WCWA 11TH ANNUAL MEETING

2023

WHO WE ARE

The Washington County Watershed Alliance (WCWA) is a nonprofit conservation organization for the whole county, designed to enhance and coordinate the activities of individual watershed associations.

WASHINGTON COUNTY
WATERSHED
ALLIANCE

2022-2023 BOARD MEMBERS

VICKI BRYAN SAM CARROLL - PRESIDENT JENNIFER DANN JASON FILLHART KITTY GARDNER **CARRILEE HEMINGTON KEN MAGLIETTA** KATHLEEN MARTINCIC **VICKY MICHAELS GENE SHELLER**

Chartiers Creek Cleanup/Revival

- 81 volunteers
 - 30 bags of trash
 - ¼ mile of invasive vegetation removed
 - Log jam at bridge cleared









ACCOMPLISHMEN TS

- KEYSTONE 10 MILLION TREES PARTNERSHIP
 - OVER 1,500 TREES
 PLANTED IN RIPARIAN
 AREAS OF
 WASHINGTON
 COUNTY



& SUPPORT CONSERVATION IN YOUR COMMUNITY

SPRING 2022 TRAINING COURSE

WASHINGTON COUNTY

PA MASTER **NATURALIST** COORDINATIN **G PARTNER**

OUTREACH UPDATES



- WE HAVE 256 FOLLOWERS
 - INCREASE OF 35
 - @WCWALLIANCE



- FACEBOOK
 - 665 FOLLOWERS
 - INCREASE OF 251
 - @WCWALLIANCE



Thank you to those who purchased through our link!



\$76.98 received in 2022





- STRATEGIC PLAN COMPLETION AND ROLL OUT
- FALL KEYSTONE 10 MILLION TREE ORDERING



THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND CONTRIBUTIONS!









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WATERSHED ASSOCIATIONS

2023





BUFFALO CREEK WATERSHED ASSOCIATION



• THE BCWA OFFICIALLY ADOPTED
THE CLAYSVILLE ON/OFF RAMPS OF
I-70. THE GROUP COMPLETES
CLEAN UPS IN THE SPRING AND
FALL EACH YEAR.

 21 BAGS OF TRASH COLLECTED THIS YEAR





SALT WATCH

- BCWA MEMBERS HAVE BEEN PARTICIPATING IN SALT WATCH IN 2022
 - HIGH LEVELS OF SALT WERE NOTED IN THE STREAMS FLOWING ALONG I-70

 ALL DATA IS UPLOADED TO IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE OF AMERICA DATA SITE

MUSSEL SURVEY

- WITH THE HELP OF THE
 WASHINGTON COUNTY
 CONSERVATION DISTRICT 4 SITES
 IN BUFFALO CREEK WERE ASSESSED
 FOR THE PRESENCE OF LIVING
 MUSSELS
 - NO LIVE SPECIMENS WERE FOUND AT THIS TIME, BUT SHELLS HAVE BEEN COLLECTED





DUTCH FORK LAKE

WORKING WITH
 THE CENTER FOR
 COALFIELD JUSTICE
 TO BRING
 AWARENESS TO
 FUTURE
 UNDERMINING
 NEAR THE LAKE



THINGS TO LOOK FOR IN 2023

WATER QUALITY
MONITORING OF THE
DUTCH FORK LAKE
WATERSHED



CHARTIERS CREEK WATERSHED ASSOCIATIO N

2022 BOARD MEMBERS

- JOSH DUNKLE –
 PRESIDENT
- CARRILEE HEMINGTON –
 VICE PRESIDENT
 /TREASURER
- VIRGINIA MCANULTY –
 SECRETARY
- KRISTENE SHAW
- SUMMER VOELKER

WATER QUALITY MONITORING

SPRING and FALL sampling was completed within the watershed

And Salt Watch



macroinvertebrates

Identifying macroinvertebrates



Measuring flow



Testing chemical parameters





MUSSEL SURVEY

FOUND 4 SPECIES
 OF FRESHWATER
 MUSSELS IN LITTLE
 CHARTIERS CREEK

BEYOND FISH & BIRDS OUTREACH EVENT



- HELD AT CANONSBURG LAKE MAY 14, 2022
 - DEMONSTRATED HOW TO COLLECT MACROINVERTEBRATES
 - HAD LIVE ORGANISMS FOR VISITORS TO LOOK AT AND LEARN HOW TO IDENTIFY
 - DISCUSSIONS ON WHY WE COLLECT
 THEM TO DETERMINE WATER
 OUALITY

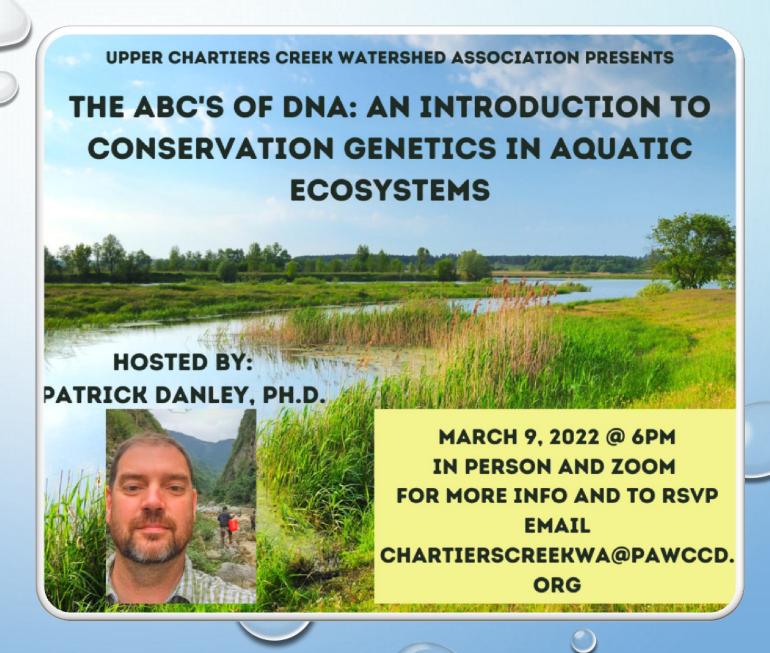
CLEAN UP AT CANONSBURG LAKE

APRIL 23, 2022
FIFTEEN VOLUNTEERS
COLLECTED 26 BAGS OF
TRASH FROM AROUND
THE LAKE



EDUCATIONA L PRESENTATI ON

DR. PATRICK DANLEY
PRESENTED ON
CONSERVATION GENETICS



THINGS TO LOOK FOR IN 2023 NEW PARTNERSHIPS, NEW PROGRAMS, NEW PEOPLE

- UPCOMING RESTORATION PROJECT IN HOUSTON BOROUGH
- JUNE 1ST EVENT AT MINGO PARK WATERSHED AWARENESS AND MACROINVERTEBRATES
- ANNUAL WETLANDS WALK NEW LOCATION AT CANONSBURG
 LAKE FOLLOW OUR SOCIAL MEDIA FOR THE UPCOMING DATE!

INDEPENDENCE CONSERVANCY

representing the

Raccoon Creek Watershed





CONNECTING THROUGH CONSERVATION



Trash and Tire Clean Ups

•ON APRIL 4 & 5 HELPED WCCD, RANGE RESOURCES, INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP AND MT. PLEASANT TOWNSHIP CLEAN UP 10 TONS OF TRASH AND 300 TIRES

•COMMUNITY TIRE COLLECTIONS
DISPOSED OF 692 TIRES PROPERLY IN
BEAVER COUNTY





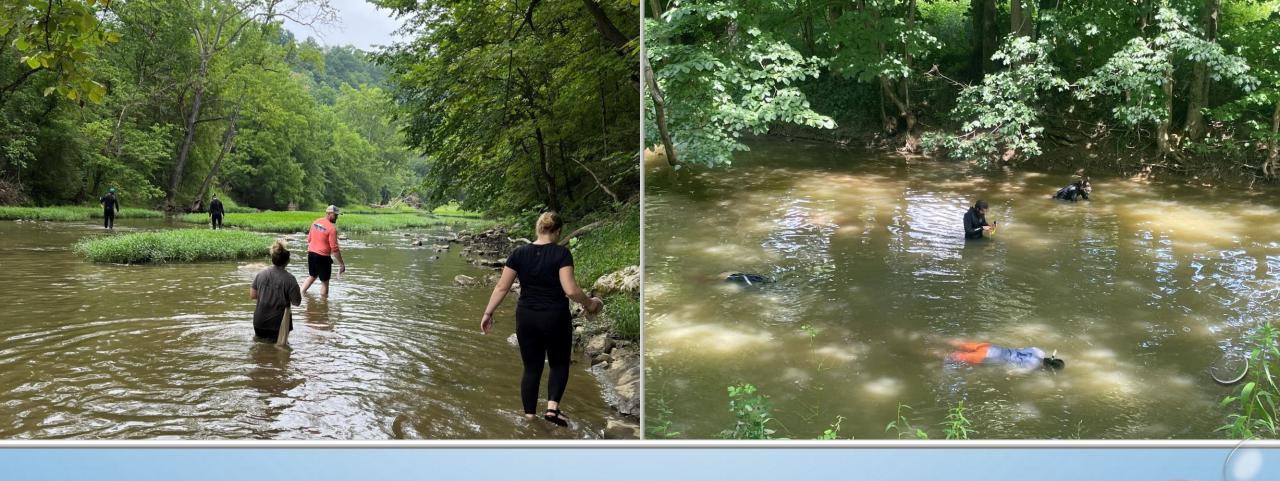
Tree Planting

 10 Large Caliper Trees planted at Rocky Bend Nature Preserve along Raccoon Creek

1,500 live states and 1,000 native trees
 planted along Raccoon Creek bank restoration
 project







TEN MILE CREEK MUSSEL SURVEY

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS FOR THEIR HARD WORK AND DEDICTATION