



Day In The Woods – Free Community Event!

By Coreena Meyer, Sugar Valley Watershed Association Secretary

The 2026 Sugar Valley Watershed - Day in the Woods Event will be held on Saturday **September 19th** at the **Booneville Campground, 349 Campground Road, Loganton, PA 17747**. Our featured entertainment is Clyde Peelings Reptiland and they will be presenting **3 different shows** at the following times:



10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m.
Reptiles Biodiversity Tropical Rain Forest



Eastern Box Turtle, native to Pennsylvania

This event is made possible through a Sugar Valley Concerned Citizens grant!

We will also have various organizations present to answer questions, provide information and handouts, and some will have visual aids and demonstrations. Some of the agencies who will be present are the Clinton County Conservation District, PA Game Commission, PA Fish & Boat, Department of Environmental Protection, Trout Unlimited, and Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, among others.

Picnic food will be provided (until they run out!). We will have **hot dogs, baked beans, pasta salad, and drinks**. There will also be **ice cream!**

We are looking for area businesses who might like to pitch in supplies or funds to help purchase food for this event. Anyone interested, please contact Coreena Meyer at 570-660-0080.

Big Fishing Creek Narrows Clean-Up

By John Brown, member of the Sugar Valley Watershed Association
& President of the Big Fishing Creek Cottage Association

On April 12th, the Sugar Valley Watershed Association in cooperation with the Lloyd Wilson Chapter of Trout Unlimited, Big Fishing Creek Cottage Association, Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission, and Pennsylvania Game Commission completed a roadside litter and off-road tire clean-up in the Big Fishing Creek Narrows.

Located between Lamar and Loganton, the Narrows is a six-mile stretch of mountain cut forest defined by its nationally recognized trophy trout stream.

Eleven volunteers collected **twenty bags** of roadside litter while the Pennsylvania Game Commission, through an off-road effort recovered tires, TVs, and debris.



Smiling faces for the litter clean-up crew. Photo credit: John Brown



Pennsylvania Game Commission litter clean-up crew. Photo credit: John Brown

Sugar Valley Concerned Citizens Grant

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In February we applied for a grant from the Sugar Valley Concerned Citizens. On March 20th we were notified what we received our Grant request for \$2,800 and on April 28th Coreena Meyer accepted a check for that grant. This grant is to be used to print our newsletter and for our Day in the Wood event to be held in September. **This grant is greatly appreciated and we thank the Concerned Citizens for their willingness to help provide for the community needs and events.**



Coreena Meyer & Ryan Bierly, President of the Sugar Valley Concerned Citizens

Conservation District Efforts in Big Fishing Creek

By Charly S. Bloom, District Manager for the Clinton County Conservation District

The Clinton County Conservation District is continuing the efforts to improve water quality in the Big Fishing Creek Watersheds. Despite the staffing challenges that District has faced over the last 5 years, the staff are committed to improving stream and watershed health within the valley. Since 1999, the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) has provided grant funding through the Growing Greener Plus Grant. Growing Greener Plus is the largest single investment of state funds meant to address environmental initiatives and has funded approximately \$436 Million dollars' worth of projects. The District has managed to apply and be awarded funds from this grant program for \$394,966.00.

The funds are going towards two large scale projects within the Big Fishing Creek Watershed. One project is a wetland creation where the District has partnered with United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) to capture and redirect new spring seeps into Big Fishing Creek. This effort is to help the landowner regain property, while improving wildlife habitat and increasing cold water flow into Fishing Creek and providing a clean, cold source to the local trout populations. The next project is further downstream from the wetland project, in the Narrows. The second project consists of multiple fish habitat/bank stabilization projects that will reduce sediment from entering the waterway and provide more habitat for the local aquatic life.

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Board Meetings

We meet the first Monday of every month at Trinity Church in Greenburr (October-April) and at the Booneville Campground (May-September). Please check our Facebook page for meeting times and upcoming events.

7:00 pm

In order to keep our members and our community safe we are also holding meetings via conference call.

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**Members who haven't paid dues
yet this year can pay now!**

Become a Member of the Sugar Valley Watershed Association “flowing cleaner, growing greener”

... protecting the quality & beauty of Big Fishing Creek to enhance life in Sugar Valley by promoting awareness & appreciation of environmental issues through education so the community can make sound choices for a sustainable & ecologically healthy future.

Help Support Our Organization by joining at one of the following levels:

Individual	\$10	Stewardship	\$50
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