PINEY RUN RECREATION AND CONSERVATION COUNCIL

30 Martz Road Sykesville MD 21784

June 2020



The Piney Run Recreation and Conservation Council is dedicated to supporting Piney Run Park and Nature Center. With the focus on conservation and environmental education, many programs and activities held throughout the year are promoted through the Council. Income from Nature Center memberships helps the Council provide support for exhibits, the Piney Run Summer Nature Camp, college scholarships and kayaking instruction as well as other activities to benefit the Park and Nature Center programs. Volunteers and funding from the Council make possible the Apple Festival and other special events.

Council meetings are held bi-monthly on the 3rd Tuesday in January, March, May, July (optional), September, and November at 6:00 p.m. in the Piney Run Nature Center. Reports are received at the meetings from the Park Staff. It is at these meetings that decisions are made governing how membership and fundraising money is spent for the good of the Park. Any member of the Nature Center is automatically a member of the Council, but must attend two meetings within the past 12 months (and be 18 years of age) in order to vote. All Council meetings are open to the public. Since park programs thrive on new ideas, the input of additional people is always welcome.

Below are the current Council fundraising events and activities for 2020. All Council proceeds are used to support the Piney Run Nature Center and Piney Run Park. Discounts are offered for Nature Center members for some programs. More 2020 events may be added as restrictions are eased. Follow the "<u>Friends of Piney Run Park & Nature Center</u>" on Facebook for event information or contact the Nature Center at 410-795-6043.

- Nature Center Memberships available all year; valid for the current calendar year
- Cabin Fever Art Show & Sale Saturday, February 15th from 10am 4pm
- Basket Weaving Class with Partnership Crafts by Joan Betzold Saturday, February 22nd from 9am 3pm
- Basket Weaving Class with Partnership Crafts by Joan Betzold Saturday, July 25th from 9am 3pm
- *Apple-demic Festival* Saturday, September 26th from 10am 4pm (or virtual in September). This event is evolving due the pandemic restrictions that may still be in place in September.
- *Kayaking at Piney Run Park* Throughout the open season the Nature Center has various guided kayaking opportunities at the park. Please contact the Nature Center at 410-795-6043 to schedule a private group paddle or see the quarterly program guide for scheduled dates, times and other information.
- *Adult Holiday Workshop* Saturday, December 5th from 10am 12 pm and 1pm 3pm with a pot luck lunch at 12pm (*Nature Center members receive a discount!*)
- Children's Holiday Workshop Friday, December 11th from 4pm 6pm and Saturday, December 12th from 10am 12pm
- *Piney Run Park Aviary Donations* Piney Run's raptors need a new aviary! Please help with your donation to the **Piney Run Park Aviary** on GoFundMe.com.

Information about these events and other park events can be found on the <u>Friends of Piney Run Park & Nature Center</u> Facebook page.

Council Executives: Jack Redmond, President Claude Hoerner, Secretary

Renee Schoff, Treasurer Deb Rottman, Park Superintendent

Our raptors need a new habitat

and the Piney Run Recreation and Conservation Council is going to have one built this summer for our residents...



Please help by making a donation toward the **Piney Run Park Aviary** at <u>GoFundMe.com</u>. Donations are accepted at the Nature Center Desk once it's open again or by mailing a check to the Piney Run Nature Center, 30 Martz Road, Sykesville, MD 21784.