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From the Brodhead Watershed Association

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Caption 1: Skytop Lodge

2023 BWA Annual Members and Friends Celebration

Join the Brodhead Watershed Association as we recognize the contributions of our conservation partners, members, and friends while celebrating our collective efforts to promote the protection and preservation of clean, abundant water throughout the Brodhead and Cherry Creek watersheds. Our celebration will be hosted on Thursday October 19, 2023 from 6:00 to 9:00 PM at the historic Skytop Lodge in Barrett Township.

Dr. Paul Wilson, ESU Associate Professor of Biology, will be our keynote speaker - delivering an address on restoration and resiliency within the watershed which includes ongoing efforts to protect the wetlands and unique ecosystem of Cherry Creek.

Special guest Ron Dickey, Ph.D., professional photographer, will feature captivating imagery along with an engaging and interactive dialogue which will focus on one of the most beloved and sought-after backyard birds of the Poconos and beyond – the Hummingbird.

This year, BWA is honoring Edie Stevens in recognition of her lifelong dedication and commitment to clean water, conservation, activism, and advocacy throughout the Poconos. As a founder of BWA, Stevens has guided its mission and efforts since its inception in 1989 - paving the way for all that the Association is today.

We are also honoring the Brodhead Forest and Stream Association in recognition of their long withstanding partnership and support of BWA. Since 1929, BFSA has been committed to the protection and preservation of forests, and the propagation and preservation thereon of game and fish, and for the hunting and catching of the same.

The evening will feature entertainment by Joe O'Malley Music with a cash bar, dinner buffet, and dessert. BWA's annual online auction fundraiser will also be live throughout the duration of the event.

Reservations are required. Tickets are a \$60 donation for BWA members; \$65 donation for non-members, on sale through October 17th.

WHAT: BWA's Annual Members and Friends Celebration

WHEN: Thursday October 19, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

WHERE: Skytop Lodge - 1 Skytop Dr, Skytop, PA 18357

TICKETS: \$60 Members; \$65 non-members

REGISTRATION: Required. To register, please visit:

<https://shop.brodheadwatershed.org/product/celebration-2023/>

CONTACT: For questions or more information, please visit www.brodheadwatershed.org, call 570-839-1120, or email admin@brodheadwatershed.org.

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.

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