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**BWA names Shukaitis as 2013 honoree, celebrates 24 years of watershed protection.**

Delaware River champion Nancy Shukaitis will be honored for decades of service to conservation at this year's Brodhead Watershed Association membership dinner.

Shukaitis led and inspired efforts to stop the Tocks Island Dam project on the Delaware River in the 1960s and is regarded by many as the driving force behind creation of the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area. The work she and other dedicated residents did stopped the dam, kept the Delaware free-flowing, and led to conversion of the property condemned for the dam into a gem-quality national park. She went on to become a Monroe County Commissioner, an author, and a renowned protector of the environment who is still fighting to preserve natural resources.

She will be honored by the BWA on Thursday, Oct. 3, at the Shawnee Inn and Golf Resort, Shawnee-on-Delaware. The evening begins with cocktails at 6 p.m. and a dinner and program starting at 7 p.m.

The evening's festivities include a presentation by Carl Wilgus, executive director of the Pocono Mountains Visitors Bureau, on the importance of the Delaware River as a natural asset underpinning the tourism economy here plus a slide show retrospective of the BWA. A Silent Auction rounds out the evening's activities.

Reservations and ticket purchase are required in advance and by contacting the BWA at [brodheadwatershed@gmail.com](mailto:brodheadwatershed@gmail.com) or (570) 839-1120. Tickets are \$36 for members and \$41 for nonmembers.

You can learn more about the celebration by going on the BWA website at [www.brodheadwatershed.org](http://www.brodheadwatershed.org)

**The Brodhead Watershed Association** is a non-profit 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. The BWA assists municipalities, residents, businesses and groups with protecting natural resources through education, workshops, seminars, public programs and stream monitoring.

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