THE CATALYST

SLIPPERY ROCK WATERSHED COALITION MONTHLY ACTIVITIES UPDATE

THIS MONTH'S MEETING: February 14 @ 7:00 PM, Jennings Environmental Education Center, Pizza and Pop will be provided!! 1/10/02 meeting attendance: C. Cooper, D. Johnson, T. Danehy, V. Kefeli, M. Dunn, J. Belgraden, D. Funkhouser, C. Denholm, W. Taylor, K. Kramer, & P. Kramer

7th Annual SRWC Symposium April 2002

This Year's Theme: Public/Private Partnerships

Join us on any and all of the three days of activities at the **Jennings Environmental Education Center!**

Sunday April 7th at 2:00 pm

Community Watershed Tour: Participate in a virtual tour of the Slippery Rock Creek Watershed and see the onsite passive treatment system for acid mine drainage remediation.

Thursday April 11th from 10 am to 2 pm

Youth Summit: Watershed Education Activities for school programs, grades 6-12

(Pre-registration required, contact Jennings at 724-794-6011)



Building Partnerships for the Future: An Evening Symposium to Connect Students and Professionals

Student research presentations will be the focus of a networking evening designed to connect students and professionals interested in the fields of watershed research, soil science, ecosystem recovery, environmental education and acid mine drainage remediation.

Friday April 12th from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm

7th Annual Symposium: learn how partnerships work to successfully design and implement passive treatment systems for abandoned mine drainage remediation and create wetlands and wildlife habitat. Join us for a field tour in the Slippery Rock Creek headwaters. Lunch is provided.

Pre-registration is preferred, but not required for Friday's program. The first 50 people to pre-register will receive a free t-shirt. To register for Friday please call Deanna Funkhouser at 724-776-0161 or e-mail sri@salsgiver.com. Remember to visit our web site at www.srwc.org! We hope to see you all there come April!!!!!

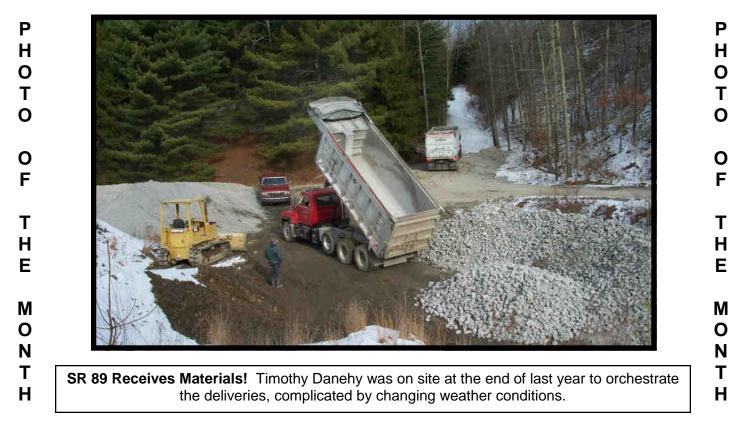












SR 89 Underway

The SR 89 site is located on Pennsylvania State Game Lands #95, in the headwaters of Slippery Rock Creek in Washington Township. The materials, which you can see above being delivered, were all recently placed on site. Timothy Danehy was on site as the deliveries were being made. It really was an adventure and a challenge for him to orchestrate all the trucks. The changing weather complicated things. At one point a truck got stuck, requiring the manual removal of the limestone and the assistance of a tow truck. Thanks to Tim for keeping his cool and getting us through those difficult conditions.

The construction will start soon and will be completed by Senaca Landfill, Inc. A vertical flow pond system will be installed as well as wetlands. The wetlands will be planted later in the spring into early summer. Information pertaining to volunteer opportunities will be included in future Catalyst's.

It is always exciting to see projects coming together. You can be sure we will continue to keep you updated as to all the happenings.

Accepting The Challenge In The News!

It seems like whenever we turn around we are receiving compliments regarding this remarkable book. Thanks to all those who have sent us the countless notes telling us how much they enjoyed reading the book. We have also received donations above and beyond our suggested \$8. Thank you to all who are helping us to get the word out about AMD!

An article in the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette was published Dec. 30th in the Northern Life Section. It was titled "A book on our No. 1 source of water pollution" by Scott Deacle. Thank you Scott for the wonderful article!!!



The KIDS Catalyst SLIPPERY ROCK WATERSHED COALITION FUN ACTIVITY



Fish are found in streams, rivers, and lakes. The presence of fish are an important way to tell if the water is good. Because of our restoration projects, fish have been found in the Slippery Rock Creek for the first time in 100 years!

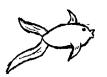
When you send in your colored picture you will receive a gift certificate. For the Symposium in April we will be displaying some of the pictures we receive. So if you want your picture on display don't forget to send it in!

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Kennard and Paul Kramer



Thank you to Kennard and Paul for coming to last month's meeting. We always welcome new people to the meetings. Kennard and Paul, from the Boyers Sportsman's Club, stopped in to tell us that the members have been talking about the improvements in Slippery Rock Creek, particularly saying that they are now seeing fish return to the creek. It was really nice to hear our efforts are actually making a difference. We are not always the one's out there using the water and it is nice to hear from those of you who have noticed a difference. The viewing of fish, as well as bats, was music to our ears.

We hope that you enjoyed the meeting and will come again soon. Please keep us informed as you view improvements in the water!

PASDA Recognizes Goff Station and SRI

On the PASDA web site they now have a section highlighting the current Growing Greener and RCP Projects across Pennsylvania. SRI is listed with a connection to the website. The project they highlighted was that of Goff Station. If you would like to see this on the web the address is www.pasda.psu.edu/wcgg From that page click on the section "Some highlights of Current GG..." Thanks PASDA for your contributions to watershed efforts across Pennsylvania.

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