Greetings!

Here are some events and notes of interest to the Patuxent Riverkeeper community. For more information contact us at (301)579-2073. Please let us know of any errors that should be corrected or if you know of an event that would be of interest to PrK friends at info@paxriverkeeper.org.

Join Us on Facebook

Did you know Patuxent Riverkeeper is on Facebook? Our Facebook page is updated regularly with news, photos, events and updates about river activism. Want to know what going on in the Patuxent watershed - like us on Facebook!

New Inventory in the Store - War of 1812 Map and Children's Books

We’ve added new items to the Patuxent Riverkeeper Online and Water Trail Visitor’s Center Store. Stop by to see the new items or check them out online at http://www.paxriverkeeper.org/store/. New products include a War of 1812 map produced by National Geographic and also children's books.

Garden Harvest Party

September 7, 2013
5pm - 8pm
Patuxent Riverkeeper/EarthReports Demonstration Farm
18600 Queen Anne Road, Upper Marlboro, MD 20774
Join us as we celebrate the harvest. Feel free to bring a homemade offering and your favorite beverage to enjoy at the bonfire.

Spiritual Sojourn Welcome Party

September 9, 2013 7:30 - 10 pm
PrK Water Trail Visitor’s Center in Nottingham

Please join PrK in welcoming a delegation of Methodist women at a way-point in their unique
spiritual journey from the headwaters of our river to the Chesapeake Bay. Enjoy refreshments, merriment and good times at the Patuxent Riverkeeper Water Trail Visitor’s Center. Bring a musical instrument if you have one and a Patuxent yarn to share, if you have neither join us anyway. We'll light a bonfire and celebrate our connections to the waterway with people of any and all faiths or belief systems who share a common love of this great river!

**Prince George’s Environmental Forum**

September 15, 2013 3-5pm  
West Lanham Hills Volunteer Fire Department (Company 48)  
8501 Good Luck Rd, Lanham-Seabrook, MD 20706

Hosted by the Prince George's Sierra Club, the forum will provide information on issues and policies surrounding zero waste, provide an opportunity for residents to learn more about the activities of county environmental groups and encourage greater collaboration and information-sharing among the environmental groups.

**Calvert County Planning Commission Meeting - LNG Export**

September 18, 2013 7 pm  
Courthouse Square  
205 Main St, Prince Frederick, MD

During the regular monthly meeting of the Calvert County Planning Commission text amendments to Zoning Ordinance will be discussed. The proposed amendments will provide exemptions for the Liquid Natural Gas Import or Export Facility at Cove Point to the International Building Code. It is unknown if the Planning Commission will hear public comments during the meeting.

**Gone Fishing Fundraiser**

September 19, 2013

Join Patuxent Riverkeeper Fred Tutman and members of the Board of Directors on a day-long fishing trip on the Chesapeake Bay. The boat will depart from Chesapeake Beach, Maryland. All gear, license and lunch are included. A minimum contribution of $110 is requested to cover costs, additional donations are tax deductible. Call 301-579-2073 ext 7 or email info@paxriverkeeper.org for more information or to reserve your space. Hurry - space is limited.

**St. Mary's River Fest**

September 21, 2013 11 am - 4 pm  
Historic St. Mary's City, Maryland

Celebrate the St. Mary's River with a wade-In with Senator Bernie Fowler (2:00 PM), tall ships, live music & dance, exhibits & demonstrations, kayak & sailing, seining & oyster tonging, facepainting, pumpkin painting, crafts, artwork, tee shirts, food & drink.  
For more information visit: [http://smrwa.org/riverfest.html](http://smrwa.org/riverfest.html)

**Ocean Conservancy International Coastal Cleanup**

September 21, 2013 9am to 1pm

Join volunteers around the world in the Ocean Conservancy's International Coastal Cleanup. to find a site near you visit: [www.signuptocleanup.org](http://www.signuptocleanup.org)
Farmers and Ranchers Workshop Series

Tuesday September 24th 3-6 pm
Patuxent Riverkeeper/EarthReports Demonstration Farm
18600 Queen Anne Road; Upper Marlboro, MD 20774

Transitioning to Organics
Fred Tutman (Patuxent Riverkeeper) and Jose Castillo
(Agronomer and Organic Farmer on EarthReports Demonstration Farm) will collaboratively walk through with USDA resource people, experienced organic farmers, and community based organizations to explore the key elements in a feasibility/business plan for a farm moving from conventional to organic agriculture.

Light Refreshments Will Be Served
RSVP: angela@ruralco.org or call 202-439-7724

Join PrK for an Evening Paddle at Nottingham

Friday September 27th at 6pm
Patuxent Riverkeeper Water Trail Visitor's Center in Nottingham

Join Patuxent Riverkeeper for our last sunset paddle of the season on the Patuxent. Come explore the tidal wetlands and view wildlife as the sun sets over the marshlands. Learn about local history, wildlife and archeology at this bonafide War of 1812 destination. Afterwards, join us for light snacks and refreshments. Launch fee is $5 if you are not a PrK member and use your own boat (free to members!). $10 to use one of our boats. Limited space, RSVP required. For more information or to reserve your space: info@paxriverkeeper.org.

Patuxent River Appreciation Days

October 12 & 13, 2013
10 am - 5 pm
Calvert Marine Museum in Solomon's, Maryland

Patuxent River Appreciation Days (PRAD) is a festival, which creates awareness, recognition, and promotion of the economic, social, recreational, cultural and historical impact of the tributaries and environs of the Patuxent River and the basin through which it flows. The festival has been held annually on Columbus Day weekend since 1978. By bringing these people together in public forum annually, PRAD hopes to continue the interest in the support of the environmental programs and tourism activities surrounding the Patuxent River and its tributaries.
For more information visit: www.pradinc.org

Save the Date - Patuxent Riverkeeper Annual Meeting and Concert

November 17, 2013
Patuxent Riverkeeper Water Trail Visitor’s Center in Nottingham

Join PrK for our annual meeting, live music, great food and fun on the river. Keep an eye out for more details.

Sincerely,
Patuxent Riverkeeper