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Latest News and Upcoming Events

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## Upcoming Events

**Save The Date!**

**2018 Annual Conference  
Powered By Nature**

February 24

Postlewait Middle School, Camden-Wyoming, DE

Call for Proposals, coming soon.

**Join us for the 1st Annual Delaware Children in Nature Summit**

Friday, October 20

Delaware Seashore State Park



*First Annual*  
**Delaware Children in Nature Summit**

*Please join us!*

Friday, October 20, 10 a.m.  
Delaware Seashore State Park

Share a morning of inspiration and celebration of the  
*Delaware Children in Nature (CIN) Initiative!*

Meet Delaware CIN Coalition Partners, honored guests, and recipients of Awards for Excellence from Delaware CIN and Delaware Association for Environmental Education (DAEE).

Network with others who share your passion for the wellbeing of Delaware's children and the desire to help them connect to nature.

*Please register at:*  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/o/delaware-children-in-nature-14942304045>



## Run WILD for Children in Nature Month!

October is Children in Nature Month! Want to know how you can get involved? Run Wild! It's your chance to help raise money for the Delaware Children in Nature Coalition while participating in a healthy outdoor activity! Run or walk on your own or with your friends, family, or your dog! Run/walk anywhere, anytime in the first 2 weeks of October! Everyone can help! All proceeds go to the Delaware Children in Nature initiative! Register TODAY! #RunWildCIN

Enter the code- RUNWILD - and get the race at the discounted rate of \$10!

[Register Here](#)



## DAEE News

### Upcoming Workshops, Events and Conferences

**Blackbird Creek Fall Festival**  
**October 21, 10 am-4 pm**  
**801 Blackbird Landing Road, Townsend, DE**

The graphic is a colorful illustration of a farm scene. A red tractor is pulling a wooden hay wagon filled with hay. Several cartoon blackbirds are sitting in the wagon. One blackbird is wearing a green shirt and a yellow hat, and another is wearing a blue shirt and a yellow hat. The background shows a green field and a blue sky. Text elements include: "Blackbird Creek Fall Festival" in a yellow font on a brown wooden sign; "FREE FAMILY FUN!" in red; "Blackbird Creek Reserve, 801 Blackbird Landing Road, Townsend, DE 19734" in black; "OCT 21 2017 | 10AM to 4PM" in white on a blue background; a list of activities in a white box; and social media icons for Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter with the handle "dnerr" and "delawareennr".

**Blackbird Creek Fall Festival**  
302-739-6377 | [de.gov/blackbirdfestival](http://de.gov/blackbirdfestival)

**FREE FAMILY FUN!**  
Blackbird Creek Reserve  
801 Blackbird Landing Road,  
Townsend, DE 19734

**OCT 21 2017 | 10AM to 4PM**

- Face painting
- Canoe & kayak rides
- Learn to cast a fishing line
- Kids crafts celebrating fall
- Bird watch
- Haymaze
- Tractor-pulled hayrides
- Estuary scavenger hunt
- Blacksmith demonstration
- Native American demonstration
- Guided habitat hike
- Visit artisans and vendors

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Blackbird Creek Fall Festival fosters the stewardship of the Delaware Bayshore by celebrating the richness of estuaries and Delaware's cultural traditions at our beautiful scenic site at the Delaware National Estuarine Research Reserve. No registration needed and the event is FREE.

## **4th Annual Delaware Energy Conference**

**October 18, 8 am- 4 pm**

[Info Here](#)

## **Environmental Programs**

### **Delaware Green Teacher**

[Write an Article for Green Teacher!](#)

Dr. Dean Goodwin is the Regional Editor (Delaware) for the Green Teacher publication which comes out four times a year. If you would like to submit an article for consideration in one of the upcoming issues, please contact him at [deangoodwin@tatnall.org](mailto:deangoodwin@tatnall.org). It would be wonderful to have some of the exciting environmental education that is going on in Delaware to be highlighted in the publication.

You can check out Green Teacher at [www.greenteacher.com](http://www.greenteacher.com). Here you can find free webinars and a digital archive of previous issues. If you are not familiar with the magazine I encourage you to look at their website and maybe consider a subscription for you or your organization. I am very happy to represent Green Teacher in Delaware, and I hope you consider sharing your work in the publication.- Dr. Dean Goodwin

### **Delaware National Estuarine Research Reserve Make A Difference Day: Pollinator Garden Planting October 18, 9 am- Noon**

818 Kitts Hummock Road, Dover, DE

Give back to the Delaware Bay by helping with our pollinator garden at the St. Jones Reserve. Join staff members on National Make A Difference Day as we tend to our pollinator garden and get it ready for the winter. Help us help our local pollinators (think butterflies and bees) have a healthy habitat. All ages are welcome, but registration is required. To register call the St. Jones Reserve at (302) 739-6377. Volunteers will need to supply their own work gloves and will need to wear long pants and closed toed shoes.

### **Delaware Nature Society Programs**

DNS provides high-quality, professionally taught and exciting programming for all age ranges and for novices and professionals. Get outdoors and discover! <http://tinyurl.com/lh8ho4n>.

### **Upcoming Events from the Brandywine Zoo**

The Brandywine Zoo offers a variety of educational programming for all ages. For more information, please visit [BrandywineZoo.org](http://BrandywineZoo.org) to see our online calendar or register for a program.

### **Delaware Museum of Natural History Events**

The Delaware Museum of Natural History's mission is to excite and inform people about the natural world through exploration and discovery. Visit [www.delmnh.org/events/](http://www.delmnh.org/events/) for an online calendar and more information.

### **Bombay Hook Events**

Visit [www.fws.gov/refuge/Bombay\\_Hook/Events.html](http://www.fws.gov/refuge/Bombay_Hook/Events.html) for the latest events.

### **Mt. Cuba Center Classes & Programs**

[www.mtcubacenter.org/calendar](http://www.mtcubacenter.org/calendar)

### **State Park Programs**

Visit [www.destateparks.com](http://www.destateparks.com) for a complete listing of events.

## **Curricula & Professional Development**

### **Earth Science Week, Science Friday- Let's Talk Rocks Webinar**

**October 18, 7 pm**

[Register Here](#)

## For Educators: Plum Landing Explore Outdoors Toolkit

[Find Resources Here](#)

## Green Teacher webinars

**Eco-System Monitoring Programs Wednesday, October 25th, 7:30-8:30pm EST** [Register Here](#)

From climate change to natural disasters: how tiny critters invoke joy and reveal environmental secrets. There are many species of wildlife that school age citizen scientists can monitor. But most scatter when humans are around. By contrast, arthropods – animals with jointed legs and no backbones – are abundant, diverse and found in all types of habitats. Building on his article in *Green Teacher's* Summer 2016 issue, Dan will share the techniques he has used for 20 years to engage students in authentic field-based data collection. He'll also explain how to add their findings to the databases of citizen science programs so that the students' work will have meaning beyond their own classrooms

**Telling your Story with Story Maps**, Monday, October 30th, 7:30-8:30 pm EST

**Depaving: A New Way to Change Cities from Grey to Green**, Wednesday, November 15th , 7:30-8:30pm EST

## EE and Science for Visually Impaired Students

[Find Resources Here](#)

## Delaware Audubon Society

Do you know an Elementary School Teacher looking for some great environmental education materials from the experts at National Audubon Society? Delaware Audubon will provide the Audubon Adventures standards-based science content, lessons, and hands-on exercises about birds, wildlife, and their habitats FREE OF CHARGE to any Delaware Teacher. Please share this with any Grade 3-5 teacher you know in case they may be interested.

More information is available at :<http://www.delawareaudubon.org/education/index.html>

## Cornell Lab of Ornithology Free Webinars

BirdSleuth offers a variety of free webinars each month open to all educators. All these fun and interactive webinars provide background content, highlight new and relevant educational resources, and allow discussion for successful implementation of such information and activities. Each webinar is roughly 45 minutes with 15 minutes allocated for questions. <http://www.birdsleuth.org/free-webinars/#ELA>

## Cornell Lab of Ornithology Summer Educator Retreat

The Cornell Lab of Ornithology is hosting an exciting Educator's Retreat. Discover the beauty of Ithaca and Sapsucker Woods as you reinvigorate your teaching with new ideas and resources. This year, we're focusing on citizen science and inquiry with a program perfect for returning friends and new educators. [Learn more](#) and register today!

## Grants

## Kids to Parks Day National School Contest Open Now

All Title I schools in the United States (grades pre-K through 12) are eligible to apply. Schools can receive funding for a Kids To Parks Day (KTP) event at a park or public land/waterway in their community. We love helping educators engage their students with the great outdoors. Students are required to research and submit their own proposal, with support from teachers and school administrators. Contest entries should explain how their experience will promote 1) education, 2) health and wellness through outdoor recreation, and 3) park stewardship. National Park Trust will award park grants up to \$1,000 to winning entries. Last year we awarded 70 schools with grants impacting nearly 4,000 students! We encourage schools to implement their KTP event during the month of May 2018, but exceptions can be made based on school calendars.

The deadline for entries is **Thursday, February 1, 2018**. Winners will be announced on **Valentine's Day, Wednesday, February 14, 2018**.

[Learn more here](#)

## Interesting Websites to Visit

A New Collective Ebook from Cornell Lab of Ornithology, supported by EECapacity

Download in English:

[ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION IN LATINO COMMUNITIES: SHARING EXPERIENCES](#)

Download in Spanish:

[EDUCACIÓN AMBIENTAL EN COMUNIDADES LATINAS: COMPARTIENDO EXPERIENCIAS](#)

Xploration Station: <http://www.xplorationstation.com/show/Xploration-Awesome-Planet>

Generation Wild: <https://generationwild.com/>

A Teacher's Guide to Delaware's State Parks: <http://tinyurl.com/ohwtfmv>

Successful STEM Education Resources: [www.successfulstemeducation.org/resources](http://www.successfulstemeducation.org/resources)

## Job/Volunteer Announcements

### Research Fellowship with Second Century Stewardship, Science for America's National Parks

Applications Due October 23

[Apply Here](#)

### 2018 Healthy Coastal Ecosystems Fellowship

Delaware Sea Grant and the Delaware National Estuarine Research Reserves are partnering to offer a graduate research fellowship for Delaware graduate students to explore the rich natural environments contained within the Reserves.

**Due November 6**

[Apply Here](#)

### Various Full-Time and Part-time Positions

Mount Cuba Center

[www.mtcubacenter.org/employment/](http://www.mtcubacenter.org/employment/)

### Various Full-Time and Part-time Positions

Delaware Nature Society

<http://www.delawarenaturesociety.org/Employment>

### Delaware Children's Museum

Part-time Guest Service Associate

<http://www.delawarechildrensmuseum.org/>

### Charles County Public Schools

Environmental Education Assistant, closes 10/18/2017

[www.ccboe.com](http://www.ccboe.com)

### Internships

Delaware State Parks

<https://www.volgistics.com/ex/portal.dll/ap?ap=2130268842>

### Urban Forester

Delaware Department of Agriculture

<https://www.jobaps.com/DE/sup/BulPreview.asp?R1=091217&R2=MGCF01&R3=650100>

### PAEE Jobs Board

<http://www.paee.net/ee-job-postings.html>

### NMEA Postings Page

<http://www.marine-ed.org/general/custom.asp?page=opportunities>

### Delaware Green Jobs

<http://delaware.greenjobs.net/>

## NAAEE NEWS

### 2017 Virtual Conference: Happening Now!

Participate via Webinar or Livestream

Visit <https://naaee.org/conference/virtual>

*[Join NAAEE's eePRO community](#) to network with environmental education professionals around the world.*

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#### **Delaware Association for Environmental Education**

promotes environmental and outdoor education to facilitate positive community impact on the conservation and sustainability of Delaware's Resources.

Visit DAEE at <http://daeeonline.org>



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