hear” bat calls; see a few bat skulls in vials to see the size and characteristics.
Greg Turner

— 6:00 am Saturday —

Bird Walk: The early birder catches the birds! A guided birding walk, with talk about migration, habitat, and identification tips.
Rick Bacher

— 7:00 am Saturday —

Bird Banding: Get a close view of warblers and other birds as our bird banders catch birds in nets and demonstrate how to band them.
Camp Allegany parking lot (across from Registration Building). Linda Ordiway with Jack Skinner

— 9:00 am Saturday —

The Nature of Black Snake Mountain (All Day): Experience the diverse flora, bird & insect fauna along this magnificent trail. 3 mile loop trail. Wayne Gall & Steve Daniel



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All Day Birding (5-6 hours): We will car-pool to several different bird habitats within Allegany State Park. Bring a lunch. Rest stops will be available. Tim Baird.

Wild Edibles: Learn to identify and taste some of the edible plants we have in our own back yards and woods. Suitable for all ages. Adele Wellman.

Nature Up-close and Personal: Provides a closer look at some of nature's fascinating elements. Sitting program. Bob Van Stone

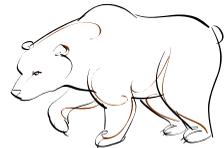
Plant Lore: See Friday 2:30. Kim Alexander-Thomson

Beginner Tree Identification: See Friday 6:00 Marie Erck

Fossils, Minerals & Meteorites: Learn about fossilized remains of animals & plants that lived 450 million years ago. Crack shale open to discover fossils. Sitting program. Jan Barton

Native Carnivorous Plants: Ecology & Conservation: See Friday 2:30. Sara Johnson & Matt Candeias

Bear Caves Family Nature Stroll: Bring your flashlight and your early elementary school-aged kids for a leisurely nature walk / ecology bingo game on the Bear Caves trail. Carpool. Jennifer Markham



Nature for Kids: A general nature hike around Camp Allegany to see what fun

and exciting things we can discover along the way! For children ages 4-8 years. Carolyn Wellman

Wildflowers Here and There by Lincoln

Nutting: A slide show of photos taken by a long time ANP leader and a photographer of note. Mary Lyn Nutting

Surviving in the Woods: Learn some Survival techniques in the woods, the various shelters for protection, a water source, fire building, how to get rescued, etc. Josiah Russell



History of Red House: See Fri 2:30 Harold Stock

Bridal Falls & General Nature Hike: See Fri 2:30. Brian Deck

— 10:30 am Saturday —

Origami Animals of Allegany: See Fri 1:00. Iesa Erck

General Nature Hike: Explore interesting aspects of nature, especially botanical findings near the tent area. This leisurely walk will encompass partial woods and field and welcomes curiosity and questions. Nancy & Tiffany Jager

Tree Identification by shape and size comparison using leaves, twigs, and seeds: Learn to identify trees and shrubs using dried and fresh specimens. John Sly

Program Leader Bios

Alexander-Thomson, Kim – Snyder, NY – B.A. Environmental Studies, SUNY-Buffalo, member of the Niagara Frontier Botanical Society, has taught at Pilgrimage over 20 years

Avery, Susan – Great Valley, NY - A self-trained naturalist, certified Florida Master Naturalist, volunteer naturalist/docent with NPS, native plant seed gatherer and propagator. My areas of interest are trees, old growth forests, spring ephemeral flowers, local historical geology, marine and freshwater invertebrates. My passion is sharing the wonders of nature with fellow explorers of all ages.

Bacher, Rick – Buffalo, NY – Local wildlife photographer, birder and raptor banding understudy.

Baird, Tim - Salamanca, NY - retired science teacher with degrees in biology & education; bird knowledge through formal education and life experience. Nature study a life-long pursuit, also interested in nature photography.

Baker, Mark – Olean, NY – Runs Eagle Dream Rehabilitation Center.

Barton, Jan – East Aurora, NY – Vice President & on the Board of Directors of the Buffalo Geological Society

Burroughs, Andrew - Waterport, NY – A senior at Albion HS, he has attended the ANP since age 2 & helped with the “salamander walk” for the past 5 yrs.

Burroughs, Susan - Waterport, NY - Elementary school teacher for 20 years (16 years of science with 5th graders); 8-year attendee at ANP, tutored by the Lights about salamanders

Candeias, Matt - Matt studied environmental biology at the University at Buffalo. He is one

of the co-leaders of the Western New York Carnivorous Plants Club. An avid hiker and naturalist, Matt maintains a blog called In Defense of Plants.

Carra, Mark – North Java, NY – Head naturalist at Beaver Meadow. Mark does FasciNature™ which offers a wide variety of live animal events, while introducing visitors to an intriguing world of exotic wildlife and conservation.

Corrigan, Teresa and Peter - Buffalo, NY - Teresa & Peter are avid walkers and wildlife watchers. They are members of Buffalo Audubon, Buffalo Ornithological Society and Adirondack Mountain Club. Teresa is an elementary school teacher and a volunteer at Reinstein Woods. Both volunteer at Tiff Nature Preserve.

Crombe, Frank - Scottsville, NY - Frank's extensive knowledge of trees, shrubs, wildflowers, etc., comes from his hobby interest working outdoors and gardening, growing native plants, membership in various conservation organizations

Daniel, Steven - A lifelong naturalist, Steven teaches natural history at Monroe Community College, and has led nature outings for decades. He is a founder and popular trip leader for Nature Discoveries, a company that runs nature tours worldwide. His expertise spans all aspects of nature - plants, birds, butterflies and moths, mushrooms, aquatic organisms.

Deck, Brian – Java Center, NY – Self taught, leads hikes at Beaver Meadow Audubon, Tiff Nature Preserve & Zoar Valley. Has been a wilderness camp counselor.

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Early Summer Sky Tour:

See Friday 9:30ish.

David Wymer



— 6:00 am Sunday —

Bird Walk: See Saturday 6:00am. Rick Bacher

— 7:00 am Sunday —

Bird Banding: See Saturday 7:00am.

Linda Ordiway with Jack Skinner

— 9:00 am Sunday —

Mount Tuscarora Hike: Somewhat strenuous climb along trail to Mt. Tuscarora to observe plants & birds. 3-4 Hrs. Tim Baird

Fossils & Minerals: see Saturday 2:30pm. Jan Barton

Birding - Bay State Rd: Both leaders will use their bird identification skills to point out birds on this driving, birding tour of Bay State Road and the little town of Red House. Please bring binoculars, dress for the weather and be willing to car-pool. Kid friendly when accompanied by an adult. Garner Light & Celeste Morien



Live Birds of Prey: See Sat 1:00 Eagle Dreams Rehabilitation Center. Mark Baker

Origami is For the Birds: We will be discussing birds that can be found in Allegany State park and making origami models of them. This is more advanced than the earlier classes that I teach. Iesa Erck

General Nature: See Fri 2:30. Laura Dustin

Animal Signs: See Sat 2:30. Valerie Jill Podet

Warbler Walk: Birding hike focusing on warblers. Tom Kerr

— 10:30 am Sunday —

Nature Games and Activities: This is adapted from “Project Wild” and is for teachers, scout leaders & other adults as well as children. Teresa Corrigan.

Old Growth Forest: See Sat 10:30. Frank Crombe

Tree ID: See Sat 10:30. John Sly

Fern Walk: See Saturday 10:30am. Allen Podet

Exotic Animals: See Saturday 2:30pm. Mark Carra

Fairy Houses & Toad Abodes: See Sat 10:30. Lauren Makeyenko

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children a unique activity that encourages them to go outside and connect with the natural world, nurturing care and respect for the environment. Please have children wear clothes that can get dirty. A short story will be read at the beginning. Lauren Makeyenko

Kan-Jam in the Meadow: Come play, watch & enjoy this fun game with a Frisbee. Carlos Burroughs

Old Growth Forest: A fascinating look at Allegany’s old growth forest Carpool. Frank Crombe

Fern Walk: A fairly easy walk during which we learn how to identify most of the native ferns of our state, employ a dichotomous key, and understand the spore cycle. Kid friendly, suitable for all ages. **Meet behind Administration Building at flagpole.** Allen Podet

— 12:00 pm Saturday —

BOY SCOUT HOT DOG SALE



— 1:00 pm Saturday —

History or Allegany State Park—How it Began: See Friday 1:00pm. Andy Malicki

Wild Edibles: See Saturday 9:00am. Adele Wellman

Live Birds of Prey: What is a raptor? Why and how are they different from other birds? The audience will be introduced to different families of raptors. Learn the natural history, biology and physical

Square Foot Gardening: See Fri 1:00. David Winner

Bova Area Birding: The group will walk from Camp Allegany up to the Bova area, birding in various habitats along the way. The total distance walked will be approximately 2 miles. Frank Gardner

Making Plaster Casts of Tracks: We will be making plaster casts of animal prints. We will learn how to make plaster animal track casts. Time permitting we may do a short walk to do some in the wild. Toby & Kim Mansfield



Papermaking: Paper making is a centuries old (and all natural) art. Kids will have fun forming sheets of paper from natural, as well as recycled material. We may even add in some 'found' fibers and local plant materials. Dan Farrell

Weird Nature: Nature is full of weird and unexpected facts and connections. This short hike in Camp Allegany will focus on the unexpected connections in nature and delve into the unusual life of things we may pass every day. Jeff Tome

Fairy Houses & Toad Abodes: Nature is full of lots of surprises –maybe even fairies! Participants will be able to build a house in the woods for Camp Allegany’s fairies and nature’s friends to visit. The simple challenge of creating a fairy house gives



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adaptations of birds of prey. With many hands-on items we explore size, feathers, flying, hunting styles, beaks, feet and talons. **Inside the big tent.** Eagle Dreams Rehabilitation Center. Mark Baker



Nature Tangles: Use patterns from nature to draw a beautiful design, stress free!-no experience necessary! If you can, bring phone, camera or tablet to take digital pictures, all other supplies provided. Make a great design to remember your ANP experience. Judy Light & Sue Burroughs

Tiftt Farm: An Urban Nature Preserve photography by Lincoln Nutting: The first film about Tiftt that promoted it to nature preserve status. Mary Lyn Nutting



Identifying & Using Wild Herbs: See Fri 1:00. Barbara Winner

Nature Up-close and Personal: See Sat 9:00. Bob Van Stone

Paper Making: See Sat 10:30 Dan Farrell

Birding 101 for Kids: Here's how to use binoculars and look for birds. Julia Ecklar

Nature for Kids: See Sat 9:00 Carolyn Wellman

General Nature: See Sat 10:30

Kan-Jam in the Meadow: See Sat 10:30. Carlos Burroughs

Red House Lake Beach Dabbling: Bring your dabbling, observation, and beach gear (e.g., aqua shoes, dip net, insect net, jar, toy shovel and pail, hand lens, binoculars, camera, blanket, folding chair) and spend a relaxing hour looking for puddling butterflies and other nature at the edge of the sandy beach on Red House Lake. If it is not beach weather, we will check out the natural history museum in the Red House Administration Building instead. Jennifer Markham

— 2:30 pm Saturday —

Nature Tangles: See Sat 1:00 Judy Light & Sue Burroughs

Beginning Tree Identification: See Friday 2:30 Marie Erck

Butterfly Life Cycle: The workshop is designed for children and young teens although adults are encouraged to attend as well. Butterfly Life Cycle - Create a booklet that describes the life cycle of a butterfly. Using paper, paste and macaroni we diagram and discuss complete metamorphosis as it relates to butterflies.



Teens and adults can learn to pin tropical butterflies. Toby & Kim Mansfield

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to listen to the music during/after.

Folk Concert with Nan Hoffman: Enjoy the music during and after your chicken or vegan dinner.

— 6:00 pm Saturday —

Evening Bird Walk: See Friday 6:00pm Jay Wopperer

Beaver Walk: See Friday 6:00pm Kristen Rosenberg

Early Evening Salamander Walk: See Friday 6:00 Mitchell Light & Andrew Burroughs

— 8:00 pm Saturday —

Birds of the National Aviary: Julia Ecklar, a keeper and registrar with the National Aviary, presents a program about the history of the Aviary (including explaining why it's in Pittsburgh and not Washington, DC as many people assume), the history of our particular bird collection, and the "invisible" stuff that goes on in the background so that visitors can enjoy the birds. In the Big Tent.

— 9:30-ish pm Saturday —

Bugs by Nightlight: See Friday 9:30ish. Wayne Gall & Steve Daniel

Owl Prowl: See Friday late. Chuck Rosenberg

Know the Night: See Friday 9:30ish. Susan Avery

Exotic Animals: Meet Mark's creepy and crawly collection of live animal ambassadors! All are captive raised and are never, under any circumstance, taken from the wild. Mark Carra

Weird Nature: See Saturday 10:30. Jeff Tome

Wildlife Photography Workshop: A Power-Point presentation, followed by hands-on nature photography around the tent. Rick Bacher

Antilia Outreach Reptile – Exotic Creatures: See Friday 2:30 Chris Duckert

Worm Composting 101: See Fri 1:00 Brittany Rowan & Gregory Sork



Animal Signs: Use our senses to spot evidence of animals on an easy walk. Valerie Jill Podet

Surviving in the Woods: See Sat 9:00 Josiah Russell

History of Red House: See Fri 2:30 Harold Stock

Science Lake Pond Study: Pond Study for Kids at Science Lake. Will provide nets and other supplies. Be prepared to get wet. Tom Kerr

— 5:30 pm Saturday —

Chicken BBQ/Vegan Meal: Tickets for this need to be purchased in advance when registering. Bring a blanket or lawn chair