Note:

We also book school programs in the village from Sept. 1st to mid November, and from April 1st to the end of school. From Dec. 1st to April 1st we can bring the program out to your school.



Making Reservations for school programs Booking begins May 1 for the next school year.

** Because of the popularity of this program, early reservations are suggested. ** Reservations for a Lenape Village Program can be made by phone. Call (215) 357-4005 extension 5039. Programs can be scheduled from April 1st to mid-November, Tuesday through Friday. Short programs may be reserved between the hours of 9:30 AM – Noon, or afternoons after 12:00 PM. The time frame for the extended program will be scheduled on an individual basis, but usually runs form 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM, with a ½ hour break for lunch included. Reservations may be made with the Lenape Village Director, Marge Custer. Most fees are due 1 month before the program unless other arrangements are made with the director. If the fee is not paid by the due day, reservations will have to be cancelled. All teachers and chaperones are \$5 each.

* Fees can be gotten from the internet or by phone and are in effect until 9/1/2018

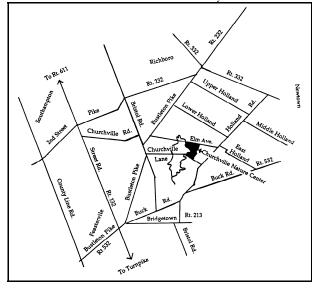
Rainy Days

Due to the use of many artifacts for our programs, all programs will need to be re-scheduled, or cancelled due to rain. If the program can't be rescheduled your money will be refunded

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Where We Are Located

In Lower Bucks County



Churchville Nature Center 501 Churchville Lane Churchville, PA 18966 (215) 357-4005

Office Hours Tuesday ⇒ Sunday 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday – Closed

Trails are open every day from sun-up to sun-down

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The mission of the Churchville Nature Center is to instill an awareness and appreciation of the natural world in all people through education, and to promote responsible environmental stewardship with a commitment to the preservation of resources and wildlife habitat.

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An Exciting Living History Experience

"Connecting the Past to the Present"

PROGRAMS OFFERED

 New Guided tours of the 8 stations in the Lenape village every Sunday from April 1st to October 30th.
 2:00 pm

Pre-register required
Cost:\$8 Children (3 and under free)

Spring Festival –
 The third Sunday in May
 2:00 – 4:00 pm –
 Featuring: Native American medicines, corn planting, Lenape family life, Native foods & cooking, fire making, Lenape games, hunting, and crafts.

Cost: \$8 Children (3and under- free)









You will be able to purchase a self-guided tour book in the Gift shop that will explain everything you see in the Lenape village. The book explains everything you see in detail.

Lenape Native American Village.

The village depicts live in the time of the 1500's; just before contact with European settlers. We have striven to be historically accurate in our clothing, structures and information. Trained educators dressed in authentic buckskin will present a hands-on experience in our Lenape Village.

There are 7 interpretive stations that visitors can see. Each station introduces another aspect of the daily life of the Lenape people.

The stations are as follows:

- Garden/Horticulture Visitors will learn about the garden and foods that were grown such as corn, beans and squash. Also discussed will be the foods foraged for such as wild edibles, seeds and nuts. On the way to the next station, visitors can observe the construction of a dugout canoe.
- **Food & Cooking** Visitors will learn the ways various foods were prepared. Then they will be shown how these foods were stored in the village.
- Family Life visitors will have a chance to see first-hand a Lenape bark house and how it is constructed as well as learn about the family life, clothing and other social aspects of the Lenape.
- Hunting Skills Hunting was a necessary and needed skill to have in order to survive and to provide for both food and clothing. Visitors will learn many of the methods used to hunt such as traps, snares, bow and spear. At this station, they will also learn the importance of the whitetail deer.
- Fire Making The ability to make fire was a very basic and necessary skill. It provided warmth, heat for cooking and many other uses. Visitors will learn how to make a fire by friction and how to construct a tipi fire. The highlight will be the production of fire from scratch using only natural materials.
- Pottery The ability to make containers and other items out of natural earth allowed the Lenape to make bowls and pots that could actually be put on the fire for cooking. Visitors will learn the process of making a clay pot from start to finish.
- Natural Cordage Natural cordage is the use of natural fibers to make string, rope and other lashings. The ability to make cordage was a basic skill since it was used to make homes, clothing, tools and much more.
- Native American Medicines

Learn what medicines nature provided for the Lenape in the 1500's and which ones we still use today. Visitors will have the opportunity to see them growing wild in the Lenape village.

- The third Sunday of each month there will be a craft that goes along with the station that is being featured that month.
- Lenape Village Fall Festival –

Last Sunday of October 12:00-4:00 pm featuring the Lenape village eight stations, vendors selling crafts, Native foods, Native American dancing

Pre-registration not necessary

Cost: \$10, Children (Under 4 Free)



Stations being featured each month:
April – Native Medicines
May – Native Gardening
June – Cooking
July - Family Life
August – Hunting
September – Cordage
October – Fire Making