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Well, hello there, summer!

You snuck up on me, there. I'm your host, the beautiful, river-obsessed Upper Delaware River Valley. You might've noticed spring has sprung and done its thing. The pressure is on me, now—though I don't let it get to me. There's plenty to do around here, and in the next few pages, you'll see so for yourself.

In this inaugural **River Reporter** welcome-to-summer section, you will find an index of places to keep your eye on as the summer unfolds. They're all in the business of providing fun entertainment, often for the whole family. Arts abound throughout this gorgeous area in which we live. Don't just take my word for

it; flip through and spot the many art organizations providing galleries throughout the year. Beyond the arts, some organizations offer historic-centric fun; others have a lineup of performances to get you movin' and groovin'. As we shake off the pandemic-suffocated summer of last year, keep in mind that many entertainment schedules will be unfolding as the weeks march further into consistent, yummy and sunny 80- and 90-degree weather.

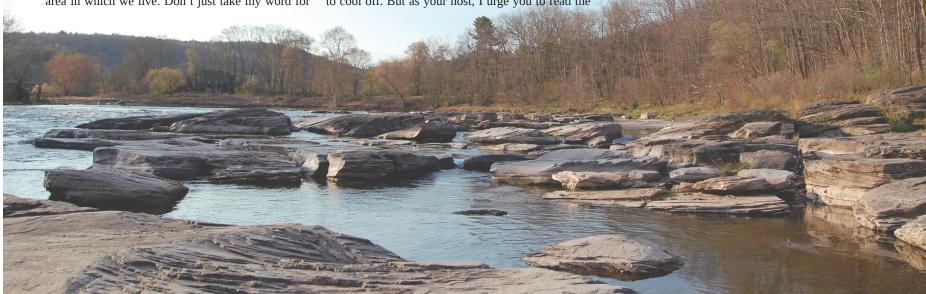
And speaking of those high temps, don't worry! You've probably noticed there are plenty of ways to cool off. But as your host, I urge you to read the

helpful tips from the National Park Service before you go splashing around in the Delaware.

If you're at a loss of where to get started with enjoying the outdoors, flip through the index of those places specializing in outdoor adventure. They will surely, and safely, get you going in the right direction.

Whether you're new to the area or a longtime local, join us in welcoming the season that makes the winters here worth it.

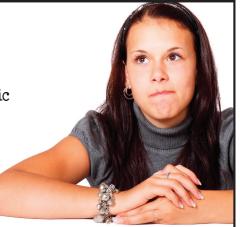
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Galleries, performances and museums galore in the Upper Delaware River Valley

Keep an eye on these organizations as the summer unfolds

On the New York side:

Bethel Woods Center for the Arts

845/583-2000 • www.bethelwoodscenter.org 200 Hurd Rd., Bethel, NY

About:

"Located 90 miles from New York City at the site of the 1969 Woodstock festival, the lush 800-acre campus includes the Pavilion Stage amphitheater with seating for 15,000, an intimate 440-seat indoor Event Gallery, the award-winning Museum at Bethel Woods and a Conservatory for creative learning programs. As a 501(c)3 nonprofit cultural organization, [its] goal is to provide innovative, program-driven experiences for all ages at our 800-acre campus in the Sullivan Catskills of Upstate New York. Each year, the center presents a diverse selection of culturally rich performances, popular artists, and community and educational programming."

Currently:

The main exhibit at the Museum at Bethel Woods, "The Story of Woodstock and the '60s" and the 2021 special exhibit, "Lights, Color, Fashion: Psychedelic Posters and Patterns of 1960s San Francisco."

Coming up:

On Saturday, July 10 at 8 p.m., The Black Crowes take the Pavilion Stage to play their quintuple-platinum album "Shake Your Money Maker" in its entirety 30 years after its release.

Catskill Art Society

845/436-4227 • www.catskillartsociety.org 48 Main St., Livingston Manor, NY

About:

"The Catskill Art Society (CAS) is a nonprofit organization cultivating public interest, participation and enjoyment of the arts. Through its multi-arts center, CAS explores contemporary art practices and facilitates creative and professional development for established and emerging artists."

Currently:

"Spectral Evidence," a sculptural installation by Brooklyn-based artist Nancy Bowen at the Laundry King (65 Main St.), on view through Saturday, June 19.

Catskill Fly Fishing Center & Museum

845/439-4810 • www.cffcm.com 1031 Old Rte. 17, Livingston Manor, NY

About:

"The Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum (CFFCM) is a 501(c)(3) and the hub of the fly fishing community in the birthplace of American dry fly fishing. [You're] invite[d] to wet a line in Wulff Run, walk our nature trail, view the informative exhibits the museum offers, picnic under our covered pavilion and interact with the fly tyers, rodmakers, environmentalists and naturalists who present programs at the center."

The 53-acre center is home to the Catskill Bamboo Rod-Makers Workshop, the Fly Fishing Hall of Fame, the Wulff Arts and Cultural Gallery and more. CFFCM offers many activities throughout the year, including educational workshops, competitions and more.



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Produced by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance (DVAA), the Big Eddy Film Festival "aims to advance the traditional art of storytelling by showing the newest and best independent films from around the world and our own backyard." In 2020, DVAA teamed up with Bethel Woods Center for the Arts to adjust the typical venue due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Delaware Valley Arts Alliance

845/252-7576 • www.delawarevalleyartsalliance.org 37 Main St., Narrowsburg, NY

About

"The Delaware Valley Arts Alliance presents year-round programs in the visual, performing and community arts, and provides arts resources for a county- and valley-wide constituency of artists, arts groups and the general public."

Additionally, the organization is responsible for annual events such as the Big Eddy Film Festival, Riverfest and the Deep Water Literary Fest.

Currently:

"Wad You Say?" Chewing gum sculptures by Nathaniel Lieb, on display until Sunday, June 20.

"Tactile," an exhibition of various artists, on display until Sunday, June 20.

Delaware Valley Opera

845/887-3083 • www.delawarevalleyopera.com P.O. Box 505, Callicoon, NY • 210 Bridge St., Narrowsburg, NY

About:

Delaware Valley Opera has the mission to "provide oppor-

tunities for area talent to study and perform a wide range of opera repertoire; to introduce opera to young people and the general public through performances, workshops and educational programs; and to foster collaborations between creative and interpretive artists and technicians." It is a member of the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance, the Arts Council for Sullivan County, NY.

Coming up:

The Delaware Valley Opera is preparing for its 35th season to begin in July. Visit www.delawarevalleyopera. com for details as they're announced.

Forestburgh Playhouse

845/794-1194 • www.fbplayhouse.org 39 Forestburgh Rd., Forestburgh, NY

About:

The Forestburgh Playhouse presents productions throughout the summer season in its historic, 125-year-old barn theatre. Since the pandemic, it began an "Under the Stars" outdoor performance series. Patrons can enjoy dining, cocktails and cabaret in the adjoining Forestburgh Tavern. The Forestburgh Playhouse also offers education in the performance arts.

"Dubbed the 'Miracle of the Forest,' close

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to 35,000 patrons attend various performances every year, and the growth shows no signs of slowing down. As the Forestburgh Playhouse approaches its 75th season in 2021, it continues to thrive and make summer nights special for residents and visitors alike."

Coming up:

"Under the Stars" series: Morgan James on Friday, June 4; Alysha Umphress on Saturday, June 5; A Benefit Concert, starring Elizabeth Stanley, on Friday, June 11; Karen Mason on Saturday, June 12. Visit www.fbplayhouse.org/fbphunder-the-stars-2021 for more information on those shows plus a full schedule.

Hurleyville Performing Arts Centre

845/693-4119 • www.hurleyvilleartscentre.org 219 Main St., Hurleyville, NY

About:

"Hurleyville Performing Arts Centre Inc. (HPAC) is an independent community-supported organization. It houses a cinema, ballroom event space, dance studios, yoga studio and gallery. [It] celebrates the environmental and social diversity of the Catskill region through performance, film and visual art. HPAC presents bold programs that create shared experiences to inspire, challenge and connect audiences."

Coming up:

"Mimi McGurl presents Queer Gardening," a gardening talk, on Sunday, June 13 at 2: p.m. This in-person event is outdoors and costs \$10. Visit HPAC online for more information.

North American Cultural Laboratory

845/557-0694 • www.nacl.org 110 Highland Lake Rd., Highland Lake, NY

About:

The North American Cultural Laboratory is a "non-profit theatre arts center for research and development that has produced 20 original ensemble theatre productions and countless public spectacles." Its mission is to "cultivate a culture of creativity through the development and presentation of original actor-generated theatre, and to nurture an engaged community of artists and audiences."



RR photo by Jonathan Charles Fox

From the 2020 premiere premiere of Forestburgh's "Under the Stars" series: As the sun set and the stars twinkled above, Broadway's Nicholas Rodriguez closed his show at the Forestburgh Playhouse with the Phantom of the Opera's "Music of the Night."

Ten Mile River Scout Museum

8445/252-2063 • www.tmrmuseum.org 1481 County Road 26, Narrowsburg, NY

About:

"The Ten Mile River Scout Museum (TMR) is operated by the Greater New York Councils, Boy Scouts of America and is dedicated to preserving the history and artifacts of the TMR scout camps and the local area. TMR is a 12,000-acre reserve... that has been serving the Boy Scouts of New York City since 1927. [TMR is] open to the general public and offer[s] various tours and indoor exhibits, outdoor programs and local history exhibits."

The Narrowsburg Union

845/252-3100 • www.narrowsburgunion.com 7 Erie Ave., Narrowsburg, NY

About:

The Narrowsburg Union is a community hub with the mission to "bring the former Narrowsburg Central Rural School building out of hibernation and restore it to its role as an integral and lively element of the community."

Beyond hosting art exhibits and community events throughout the year (including the Narrowsburg Farmers' Market on Saturdays throughout the summer, 10 a.m. to 1p.m.), it boasts a commercial kitchen, event spaces, office spaces, and printing and shipping services. Some of its tenants include Botanist, vegan street food, and B-Line Ice Cream, ice cream made with wildflower honey.



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Shandelee Music Festival

845/439-3277 • www.shandelee.org 442 J. Young Rd., Livingston Manor, NY

"The Shandelee Music Festival (SMF) encourages and promotes the careers of young, exceptional classical musicians through an annual series of summer concerts in New York's Catskill Mountains. Concert locations include SMF's own Sunset Concert Pavilion, Bethel Center for the Performing Arts Event Gallery, and public enrichment appearances in local schools and special care facilities. Founded in 1993, SMF operates as a private, not-for-profit corporation."

Coming up:

"Afternoon of Piano Masterworks" featuring solo pianist Sara Davis Buechner, Sunday, June 28 at 3 p.m. on Facebook Live: www.bit.ly/3tyXHWB.

Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop

845/436-5336 • www.scdw.net 5243 Main St., South Fallsburg, NY

The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop has been providing community theatre since 1950. Its home is in the Rivoli Theatre, which was purchased by the organization in 1998.

Coming up:

The production "Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time" will show on select dates from June 12 to 21. Visit www.scdw.net for details as they're announced.

Weekend of Chamber Music

917/664-5185 • www.wcmconcerts.org P.O. Box 147, Jeffersonville, NY

About:

The Weekend of Chamber Music seeks to "engage the public of the Catskills and the Upper Delaware region directly by bringing transformative performances of, and discussion around, chamber music to a wide variety of venues across the region. With events each season in a converted barn (its main concert home), a distillery, a country inn, a farmers' market, a church lawn, a repurposed school and an old mill-turned-gallery, [the Weekend of Chamber Music brings its] work straight to the people wherever they are."

Coming up:

On Thursday, July 15 at 7:30 p.m., a music talk with Kurt Rohde, composer in residence; Andrew Waggoner, moderator, violin and hammered dulcimer; and Caroline Stinson, cello, will be held at Catskill Art Society's gallery at Laundry King, located at 65 Main St. in Livingston Manor.



RR photo by Ionathan Charles Fox

There's more than just fresh produce at the area's many famers' markets; some offer live music and performances, as well. Pictured are Janet Burgan, left, and Farm Arts Collective Artistic Director Tannis Kowalchuk.

And across the river into Pennsylvania:

The Art Factory of White Mills

570/251-1181 • www.theartfactoryofwhitemills.com 736 Texas Palmyra Hwy., White Mills, PA

About:

"The Art Factory of White Mills is an art gallery [that hosts more than 70 local artists.] It is a venue for quality, original, hand-made, unique art created by both emerging and established artists." Each month, the factory features a new artist and offers a new art challenge. The art challenges are a "once-a-month challenge designed to celebrate everyone's inner creativity."

Beyond its art galleries, the Art Factory of White Mills offers many classes for new and experienced artists who want to begin or hone their craft.

Coming up:

Arts and Crafts Fair on Saturday, June 19 from 12 noon to 4 p.m. Admission is free; the event will take place rain

Artery Fine Art & Fine Craft

570/409-1234 • www.arterygallerymilford.com 210 Broad St., Milford, PA

About:

"The ARTery is a gallery now located in the historic Forest Hall building in Milford, Pennsylvania. It is a cooperative owned and operated by successful and emerging artists and artisans from the tri-state area. Their work is shown in galleries throughout the US and Europe, in such cities as New York, San Francisco, Santa Fe, Albuquerque, Philadelphia, Providence and Paris. With 10 to 15 artists exhibiting, there is a wide variety of work in all mediums and genres that changes and/or rotates on a monthly basis."

Currently:

"Art in Bloom," the ARTery's annual spring show, a collaborative project with the Milford Garden Club, is on display until Monday, June 7.

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The Columns

570/296-8126 • www.pikehistorical.org 608 Broad St., Milford, PA

About:

"The Columns is a 22-room mansion built in the neo-classical style. Home to the Pike County Historical Society and the Columns Museum, the property features two floors of historical exhibits and interesting artifacts in a grand 1904 neo-classical mansion."

The Columns host many community activities beyond its historic walls—for example, a scavenger hunt involving a Abraham Lincoln bobblehead and a variety of musical events.

Coming up:

"Tunes Along the Towpath" will be a day filled with music by Little Big Band, Scott Weis Band and Fred Zepplin Band at the fields behind Lock House 16 in Glen Eyre, PA. Directions come with tickets, which cost \$65. Gates open at 12 noon; music will take place from 1 to 6 p.m.

The Cooperage Project

570/253-2020 • www.thecooperageproject.org 1030 Main St., Honesdale, PA

About:

"The Cooperage Project is a community nonprofit organization... that seeks to build community through performance events, learning opportunities and good times."

It hosts a farmers' market, an educational program for children called "Romping Radishes," a variety of musical performances and open mics, and many more community events.

Currently:

The Main Street Farmers' Market on Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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A scene from Farm Arts Collective's 2020 production, "Dream on the Farm."

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Dorflinger Glass Museum

570/253-1185 • www.dorflinger.org 55 Suydam Dr. White Mills, PA

About:

The Dorflinger Glass Museum, on the grounds of the Dorflinger-Suydam Wildlife Sanctuary, is "the nation's largest collection of American brilliant-cut Dorflinger glass displayed in the home of the founder."

The grounds are also home to the Wildflower Music Festival. "For more than 37 years, the Wildflower Music Festival has presented quality music in a natural amphitheater, surrounded by majestic pines and sweet breezes."

Currently:

Admission for the Dorglinger Glass Museum costs \$5 for adults and \$2 for ages 6 to 18.

Coming up:

To open the Wildflower Music Festival, Alliance Brass, a brass quintet, will play early classical, classical pops, jazz standards

and favorite patriotic music on Friday, July
4. Tickets for this and any following concert cost \$24 for adults and \$13 for ages 6 to 18.

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Farm Arts Collective

917/566-7698 • www.farmartscollective.org 38 Hicory Ln., Damascus PA

About:

Farm Arts Collective is an AGRI-Cultural center located on Willow Wisp Organic Farm (1 mile from Callicoon, NY). Programs combine activities in farming, performance, ecology, and food. The annual "Dream on the Farm" performance takes place every summer and features a fantastical and theatrical farm tour with stilt walkers, musicians, native drummers, and the extraordinary talents of local and regional artists and agrarians. Workshops on fermentation, medicinal plants, cooking, seed-saving, and the new farmers roundtable celebrates rural, creative living at its best.

Grey Towers

570/296-9630 • www.greytowers.org 151 Grey Towers Dr. Milford, PA

About:

The Grey Towers Heritage Association has a mission to "assist the U.S. Forest Service in education, improvements, promotion, conservation and wise use of [the] Grey Towers National Historic Site."

Grey Towers offers guided tours of the mansion and the grounds, conservation programs, the annual Festival of Wood and more.

Currently:

The grounds are open to the public from sun-up to sun-down year round.



570/588-8077 • www.harmonyinthewoods.

475 Woodland Ave., Hawley, PA

About:

"The Foundation for Harmony Presents seeks to enlighten and engage the human spirit by giving a platform for artistic discoveries and life-long reflection and learning in our most basic and natural habitat, nestled amongst the trees, at [its] home amphitheater, Harmony In The Woods."

Coming up:

The music season opens up on Friday, July 2 with The Gold Magnolias. The Bumper Jacksons will follow on Saturday, July 3. Performances begin at 6 p.m. and tickets cost \$25 to \$35 depending on seating.

The Hawley Silk Mill

570/390-4440 • www.hawleysilkmill.com 8 Silk Mill Dr. Hawley, PA

About:

"The Silk Mill in Hawley has been a vital part of [the] community since its construction in 1880. Its many incarnations over the years have included a silk factory with the foremost technology of the day, a textile factory and antique center. Never has it been more vibrant than today. The vision for the repurposed factory is to have a center that celebrates the lifestyle of the Pocono Lake Region—a place for the residents and visitors alike to shop, gather, eat, exercise and learn."

The Silk Mill is home to the Looking Glass Gallery, Cocoon Coffee House and Bakery, Art on the Edge, various shops and an event space.



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Sandy Long says, "At the Columns Museum, inspect a case filled with "Audubon's Birds," harvested for John James Audubon to sketch by John Graham Bell, taxidermist and collector. Bell accompanied Audubon on his Missouri River trips in 1843 and also taught taxidermy to Theodore Roosevelt. Bell's family has roots in Matamoras, PA. The Bell's Vireo and Bell's Sparrow are named for him.

The Stourbridge Line

570/470-2697 • www.thestourbridgeline.

812 Main St., Honesdale, PA

About:

"The Stourbridge Line offers a variety of scenic excursions and themed train rides from Presidents' Day through the holiday season including the popular fall foliage season."

The historic Stourbridge Lion arrived in Honesdale in July 1829 and currently provides fun for the whole family.

Coming up:

On Saturday, May 29, the Stourbridge Line's "BL2 & BBQ" train will leave at 12 noon. The ride features chicken barbecue from Bethany United Methodist Church. On Sunday, May 30, the first-ever "Art Train" will depart from Honesdale at 12 noon with a stop in Hawley to observe featured artists from Zane Grey Plein Air at the platform. On Monday, May 31, the train departs at 9 a.m. from Hawley for a ride to the Honesdale Memorial Day parade.

Beyond Memorial Day weekend, the Stourbridge Line has a full calendar of events on their website.

Wayne County Arts Alliance

570/729-5740 • www. waynecountyartsalliance.org 815 Main St., Honesdale, PA

About:

"The Wayne County Arts Alliance (WCAA) is a not-for-profit organization entirely governed by volunteer members, a society composed of artists and people interested in the beneficial effects of the arts. [It is] committed to developing a dynamic, art-friendly atmosphere in the community, one that enhances and enriches the lives of its citizens."

WCAA hosts three galleries in Honesdale: Main Street Gallery, located at 959 Main St.; Gallery 815, located at 815 Main St.; and the Bodhi Tree Gallery, located at 214 6th St. Suite B. Various businesses around Honesdale also display art from WCAA member artists.

Currently:

"Self-Portraits – An Artist's Interpretation" is open through Saturday, June 5 at the Main Street Gallery.

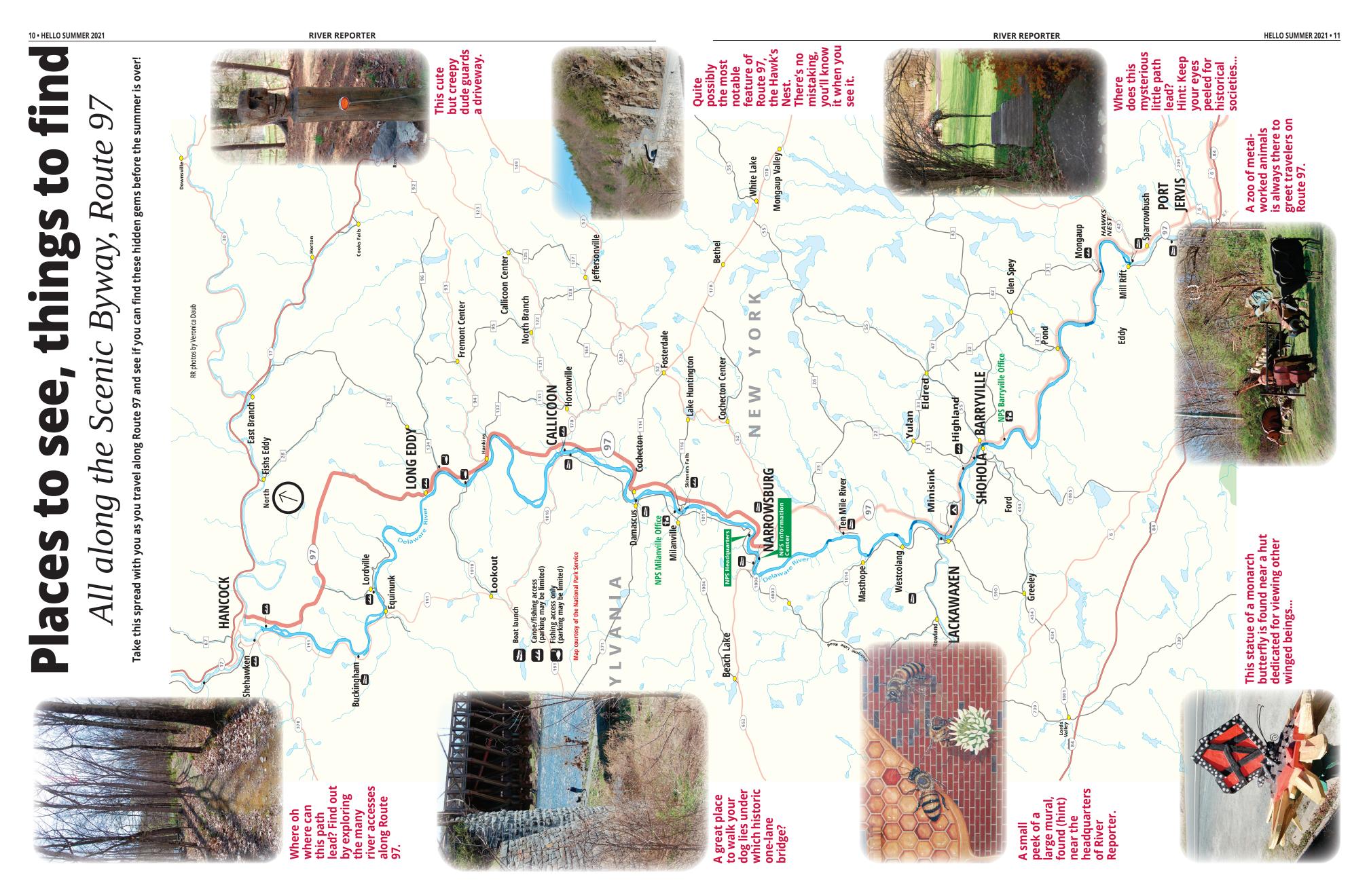


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RIVER REPORTER







Boating on the river makes for a great, adventure-filled day. Know how to stay safe before heading out!

RR photo by Scott Rando

Here at the **River Reporter**, we've known for decades: The National Park Service (NPS) knows what its talking about. Before you get on the river, take a minute to read these tips from NPS to ensure a safe, unforgettable adventure for you and your friends or family (www.nps.gov).

First thing's first: Always wear your life jacket

It's smart to wear a life jacket while boating, tubing, fishing, wading, or swimming: Always wear it when you're on or in the water. By law, all children 12 and under must wear a life jacket while on the river in any vessel, including inner tubes. Every person in a boat or using an inner tube must have a life jacket within reach, not tied to the vessel. Each person's life jacket must be the proper size and in good condition.

The Upper Delaware River, at its average water level, has only a few Class I or II rapids. However, moving water can be deceptive and potentially treacherous, even for non-paddlers. More drownings on the Delaware River have been swimming-related than boating-related; most drownings occur when boaters stop and swim. In all cases, the victims were not wearing a properly fitted life jacket.

Never swim alone!

Do not overestimate your swimming ability. Do not attempt to swim or wade across the river. The Delaware River has strong currents and steep drop-offs. Swimming becomes more difficult with increased current and water depth. Even the strongest of swimmers should be extremely cautious.

Be aware of river conditions

Call the Upper Delaware River Hotline at 845/252-7100. This recorded message is available 24 hours a day

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and is updated daily during the boating season. It provides the river height, air and water temperatures, boating conditions and general river safety information. Be aware of upstream releases and sudden changes in water depth and speed.

Always tell someone where you are going and when you expect to return

Arrange drop-off and pick-up points before you leave. Leave emergency phone numbers, vehicle descriptions and tag numbers with someone who can report that you are overdue.

Keep these points in mind as you enjoy a day of swimming and boating in the river:

- River rocks can be very slippery.
- \bullet Shoes will protect against sharp glass and rocks.
- Always stay with your group.
- Guard yourself against sunburn by wearing a hat and light clothing and by using sunscreen with a high rating.
 - \bullet Cold water and/or weather can cause hypothermia.
- Stay hydrated, but do not drink river or stream water; even clean water can have natural bacteria.
- Do not jump or dive from cliffs, rocks, or bridges into the river; the water may be shallow and objects can be submerged. Rivers are constantly changing, especially

Emergency contact numbers:

If you have questions or need assistance, look for National Park Service rangers or volunteers who are there to help.

In an emergency, call 911.

National Park Service 24 Hour Dispatch: 570/426-2457 New York State Police

Sullivan County: 845/252-3212 Orange County: 845/856-6500 Delaware County: 607/467-3215

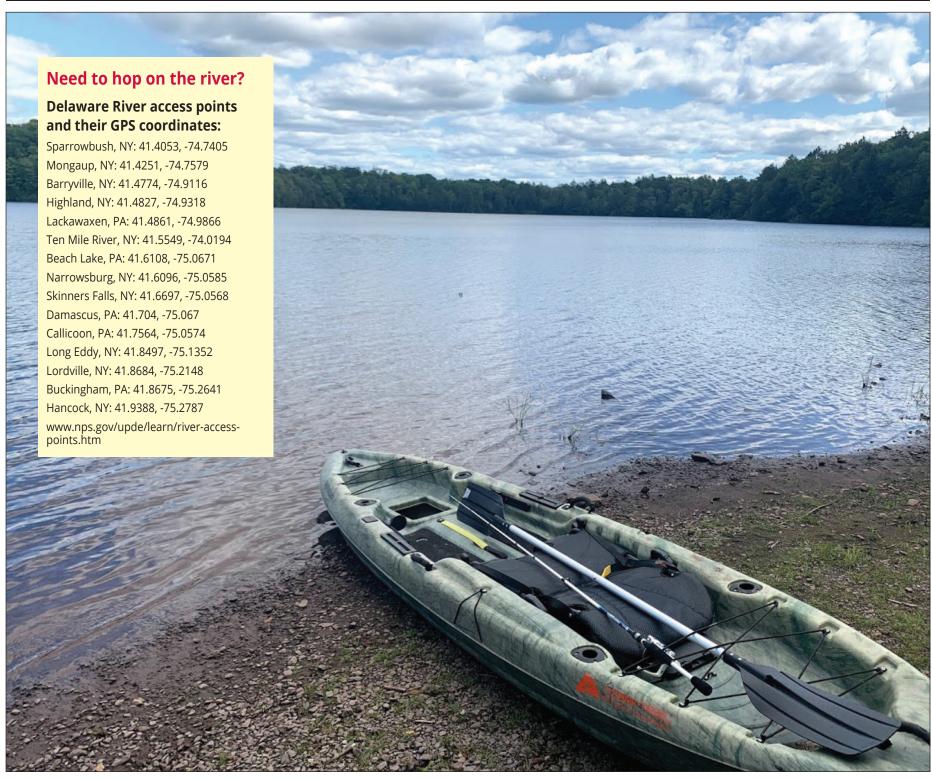
Pennsylvania State Police Honesdale: 570/253-7126

Blooming Grove: 570/775-7374

Be aware that cell phones may not work along the river.

with high water. Rocks can show up in places they never were before.

- Never attempt to swim across the river. Even the strongest swimmers can become fatigued. A large number of drownings occur this way.
- Alcohol and boating are a killer combination! It can enhance heat-related illnesses and slow your response in an emergency. Laws on underage drinking, possession and use of illegal drugs, disorderly conduct and littering are strictly enforced.
- Avoid obstacles in the water well in advance. Stop and scout rapids to pick the best channel.
- Never tie your life jacket to your boat.
- Bring a spare paddle, a throw line, and a first aid kit.
- Do not stand in your boat. Kneel when canoeing in rapids to keep your weight low. This helps avoid capsizing. In rapids, aim for the downstream "V".



- Paddle on opposite sides of the canoe. Hold onto your paddle, not the boat.
- Always be courteous on the river. You may encounter a variety of river users on your trip. Please respect their rights and act responsibly and ethically.

And if you capsize...

- Don't panic—save people first! Retrieve boats and equipment only if it can be done safely.
- Stay upstream of the boat so it does not pin you against a rock.
- Don't attempt to stand in rapids. Your foot could become trapped between submerged rocks. The current can be strong enough to push you over and hold you under even if you are wearing a life jacket. Get on your back and keep your feet up and pointed downstream to push off obstacles.
- Never swim against the current. Backstroke and let the current naturally take you to shore.

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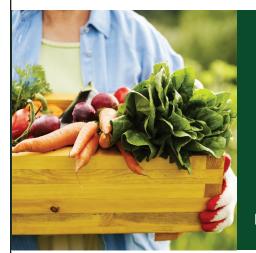
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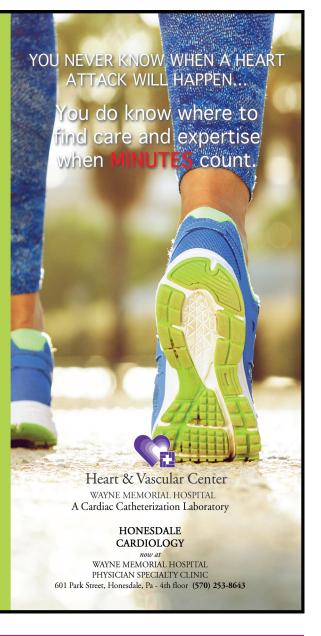
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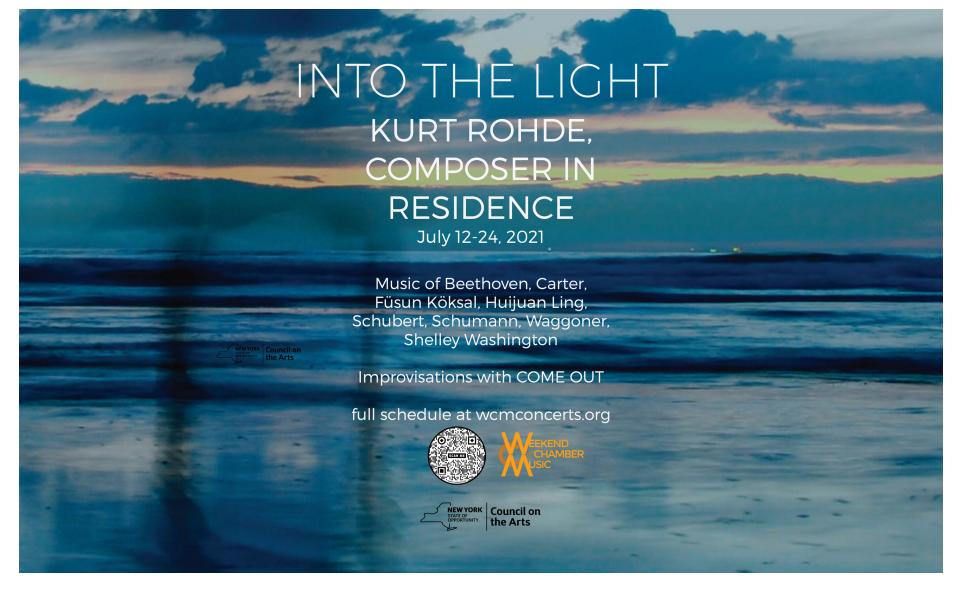
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On the New York side:

Delaware Highlands Conservancy

845/583-1010 • www.delawarehighlands. org

3512 Rte. 97, Barryville, NY

About:

"The Delaware Highlands Conservancy (DHC) is an accredited land trust dedicated to conserving the natural heritage and quality of life in the Upper Delaware River region in partnership with the region's landowners and communities."

DHC offers various outdoor educational opportunities, such as a hike to learn about the area's native plants, or a workshop to learn how to fell a tree safely. There are also many resources for landowners to better protect and care for their land.

Indian Head Canoes

845/557-8777 • www.indianheadcanoes. com

3883 Rte. Barryville, NY | 1036 Rte. 97, Sparrowbush, NY | 1138 Delaware Dr., Matamoras, PA

About:

Indian Head offers rafting, canoeing, kayaking and tubing at three locations on the Delaware River: Barryville, NY; Sparrowbush, NY; and Matamoras, PA. Visitors can camp in log cabins, deluxe cabins, bunkhouses, or set up a tent on the campgrounds.

Kittatinny

800/356-2852 • www.kittatinny.com 3854 Rte. 97, Barryville, NY | 2389 Rte. 97, Pond Eddy, NY | 1147 Delaware Dr., Matamoras, PA | 2130 Rte. 739, Dingmans Ferry, PA | 378 Rte. 6 & 209, Milford, PA

About:

Kittatinny covers 120 miles of the Delaware River with bases in Barryville, NY; Pond Eddy, NY; Matamoras, PA; Dingmans Ferry, PA; and Milford, PA.

Beyond facilitating trips down both the Delaware and Lackawaxen rivers, Kittatinny offers dual racing zip lines and paintball adventures.

The Outside Institute

845/557-6058 • www.theoutsideinstitute.org 995 Rte. 55, Eldred, NY

About:

"The Outside Institute was founded in 2017 in the Upper Delaware Valley with a mission to inspire joyful awareness and essential reciprocity between all beings, regardless of species or race. [Its] year-round [programming] includes guided nature walks, forest immersion, sustainable foraging education, wildcrafting workshops and botanical mixology. We often collaborate with experts in botany, herbalism, plant dyes, natural cosmetics and more."



RR photo by Sandy Long

A boating tip from RR outdoor adventurer Sandy Long: "Kayaks and canoes provide the perfect water vehicles to explore the otherwise difficult to access coves of lakes and ponds where a variety of plant and animal life can be observed."

Roscoe Campsite Park

607/498-5264 • www.roscoecampsitepark.

2179 Old Rte. 17, Roscoe, NY

About:

At Roscoe Campsite Park, on the banks of the Beaverkill River, "Hiking trails are abundant, and visitors can enjoy searching for signs of wildlife, including white-tailed deer and red foxes. For biking enthusiasts, there are hundreds of miles of exploratory paths. Besides hiking, birding, and fly fishing, plenty of family-friendly adventures, including kayaking, fishing and tubing. are all available."

Beyond tent sites, Roscoe Campsite Park offers cabins and covered Conestoga wagons for guests to rent.

Sullivan County Dove Trail

Multiple locations: visit www. sullivancatskills.com/interactive-dove-map

About:

"The Sullivan Catskills Dove Trail© commemorates the 50th anniversary of the 1969 Woodstock Festival and celebrates its impact on [the] Sullivan Catskills. It's a collection of 50 dove sculptures perched in villages, towns and at several tourism businesses. Each permanently mounted dove is hand-painted by a professional local artist and inspired by the legendary event held here in 1969."

Take your family and friends on a road trip across Sullivan County and try to find them all.

Landers River Trips

3909 Rte. 97, Barryville, NY

800/252-3925 • www.landersrivertrips.com 40 Skinners Falls West, Narrowsburg, NY 69 De Mauro Ln., Narrowsburg, NY

Landers River Trips is "a family-owned and operated business founded in 1955 by Bob Lander. Landers offers eight different riverside locations to launch rafts, canoes and kayaks from and three riverside campgrounds."

The Skinners Falls Campground "is perfectly suited for the young at heart who enjoy late nights around the campfire and ongoing activity. Riverfront sites, lean-to sites and open-field sites available, located within walking distance from Skinners Falls." The Narrowsburg Campground "is located at the midpoint/heart of most river trips... [and]

also offers electric sites and a large selection of wooded sites." The Minisink Ford Campground offers "a quiet, more intimate camping experience... a favorite choice for families who like to get away from it all."

And across the river into Pennsylvania:

Bushkill Falls

570/588-6682 • www.visitbushkillfalls.com 138 Bushkill Falls Trail, Bushkill, PA

About:

"The 'Niagara of Pennsylvania,' Bushkill Falls is among the Keystone State's most famous scenic attractions. This unique series of eight waterfalls, nestled deep in the wooded Pocono Mountains, is accessible through a network of hiking trails and bridges which afford fabulous views of the falls and the surrounding forest."

Beyond hiking trails, Bushkill Falls offers opportunities for guests to fish, mine for gemstones, use paddleboats and more.

Delaware and Hudson Canal

570/685-4871 • www.nps.gov/upde/learn/historyculture/dhcanal.htm

274 River Rd., Beach Lake, PA

About:

"The Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River includes portions of the historic Delaware and Hudson Canal. Constructed from 1825 to 1829—with 16 miles of gravity railway and 108 locks over a 108-mile canal—it was built to transport anthracite coal from mines in northeastern Pennsylvania to markets on the Hudson River. Portions of the D & H Canal were designated a National Historic Landmark in 1968."

Roebling Aqueduct Bridge

570/685-4871 • www.nps.gov/upde/learn/historyculture/roeblingbridge.htm/index.htm

Route 590 Lackawaxen, PA

About:

"The Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River is the home of the oldest existing wire suspension bridge in the United States: the Delaware Aqueduct, or Roebling Bridge as it is now known. Begun in 1847, as one of four suspension aqueducts on the Delaware and Hudson Canal, it was designed by and built under the supervision of John A. Roebling, future engineer of the Brooklyn Bridge."

The Delaware Aqueduct was designated a National Historic Landmark and a National Civil Engineering Landmark in 1968.

Lacawac Sanctuary

570/689-9494 • www.lacawac.org 94 Sanctuary Rd., Lake Ariel, PA

About:

Lacawac Sanctuary has a mission to "preserve the natural beauty of Lake Lacawac, its watershed and surrounding lands; to conduct long-term research on natural systems as part of a global effort to understand and protect the Earth's biodiversity; and to increase appreciation of this effort through innovative, field-based educational programs



RR photo by Scott Rando

Watch your step, and don't scream! The area is home to many species of wildlife, and most likely, they're more scared of you than you are of them. Feel free to observe from a distance, but try to leave the critters be.

for students, teachers and the community. Nestled on 550 acres near the shores of Lake Wallenpaupack in the Northern Poconos, Lacawac Sanctuary is a mix between an environmental education center, nature center and biological field station."

Lacawac Sanctuary hosts multiple week-long summer camps, educational workshops, artists' residences, a variety of themed hikes, and meetings and retreats. The public is invited to take self-guided hikes on the grounds; visit www.lacawactrails.org for detailed information.

Pocono Environmental Education Center

570/828-2319 • www.peec.org 538 Emery Rd., Dingmans Ferry, PA 18328

About:

"The Pocono Environmental Education Center (PEEC) is located within the 77,000-acre Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, along the Delaware River... PEEC is an independent nonprofit organization and a 44-year education partner of the National Park Service."

PEEC offers summer day camps and a wide variety of programs, many of which teach new hobbies like snowshoeing and birdwatching.



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Plenty of room to spread out with a living room and den. This 3-bedroom, 3-bath Hancock, NY home has a basement that could be finished for extra living space. Good deer hunting and great fishing. 1700 feet of river frontage on the Beaverkill. The frontage is across Old Route 17, a bit of a walk, but the house is high and dry with no flood issues. Gardens, fruit trees and even a shed for all of your toys. \$250,000



The perfect off the grid getaway. Good spring and septic for all the conveniences, but no electric bill every month. This 2-bedroom, one bath cabin has everything you need including propane and electric lights. Great trails throughout this 49-acre parcel. One bedroom and a sleeper sofa in the living room. Propane refrigerator. Small generator included. Colchester, NY \$200,000



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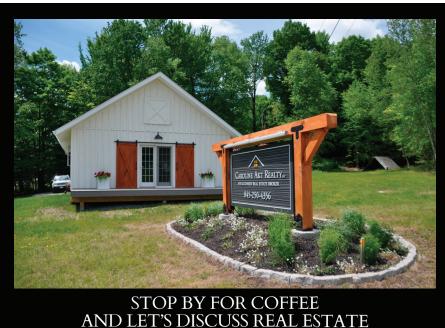




RR photos by Veronica Daub Spot this view right outside of Port Jervis, NY.



This editor's favorite spot to swim in the summertime, Skinners Falls.





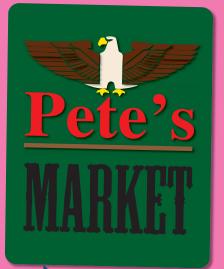


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