

# Fair Hill Nature Center

## February 2004

### WHAT' S THE BUZZ ?

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Saturday, March 6 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm MAPLE SUGARING**

Sugar from a tree? How can that be? Tap the tree and boil up a taste of real maple syrup. Members free/nonmembers \$3.00.

**Saturday, March 6 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm BLUEBIRD PROGRAM**

Attract these wonderful birds to your neighborhood. The workshop will cover nest box construction, predator control, monitoring, food and habitat needs and more. \$6.00 nest box materials fee for all and an additional fee of \$3.00 for nonmembers.

**Friday, March 19 (rain date on 20th) 8:00 pm – 9:30 pm STARRY, STARRY NIGHT**

Join astronomer **Linda Tinsman** in viewing the spring heavens at Fair Hill the way you've never seen them before! Bring a blanket, warm clothes, a flashlight, and your sense of wonder as you view the best show ever – our universe. Members free/nonmembers \$3.00.

**Saturday, March 20 9:00 am – 1:00 pm TRAIL MAINTENANCE DAY**

Make some new friends while cleaning and trimming our trails and sprucing up the grounds around the Nature Center. Scout troops, school volunteer groups, or individuals interested in short term community service projects, Trails Day is a great opportunity. Spread the word! Lunch will be served to all volunteers. The work is interesting and you'll feel good that you helped a great program. Give the Nature Center a call if you're planning to help – they will need a rough count for meals.

**Friday, April 16 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm FROG FRENZY (and bonfire snack)**

Why do frogs sing in the spring? Learn about our local amphibian friends and take an early evening walk to hear the "froggy chorus" in the wetlands. Afterwards, you'll be welcomed by a bonfire and refreshments. Recommended for children age 4 and older. Bring a flashlight and a curious child or grandchild! Members free/nonmembers \$3.00.

**Saturday, April 17 10:00 am WILDFLOWER WALK**

Bring a camera & hike with our naturalist to identify & photograph spring flowers.

Nature Center programs are great for nature lovers, outdoor enthusiasts of all ages, families and organizations such as Scout groups. Family memberships and group memberships are available for \$30. Groups with over 12 members are \$50.

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The Nature Center is part of the Fair Hill Environmental Foundation, Inc. The Foundation is a private, non-profit natural history and environmental learning center serving students and adults from the Tri-State area of northeastern Maryland, southeastern Pennsylvania, and northern Delaware. Our goal is to promote responsible stewardship through an appreciation and understanding of our environment. We envision a regional community where people respect, protect, and preserve the natural environment and its resources. We need and welcome the support of individual citizens, the business community, and other organizations to continue this path forward. Join us as a member today!

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS !!**

# **SpringFest 2004**

**Saturday, May 1**

**9:00 am to 4:00 pm**

**Cecil County Fairgrounds**

- **Arts & Crafts Vendors!**
- **Children's Games & Crafts**
- **Stream Search**
- **Live Music All Day!**
- **Great Food!**
- **4H Demonstrations!**
- **Moon Bounce, Pony Rides**
- **Meet our snakes & turtle**
- **Garden Plant Sale**
- **Homemade Ice Cream!**

**And "Trails To Treasure!" This is much more fun than the lottery. It's a raffle with a "nature twist." Take a pleasant spring stroll on the beautiful Fair Hill property and increase your chances of winning! Either way, by purchasing a ticket you're directly supporting the Nature Center. Call the Nature Center for more information today.**

**Work for a local business? Have your company recognized by your neighbors as a Nature Center partner. Sponsorship opportunities range from \$2000 to \$100. Call for details.**

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