#### Bird Walk at Yellow Creek State

Park Saturday, March 30 at 8 am Meet: Yellow Creek State Park Office

Join the Todd Bird Club as they look for migrating waterfowl on Yellow Creek Lake. The wide variety of water birds makes this one of the top five birding destinations in PA. We will meet at the Park Office and drive to several locations near the lake for short walks.

## Dr. Kevin Patrick's Architecture Walk in Downtown Indiana

Saturday, March 30 at 10 am Meet: IRMC Park, N. 7th Street, Indiana, PA

Enjoy a walk and lively stories with Dr. Kevin Patrick as he leads us on an architectural tour of Indiana Borough. The buildings and history of the town will come to life in listening to the tales.

#### Black Bear Walk with Game

Warden Saturday, April 6 at 10 am <u>Meet</u>: Blairsville Riverfront Trail at South Water and West Brown Streets in Blairsville. Game Warden, Chris Reidmiller, will lead a walk on the Blairsville Riverfront Trail and talk about Black Bears. Learn about their preferred habitat, their life cycle and their biology.

# Explore the Vision for the Allegheny Arboretum's Confluence Park

Saturday, April 27 at 10 am Meet: Gravel parking lot off of 13th at Rose Street, access across the RR tracks, Indiana, PA Please join Allegheny Arboretum Chair, Dr. Jerry Pickering, for a walk through the area called Confluence Park. Dr. Pickering will share what is being envisioned for this 16 acre wetland area south of the KCAC to restore, protect, and inspire.

# Family Fitness Challenge at Healthy Kids Day at the YMCA

Saturday, April 27 time TBD Meet: Indiana County YMCA Ben Franklin Road, Indiana, PA Are you the Fittest Family in Indiana County? Families can enter a fitness challenge that includes family based activities to test your strength, endurance, balance, coordination, cooperation and problem solving skills. Join the fun! For information and time of the event, please call the YMCA of Indiana County at 724-463-9622.

Art and Music Walk in Downtown Indiana Saturday, May 4 at 10 am Meet: Artists Hand Gallery 732 Philadelphia St, Indiana, PA Join Artists Hand Gallery owner Brian Jones and musician Lynne Jones for a walk to enjoy the art and music of Downtown Indiana. Enjoy learning about our prominent and hidden art treasures as well as enjoy some local music along the way.

**Bridge Tales and Trails** Saturday, May 11 at 10 am

<u>Meet</u>: The Saltsburg Playground at near the Trailhead on Water Street in Saltsburg

Join West Penn Trail engineer, Jack Maguire, for a walk on the Westmoreland Heritage Trail including stories of the unique bridges that are part of this trail. We'll learn how volunteers accomplished the bridge and trail work. Historic *before* photos will be shared as part of the walk.

#### Mothers Day Walk & Tea Sunday, May 12 at 2 pm

<u>Meet</u>: Yellow Creek State Park Environmental Education Center Join Cindy Rogers for a walk to identify the wildflowers growing in the area and learn about their uses. After the walk enjoy treats and beverages using some of the plants you've just seen. Please preregister by emailing limeadows@ pa.gov by 5/9

## **Cemetery Walk with Dr. Stacey**

Patrick Saturday, May 18 at 10 am Meet: St. Bernard Cemetery in front of the mausoleum near the corner of 1st and Oak Streets, Indiana, PA Join Dr. Stacey Patrick on a walking tour through St. Bernard's Cemetery. We'll learn meanings of common grave marker symbolism, examine some beautiful handcrafted folk grave markers, and explore the cemetery as a rich resource in understanding local histories.

### Explore the Treasures of Pine Ridge Park Saturday, May 25 at 10 am

<u>Meet</u>: Pine Ridge Park Pavilion #3 in Burrell Township (first pavilion of the park)

Ed Patterson, Parks Director, will lead us on a walk of the Tom's Run area and part of Tom's Run Trail in Pine Ridge Park, one of the hidden treasures of Indiana County Parks & Trails. Learn about its history and amenities – trout stream, pavilions, lodge, pond, disc golf and hiking/ skiing trails.

# Nature Palooza Saturday, June 1 from 10 am - 3 pm

<u>Meet</u>: Blue Spruce Park Join the Decathlon Team and many other community organizations for a fun, family day enjoying nature at Blue Spruce Park. Walk the paths and enjoy the activities. We will wrap up our Decathlon event with a raffle drawing for prizes at 1 pm for participants who turned in cards with 10 stamps to the YMCA by May 30. Prizes are limited.



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