Dear Parents,

Shaver’s Creek Environmental Center provides high-quality, fun, and educational summer day camps for children and teens. Campers spend a week with our energetic and diverse staff, who have a great respect and love for children and our natural world. These enthusiastic folks are full-time employees, summer interns, and trained volunteers who are ready to share with your camper a summer full of adventure and excitement. This brochure contains information about all of our Summer Camps, including three great camp experiences for teens. Make a week at a Shaver’s Creek summer camp a special part of your child’s summer.

We also invite you to become a member of Shaver’s Creek and share in the great traditions of summer camp and other nonprofit programming that we offer. As a member you will receive discounts on camp fees, selected public programs, and purchases in our bookstore. In addition, you will receive our newsletter, with a six-month program listing, and the satisfaction of knowing that your membership supports the ongoing mission of Shaver’s Creek. Please see the registration form or telephone us for details.

Sincerely,
The Shaver’s Creek Camp Staff

Registration: Registrations will be accepted by mail, beginning Monday, March 10, 2003, in the order received. We will consider the camper registered when the completed registration form and either the non-refundable deposit of $25 or the full amount is received. (There is no charge for Leaders-in-Training.) The balance of the fee is due on the first day of the camp session for which the camper is registered.

Mail registration forms and payment to:
Attention: Summer Camps
Shaver’s Creek Environmental Center
The Pennsylvania State University
RR 1 Box 325 Discovery Road
Petersburg PA 16669-9317
Fax: 814-865-2706

Cancellations: The deposit is not refundable. However, if a camper is forced to leave camp due to injury or illness, a prorated refund of the registration fee (up to 50 percent) will be given.

For more information, call 814-863-2000
For a printable registration form, visit our Web site:
http://www.ShaversCreek.org

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Discovery and Explorer Camp

This camp session is Monday–Thursday, 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.; and Friday, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Both Discovery and Explorer campers will spend each day in a group of about twelve children, focusing on nature awareness, natural cycles, and interrelationships of living things. On Thursday the campers should bring old shoes for stream exploration. Each group will be led by an experienced Shaver’s Creek staff member and a Leader-in-Training.

Discovery Camp*

Ages 6–8

The Shaver’s Creek woods, streams, and meadows provide a backdrop for investigating habitats and nature’s cycles. The campers will use hands-on methods to learn about plants and their adaptations.

Explorer Camp*

Ages 9–11

The explorers will learn about reptile adaptations through hands-on activities. They will set off on the trails to discover and explore the many habitats that surround Shaver’s Creek.

Raptors and More*

Ages 12–14

August 5–8

Using the resident animals of Shaver’s Creek, the participants in this camp will discover the rich diversity and unique characteristics of animals native to Pennsylvania, including snakes, turtles, and frogs, as well as raptors. The campers will gain hands-on experience in caring for and handling some of the animals.

Watershed Wonders*

Ages 12–15

June 24–27

Older and returning campers will explore the local watershed and the amazing life it contains, including aquatic bugs and fish, aquatic birds, and mammals. The campers will explore streams and wetlands, and canoe on our very own Lake Perez as they learn to assess the health of a stream through water testing and aquatic-life inventories.

Leaders-in-Training

Ages 14–18

All camp sessions

No cost for accepted applicants

Build and improve your leadership skills by assisting the staff in sharing and leading day camp activities with the kids! Please complete the registration form and return it to the Summer Camps’ assistant director. Include a one-page explanation of how Shaver’s Creek would benefit from having you as a Leader-in-Training (LIT) and what you would gain from the experience. Returning LIT’s should also submit this essay. The LIT schedule will be Monday, 2:00–5:00 p.m. (training), Tuesday–Thursday, 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m., and Friday, 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m. The family overnight is optional. For the extended week of camp, the training day will be Friday, July 11, 9:00 a.m.–noon.