

NEWS RELEASE

From the Brodhead Watershed Association

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Annual River Ramble turns to creeks in the east

Explore the parks, waterfalls and more environmental treasures of the Marshalls Creek watershed during the annual River Ramble, 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 6.

The eco-tour will start at the Middle Smithfield Township offices, 147 Municipal Drive, East Stroudsburg.

Participants will tour natural highlights along a mapped driving route, each spot staffed by some of the area's finest naturalists eager to share their knowledge and love of the watershed.

Stops will feature a talk on the natural history of the valley, a beaver-created pond/creek system, a jaunt at Judy Putek Park with a renowned bug expert, the secrets of operating the Oak Grove Multi-Municipal Leaf Composting Facility, and little-known facts about the area's geography.

Ramblers will also visit public areas on the Resica Falls Scout Reservation to see the falls and hear about the camp's conservation efforts.

Afterward, enjoy good food and conversation at the traditional after-Ramble party, 4 to 5 p.m. at the Resica Park pavilion behind Resica Elementary School.

Suggested donation is \$10 for BWA members, \$15 for nonmembers, with a \$2 discount for pre-registering by Aug. 2. Children under 12 attend for free. The after-party is included in the cost.

To register, see brodheadwatershed.org/riverramble.html. For information, call 570-839-1120 or email info@brodheadwatershed.org.

RAIN BARREL WORKSHOP: In an optional pre-Ramble workshop starting at noon at the Middle Smithfield Township offices, participants can learn about the finer points of building a rain barrel. The \$30 donation for the workshop includes a rain barrel to take home and one free admission to Ramble. To reserve your spot (and your barrel), email Annette at aatkinson@mstowship.com. Please pay at the door.

Brodhead Watershed Association is a nonprofit environmental organization formed in 1989. BWA is dedicated to protecting and preserving water resources and the environment of the Brodhead watershed, and the water quality of the Brodhead, Cherry, Marshalls, McMichael, Paradise and Pocono creeks and their tributaries. BWA assists municipalities, residents, businesses and groups with protecting natural resources through education, workshops, seminars, public programs and stream monitoring. For information: info@brodheadwatershed.org or 570-839-1120.