

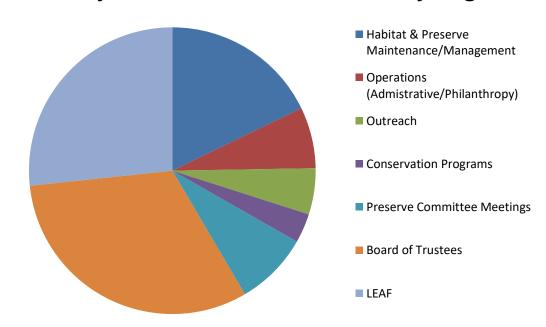
Pennsylvania Volunteer News January 2019

Pennsylvania Volunteer Program 2018

Volunteers give us a bigger vision. Knowing that we have their resources to help us accomplish our work gives us confidence that if we set ambitious goals we can (and will) reach them! Each year, the Pennsylvania Program employs hundreds of volunteers to carry out the mission of The Nature Conservancy across the state and beyond.

Year after year, we continue to see that our Pennsylvania Volunteers allow us to achieve more. Although contributions made by volunteers go well beyond just how many hours we tally, it is a way to measure our success. With that, it is a pleasure to report that a total of **272** volunteers contributed **4,821** hours to our efforts in Pennsylvania for 2018. This equates to approximately **2** ¾ full-time employees with an estimated value of approximately **\$120K.**

2018 Pennsylvania Volunteer Contributions by Program



VOLUNTEER TREE OF SERVICE

PLATINUM

Jeralyn Adams
Elisa Barbis
Mike Bertram
Pat Bidlake
Dave Clemens
Charlie Denkenberger
Andy Gardner

Patti Gress
Ann Harmon
Hank Hartman
Trebbe Johnson
Jim Kessler
Bill Kimmich
John McConnell

Mary McConnell Ray Milewski Ron Milliken Candace Roper Ray Roper Jerry Skinner Mike Solomon Henry Spering
Mary Spering
Joyce Stone
Kent Wagner
Mike Waltz
Henry Whitesel

GOLD

Bob Barker
Terri Barr
Barbara Checchi
Kay Davies
Ruth Galantino
Paula Giorgio
Rocky Gleason

Mike Gondell Rob Gregory Sam Griffin Jim Hannan Bob Heintzelman Diann Holder <u>Alan K</u>agan Ellen Kagan Gene Katapski Paris Ligi Evan Mann John Moesta Sharon Renz Dave Scamardella

Ed Schirra
Dawson Smith
Bob Snyder
Janet Tedesco
Tim Tedesco
Nancy Wottrich

SILVER

Peter Appell Barb Baer Bob Gray Daniel Hebner Chris Hoess Jason Lentz David Moskowitz David Ross

BRONZE

Naoko Adachi Marge Brennan Jennifer Esch Andrea Hinz Anna Hull Kathy King Doug Klieger Don Lysle IJene Nelson Trish Newdeck

Laura Newgard Ron Notvest Tracy Raymond Rodney Stark Shirley Stark Karen Trebitz Tama Troutman Judy Walsh Cha Yang

PLATINUM: More than 20 years of service and/or 1,000+ hours

GOLD: At least 10 years of service and/or 500-999 hours

BRONZE: 100-249 hours



VOLUNTEER WORKDAYS

Monday, January 21st - 10:00 AM

Trash clean-up at the Bristol Marsh Preserve

Please join us in honor of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday and Day of Service to clean-up trash and clear debris at the Bristol Marsh and Croydon Woods Preserves (Bristol, PA in lower Bucks County). The more trash we collect, the less will get washed into our waterways!

**Immediately after the cleanup, join us for a FREE pizza lunch to learn about the Lower Bucks Environmental Stewardship Team (LBEST) and start discussing plans for 2019.

Please register online <u>here</u>.

For more information/directions, please contact Molly Anderson at molly_anderson@tnc.org or (717) 418-9518.

We are in the process of finalizing project needs and workday dates for the rest of the winter and into the coming spring season.

Stay tuned for lots of great projects in need of your time and energy!

FIELD TRIPS/EVENTS

Storytelling and Stargazing

Wednesday, January 23rd from 6:30 - 8:30 PM at the Hauser Nature Center (Monroe County)

Join The Nature Conservancy for an enchanting collection of Indian and nature-related stories and legends that will entertain children and adults alike. Darryl Speicher of Pocono Avian Research Center delights us with Native American folktales by weaving the mythological and natural worlds together to provide a magical evening for the imagination.

If the skies are clear, we'll top off this evening with a walk under the stars. Perfect for children of all ages.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED: Register by calling: 570-643-7922 or email jcase@tnc.org. For more information/directions, please click here.

A suggested donation of \$5 per person is requested for this event. Children under 12 are free.

MORE NEWS

Welcome

We wish to extend a very warm welcome and many thanks to our new volunteers who have recently registered to join our great team.

Please join me in welcoming Brent and Elizabeth Hooker as well as Brandon Kahn.

We look forward to working with you all this year.

Welcome to the team!

The Nature Conservancy

10 Groups to Watch in 2019

LET'S BE FRANK: 2018 was not exactly a banner year for the planet. Nearly every major environmental assessment presented grim results. We still have a chance to turn things around, though. A major body of research led by The Nature Conservancy shows it is still possible to achieve a sustainable future for people and nature—if we take massive action in the next 10 years.

That means we need strong leadership, and not just from the usual suspects—saving the planet must be an all-hands-on-deck effort. To learn more and watch the video, please click here.

The Nature Conservancy in Pennsylvania

2018 Accomplishments Report

Thanks to your support, we have the ability to think big to achieve great conservation results in Pennsylvania and beyond.

We've included some highlights from the past year in this new report. To read the full report, please click here.

Wish List

We are currently seeking donations of the following items:

Wood chipper (In good, working condition)

Pickup Truck (In good, working condition)

If you have these or other items you would like to donate, please contact Molly Anderson at (717) 418-9518

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Nature Trivia

The first to respond with the correct answer to this month's trivia question will win a prize. Please contact Molly Anderson with your answer at (717) 418-9518 or molly_anderson@tnc.org.

January 2019 Question:

How big is/was the world's largest snowman?

Answer for December Trivia: According to the *FactRetriever* <u>site</u>, the average snowflake falls at approximately **3 mph**.

Pennsylvania Volunteer News is produced monthly.

If you have any questions, comments or would like to include an update or announcement in next month's edition, please contact Molly Anderson at molly_anderson@tnc.org or (717) 418-9518 before the 1st of the month.