

Winter Wonderland Nature Walk at the Mary Immaculate Center

The Bertsch-Hokendauqua-Catasauqua Watershed Association sponsors a Winter Wonderland Nature Walk at the Mary Immaculate Center.

The Bertsch-Hokendauqua-Catasauqua Watershed Association, in cooperation with the Mary Immaculate Center, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, and the Lehigh Township Historical Society invite the public to enjoy a Winter Walk through the beautifully preserved grounds of the Mary Immaculate Center, located between Cherryville and Indian Trail Roads in Lehigh and Allen Townships. Program participants will meet at the Indian Trail Park parking lot at the corners of Indian Trail Road & Route 248 at 11:45am. We will leave the parking lot promptly at 12 noon for a modest walk at a comfortable pace to appreciate the beauty of nature in winter. The duration of the walk is approximately 2 hours. Interpretive naturalists will be in attendance to enhance understanding of all the wonderful natural and cultural resources present on this extraordinary property (one of the largest contiguous forested tracts in the Lehigh Valley). Expect to learn about identifying trees (without foliage), animal tracks, and learn the history of the area & grounds. We will make sure you and your family have a great time and maybe even learn something new.

This outing is part of the BHCWA's Educational program, which combines discovery, adventure, healthy outdoor recreation and environmental education & stewardship. Participants should wear appropriate outdoor clothing including warm supportive footwear, gloves, hat, and protective jacket incase of inclement weather (strongly recommended). Bring binoculars, cameras, and appropriate field guides if you have them (optional).

This program is sponsored and offered free-of-charge by the Bertsch-Hokendauqua-Catasauqua Watershed Association, the Lehigh Valley's newest community watershed organization. BHCWA is committed to protecting and conserving watersheds and water resources throughout an 80-square-mile region in the northern reach of the lower Lehigh River Valley, and educating the public about these critical natural resources. For more information about the Bertsch-Hokendauqua-Catasauqua Watershed Association and for free membership, log onto www.bhcwa.com. For more information about the February 27th Winter Wonderland Nature Walk or to register for future programs, contact Rick Ritter, BHCWA, at 610-462-5674, or via email to ricklin6@aol.com.