

Greenways Jamboree Celebration

By Brittney Waylen

EASTON - The Northampton County Parks and Recreation Division will sponsor the Greenways Jamboree Celebration at Wayne A. Grube Memorial County Park on Monday, June 10th, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. This event commemorates the 50th Anniversary of Northampton County Parks and Recreation, the 20th Anniversary of Lehigh Valley Greenways (LVG) Conservation Landscape Partnership, and the 28th Annual Lehigh River Sojourn.

"I'm honored to continue the efforts of land preservation, park development, environmental restoration, regional trails, and education within Northampton County. Our efforts continue to improve the quality of life within the County, preserve our natural resources, and promote an outdoor recreation economy. While preserving the significant environmentally sensitive areas within and around the Delaware & Lehigh Rivers, the Kittatinny Ridge, and the PA Highlands, we also provide recreational and healthy living initiatives. I know our efforts today will continue the efforts of the past 50 years," says Bryan Cope, Superintendent of Parks & Recreation.

Community members are invited to join the LVG partners to connect with conservation and recreation organizations that will have information, giveaways, and merchandise. Attendees can explore the opportunities of LVG while enjoying tacos, burgers, and refreshments provided by GrubNight, Uno Taqueria, and Sweet Scoops food trucks, as well as New Trail Brewing who will be featuring the LVG 20TH Anniversary Hazy IPA beer. PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) Secretary Cindy Dunn, County Executive Lamont G. McClure, and Christopher Kocher Wildlands Conservancy President will make remarks beginning at 5:30 p.m., and live music from the Billy Bauer Band will start at 6:00 p.m.

Founded in 2004, Lehigh Valley Greenways is one of eight Conservation Landscapes in Pennsylvania. Supported by the DCNR, this partnership includes more than 25 local organizations and municipal partners in Lehigh and Northampton Counties that are dedicated to the conservation and connection to our natural resources. LVG works to bring about a vision in which LV communities are linked to greenways, trails, and outdoor experiences resulting in stronger local economies and improved public health, green infrastructure and natural resources.

This free event coincides with Wildlands Conservancy's 28th Annual Lehigh River Sojourn, with Sojourners camping at Wayne A. Grube Memorial County Park, maintained by Northampton County Parks and Recreation.

For more information on Lehigh Valley Greenways, contact Brit Kondravy at 610-923-3548 x225 or Conservation@delawareandlehigh.org.



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