To Become a Nature Center Member

Yearly Membership

Name ____________________________________
Address __________________________________
City _______________________State __________
Zip ___________________
Phone (H) ______________ (W) ______________
(Cell) __________________
E-mail ___________________________________

Contributions in excess of your membership fee are tax deductible.
Make check payable to the Council of your choice and mail to:

Piney Run Recreation & Conservation Council
30 Martz Road
Sykesville, MD 21784

Or:
Hashawha/Bear Branch Advisory Council
300 John Owings Road
Westminster, MD 21158

Volunteers play an important role in all the Nature Center’s activities. Your help would be greatly appreciated in any capacity. Please look through the list below and check off the areas of interest to you. Thanks in advance for offering your help!

Please check your volunteer interests:

Special Events
__ Children’s Programs: Willing to assist in programs and parties.
__ Apple Festival: A Saturday in mid-October.
__ Fishing Tournaments: Several during each season.
__ Holiday Workshop: Teach a class or help in general.

Skills
__ Art: sketching, painting
__ Baking: cooking, refreshments
__ Naturalist: interpreter, biologist
__ Carpentry: woodworking
__ Computer: data entry
__ Maintenance: cleaning, “grunt work”
__ Music: singing, instrumental
__ Living History
__ Office: desk help, answering telephone
__ Photography: slide shows
__ Writing: newsletter
__ Beekeeping
__ Storytelling
__ Gardening: weeding, planting

Please check the programs you would most like to see offered:

__ Preschool  __ K-2nd Grade  __ 3rd-5th Grade  __ 6th-8th Grade
__ High School  __ Basic Natural History  __ Advanced Natural History  __ Technical
__ Teen  __ Bus/Van Field Trips  __ Star Watching  __ Bird Watching
__ Craft Classes  __ Daytime adult classes  __ Living History  __ Star Watching
__ Camping (here)  __ Camping (elsewhere)  __ Programs meeting at other parks/sanctuaries
__ Native American  __ Local/cultural history

ACCESSIBILITY NOTICE: The Americans with Disabilities Act applies to the Carroll County Government and its programs, services, activities and facilities. Anyone requiring an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication or who has a complaint should contact Jolene G. Sullivan, The Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator, 410.386.3600, 1.888.302.8978, MD Relay 7-1-1/1.800.735.2258 or email jsullivan@cg.carr.org as soon as possible but no later than 72 hours before the scheduled event.
Carroll County Nature Centers are here for you!

Get into the fun by becoming a member of one of the two Carroll County Nature Centers – Piney Run Nature Center at Piney Run Park in Sykesville, and Bear Branch Nature Center at Hashawha Environmental Center north of Westminster. Membership at one Nature Center gives you membership privileges at both.

**Membership Donation Benefits include:**

1. Carroll County Program Guide mailed directly to you 4 times a year.
2. Invitation to our Annual “Members Only” Picnic and Free Boat Rental Evening in August.
3. Priority Registration for the Piney Run Summer Nature Camp in July
4. Nature Centers’ newsletter announcing Members Only Programs and Special Events
5. 10% discount on Nature Shop purchases.
6. An opportunity to serve on the Piney Run Recreation and Conservation Council, or the Friends of Hashawha/Bear Branch Council.
7. Reciprocal membership privileges at both Nature Centers.

Your membership donation will help the Nature Centers provide quality programs, a variety of exhibits, and environmental education programs and activities. We thank you for your support and hope to provide you with a broad range of programs to meet your expectations.

**Piney Run Nature Center** is located in southern Carroll County within Piney Run Park, and is assisted by the Piney Run Recreation and Conservation Council, Phone # 410-795-6053. Piney Run Nature Center hours are:

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<th>April 1 thru October 31</th>
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<td>Wednesday – Saturday: 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>Sunday 12:00 – 5:00 pm</td>
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Closed Mondays and Tuesdays.

The Piney Run Recreation and Conservation Council works together with the Piney Run Park and Nature Center staff in planning and implementing programs, and provides valuable financial support. Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every other month (January, March, May, etc.) at 7:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room in the Nature Center. If you have ideas or wish to get involved in any way – or even if you’re just curious – feel free to join us. Meetings are informal, just drop in!

**Bear Branch Nature Center** is located in northern Carroll County at the Hashawha Environmental Education Center complex. Bear Branch Nature Center is open to the public Wednesday – Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sundays 12:00 – 5:00 pm year round. Closed on Mondays and Tuesdays and County holidays. Phone # 410-848-2517.

The Friends of Hashawha/Bear Branch Council works together with the Hashawha Environmental Center and Bear Branch Nature Center staff in planning and implementing programs, as well as assisting with financial support. Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of February, May, August, and November, at 7:00 p.m. at the Nature Center. Members are encouraged to attend to share ideas, learn about plans, and offer volunteer support when possible.

Complete the form on the back and mail to the Nature Center you would like to join. Also, please check off any areas in which you would be willing to volunteer.