Woodcrest Villa Nature Trail & Arboretum

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Woodcrest Villa Arboretum is Dedicated To Those Recognized with Trees

Two Special Opportunities for Woodcrest Villa's Nature Lovers



Join Woodcrest's Workshop On Making Our Campus Nature Friendly

Date: Friday, November 18, 2022

Time: 2:00 PM

Location: Gamber Auditorium

Woodcrest Villa was chosen to participate in workshops to learn how to make our campus nature friendly with help from:

- Lancaster Clean Water Partners
- Lancaster Conservancy -Community Wildlife Habitat
- Land Studies

Join us to learn about sustainable landscape practices, practices that bring nature back. If you like birds and butterflies, this workshop will be planning on how to bring them back.

This initiative focuses on helping Woodcrest Villa learn about and plan sustainable landscaping on their campus. The approach includes sessions with residents to prepare a guide to use native landscape alternatives.

Any Woodcrest resident or staff member that wants to learn about making our campus nature friendly should come.

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America's Leading Ecologist, Doug Tallamy, to Speak

"Nature's Best Hope"

Date: Sunday, December 4, 2022

Time" 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Location: Highland Presbyterian Church

500 East Roseville Rd, Lancaster

Native plants support the insects and ultimately the billions of birds that inhabit our ecosystem. Planting native plants, instead of plants native to other continents, is one of the best things



a homeowner can do to support wildlife, sustain food production, and protect our watersheds. Dr. Tallamy will talk about his research and discuss how this conservation practice empowers everyone to play a significant role in the future of the natural world, and thus our own future.

Dr. Doug Tallamy is an excellent speaker with fantastic nature photography.

Tickets are free but you must register at: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/natures-best-hope-with-doug-tallamy-tickets-414947468047 or call John Carpenter x2814 or Steve Henning x7116.



Work on Little Conestoga Blue/Green Corridor To Begin

Work crews are expected to descend on a 2.5-mile section of the Little Conestoga behind Woodcrest Villa to restore the area to the functional floodplain that is instrumental to stopping the flow of dirt and nutrients into the Little Conestoga, Susquehanna River and, ultimately the Chesapeake Bay.

Three years in the making, work to rehabilitate this section of the Little Conestoga finally starts this month. It will start near Marietta Avenue and work toward the area between Woodcrest Villa and Park City.

Over the next three years, construction crews will be working along the creek from Marietta Avenue north to Shreiner Station Road carving the streambank back to a gentle slope, planting grass, trees and shrubs suited for floodplain habitat and building a 2.7-mile winding trail.

While there will be many recreational opportunities enhanced by the project, such as bird-watching, kayaking and canoeing, the 2.7-mile trail is the tangible new amenity being

created hand in hand with the stream restoration work.

It will be a non-motorized path suitable for walking, running, biking and cross-country skiing, and it will be handicapped accessible.

More information is available at LCCBGC.org.

Donations Change

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