

**NOTICE**  
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### Mission of Love Food Hub

Every Tuesday- Located at 555 North Main St., Bangor, 8am-12pm. All are invited. Dr. Pastor Frank Pons. (570) 807-7794

### Explore Warren County Tourism at: ExploreWarren.org

Located at 165 County Route 519 South - Belvidere, NJ 07823 908-475-6580 / 800-554-8540

### Portland Upper Mt. Bethel Food Bank

Located at 111 State St. Portland Pa. are open every Monday 8am to Noon

### Biking

Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area - River Road Bushkill, PA (570) 426-2452 Levee Loop Trail - Biking East Stroudsburg, PA (570) 426-1512 info@srosr.org

### BIKE TRAIN

#### ALL ABOARD THE SCENIC BIKE TRAIN!

Hop on the Bike Train and step back in time. Enjoy a relaxing 25 mile train ride through the Lehigh Gorge. Then, pedal your bike back down to Jim Thorpe at your own pace along the Lehigh Gorge Rail Trail.

Advance Tickets/reservations Are Required For The Bike Train And Can Be Made By Calling The Blue Mountain & Northern Railroad (Aka Lehigh Gorge Scenic Railway) Directly At

the student's successful completion of the week of school. Registration is open now at [www.ncjcs.org](http://www.ncjcs.org). Please fill out the online application at <https://ncjcs.org/preapp/> to register for the 2024 session.

### Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center Community Programs, May 2025

#### Weekly Weeders

Monday, May 5, 12, & 19 at 8:30am to 10:30am

Interested in learning more about gardening with native plants? Volunteer to mulch, pull weeds, divide plants, and amend soil in the center's native plant garden Monday mornings from 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM. We provide instruction, tools, and weeding mats. Registration is required.

Family Science Night: Creek Critters, Animalitos de Arroyo Friday, May 9, 2025 6:30pm to 7:30pm

Join us to learn about the fascinating creatures living in Bushkill Creek. Equipment to study these animals will be provided. Wear close-toed shoes that can get wet and expect to be in the water up to your knees. This program is best for families with children ages 5 and up. This program will be presented in English and Spanish. Registration is required. Please register all members of your party including adults and children as space for this program is limited to 20 attendees total.

Bird Walk for Adults Wednesday, May 14, 2025 8am to 10am

Join volunteer Dan for a morning bird walk at Jacobsburg. Dan will teach you the basics of looking and listening for birds, how to identify them, and how to use a field guide. Binoculars are available to borrow if you don't have your own. Please wear sturdy shoes and dress for the weather. Registration is required.

#### Hike for Health

Wednesday, May 14 at 5:30pm to 7:00pm

Get moving after work with a brisk hike at Jacobsburg! These guided monthly hikes are 2 to 3 miles over uneven terrain. You must be able to maintain a hiking pace of two miles per hour to attend. Dogs are welcome to hike on a leash. Meet at the Visitor Center flagpole at 400 Belfast Road. Registration is not required. Join the email reminder list by contacting us at 610-746-2801 or [jacobsburgsp@pa.gov](mailto:jacobsburgsp@pa.gov).

Fishing Equipment Available When: Monday thru Friday, 8:00am to 2:30pm

Where: Jacobsburg Visitor Center, 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth Borrow fly rods, spinning rods, fly boxes, and tackle to use in Jacobsburg's creeks! To borrow equipment, you must provide a driver's license or other form of state issued identification. Persons age 16 and older must possess a current fishing license to fish. Adults can help children under 16 fish without a license. Bait is not provided. For more information call 610-746-2801 or email [jacobsburgsp@pa.gov](mailto:jacobsburgsp@pa.gov).

DiscoverE Adventure Backpacks Available

When: Monday thru Friday, 8:00am to 2:30pm

Where: Jacobsburg Visitor Center, 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth Borrow a backpack full of kid-friendly tools to explore Jacobsburg! These backpacks are best for families with young children. Each backpack includes binoculars, notepad, colored pencils, magnifying lens, bug box, dip net, and five field guides for exploring the pond, insects, birds, trees, butterflies and moths. For more information call 610-746-2801 or email [jacobsburgsp@pa.gov](mailto:jacobsburgsp@pa.gov).

#### The East Bangor UMC Church

welcomes you to a FREE "Barbecued Pork" Dinner on Sunday, May 4th, from 4:00 to 4:30 p.m. This is TAKE-OUT ONLY at 136 W. Central Ave. (Rt. 512), East Bangor, PA.

#### The East Bangor United Methodist

Community Church will be hosting their annual "STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL" on Saturday, June 7th, from 12:00 to 4:30 p.m. It will be held at the Blaine Reimel Memorial Park on Park Rd. in East Bangor (rain or shine). Lots of good food and "Jacktown" ice cream will be available. For more info., call 610-588-4453 or visit [www.ebumc.org](http://www.ebumc.org).

The East Bangor UMC Church wel-

comes you to a FREE "Pasta Alfredo w/Ham" Dinner on Sunday, June 1st, from 4:00 to 4:30 p.m. This is TAKE-OUT ONLY at 136 W. Central Ave. (Rt. 512), East Bangor, PA.

#### Chicken BBQ at Christ Lutheran

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church 703 S. Delaware Dr. (Route 611), Mt. Bethel (Stone Church) will hold a Take Out Chicken Bar-b-cue on Sunday, June 15th. You must pre-order your meal with pick up between 1pm and 4pm. The meal includes a delicious bar-b-cue half of chicken, baked potato, homemade bread, spiced cabbage and dessert. The cost is \$16. To order, please call Chrissy at 610-588-0809 by June 11.

### Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center Community Programs, June 2025

#### Weekly Weeders

Monday, June 2 & 30 at 8:30am to 10:30am

Interested in learning more about gardening with native plants? Volunteer to mulch, pull weeds, divide plants, and amend soil in the center's native plant garden Monday mornings from 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM. We provide instruction, tools, and weeding mats. Registration is required.

#### Nesting Box Evening Hike

Tuesday, June 3, 2025 6pm to 8pm Join our cavity nest monitors, Becca and Jeff, for a two-mile hike to count eggs, chicks, and fledglings in the nest boxes at the center. You may even encounter predation or parasitism! Either way, it's an excellent opportunity to take part in a tradition that has continued at Jacobsburg for 20+ years and learn more about common birds that use the nest boxes. Registration is Required. Please wear comfortable footwear and dress for the weather.

#### Bird Walk for Adults

Wednesday, June 11, 2025 8am to 10am

Join volunteer Dan for a morning bird walk at Jacobsburg. Dan will teach you the basics of looking and listening for birds, how to identify them, and how to use a field guide. Binoculars are available to borrow if you don't have your own. Please wear sturdy shoes and dress for the weather. Registration is required.

Exploring Local Resources for Environmental Literacy & Sustainability in K-8 STEELS Classrooms - Educator Workshop

Thursday, June 12, 2025 9am to 3pm Join us for an engaging professional development designed to help K-8 educators integrate Pennsylvania's STEELS Environmental Literacy and Sustainability Standards into their classrooms. Representatives from Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center, Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center, Nurture Nature Center, and Wildlands Conservancy will utilize educational resources, programs, and field experiences available to support your teaching.

Participants will explore ways to bring environmental education to life, foster student curiosity, and connect classroom learning with real-world sustainability efforts. This workshop will provide valuable tools and connections to enhance instruction. Registration is required. Contact Heather Heimer [hheimer@ciu20.org](mailto:hheimer@ciu20.org) with questions about how to register.

Family Science Night: Creek Critters Friday, June 13, 2025 6pm to 7:30pm Join us to learn about the fascinating creatures living in Bushkill Creek. Equipment to study these animals will be provided. Wear close-toed shoes that can get wet and expect to be in the water up to your knees. This program is best for families with children ages 5 and up. Registration is required. Please register all members of your party including adults and children as space for this program is limited to 20 attendees total.

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DiscoverE Hide 'n Seekers (Ages 3-5): Here We Grow! Morning Session Tuesday-Friday, June 24-27, 2025 10am to 11am

Flowers and birds, dragonflies and chipmunks – a garden is a fantastic place to explore and learn about the exciting animals that call it home. Have fun learning about how to attract animals to a garden and make take home crafts start a garden of your very own! Campers must be accompanied by an adult each day of camp. Please choose only one session of camp to sign up for. This camp begins on Tuesday, June 24 and ends on Friday, June 27 and will be from 10:00 - 11:00 AM each day. There is a non-refundable \$15.00 registration fee for this camp.

DiscoverE Hide 'n Seekers (Ages 3-5): Here We Grow! Afternoon Session Tuesday-Friday, June 24-27, 2025 1pm to 2pm

Flowers and birds, dragonflies and chipmunks – a garden is a fantastic place to explore and learn about the exciting animals that call it home. Have fun learning about how to attract animals to a garden and make take home crafts start a garden of your very own! Campers must be accompanied by an adult each day of camp. Please choose only one session of camp to sign up for. This camp begins on Tuesday, June 24 and ends on Friday, June 27 and will be from 1:00 - 2:00 PM each day. There is a non-refundable \$15.00 registration fee for this camp.

#### Butterflies of Jacobsburg

Saturday, June 28, 2025 3:30pm to 5:30pm

Join us for this walk through the fields of Jacobsburg in search of these beautiful insects. We'll show you how to quickly identify local species and the best places to look for them. Participants should wear comfortable shoes. A hat, bottled water sunscreen, binoculars, and camera are recommended. This program is best for families with children ages 8 and up. Registration is required. Please register all members of your party including adults and children as space for this program is limited to 20 attendees total.

#### Magnificent Moths!

Saturday, June 28, 2025 8:30pm to 10:30pm

Moths are everywhere and come in a variety of colors, shapes and sizes. Join local moth enthusiast Steve Kloiber as we search for moths and other insects of the night. This program is best for families with children ages 8 and up. Please bring a flashlight. Registration required. Please register all members of your party including adults and children as space for this program is limited to 20 attendees total.

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**The Grand Central Habitat Committee**  
is looking for conservation minded individuals to join our monthly meetings!



Interested in joining the committee?  
Our committee is looking for individuals to provide feedback, get involved and help create new trails and projects that benefit the community.  
Join us the first Thursday every month at 6 PM  
(Next meeting: November 2, 2023)  
At the Grand Central Environmental Education Center  
831 Grand Central Road Pen Argyl PA 18972  
Questions? Contact Kevin at [kelly10@wm.com](mailto:kelly10@wm.com)

