

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,  
Philadelphia District, Northern Area  
PHOTO CONTEST 2022 CALENDAR**



*Winner Overall, Sunset Over A Frozen Lake, Beltzville Dam & Reservoir, Photo by Stacey Hines*

In 2021, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Philadelphia District ran a social media based photo contest for the public. Participants were encouraged to submit their best photos of the District's 5 dams in Eastern Pennsylvania: Blue Marsh Lake, Beltzville Dam, Francis E. Water Dam, Prompton Dam, General Edgar Jadwin Dam and adjacent state park areas. Participants from across the region submitted photos. Then, the District invited the public to vote for their favorite photographs from each season.

We are pleased to present this downloadable calendar featuring the top 12 images. Thank you to all of the talented photographers for submitting photos and to the participants who voted!



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## January 2022

Snow is the most reflective natural surface on Earth. Its ability to reflect over 90% of sunlight, gives snow its iconic white appearance and allows for greater visibility of the landscape during evening hours.

| Sun   | Mon  | Tue | Wed                      | Thu                                       | Fri | Sat  |
|---|--|-----|--------------------------|---|-----|--|
| <b>Photographer's Note</b> — <i>"The setting sun caught my eye as it reflected off of the lake and highlighted the frozen ice chunks along the shoreline. I feel it perfectly captured the still water and beauty of nature."</i><br>- Stacey Hines |  |     |                          |   |     | <b>1</b><br><br><b>New Year's Day</b><br><i>Kwanzaa Ends</i> |
| 2   | 3  | 4   | 5                        | 6   | 7   | 8  |
|   |  |     | <i>National Bird Day</i> |   |     |  |
| 9   | 10   | 11  | 12                       | 13  | 14  | 15   |
| 16  | <b>17</b><br><br><b>Martin Luther King Jr. Day</b> | 18  | 19                       | 20  | 21  | 22   |
|   |  |     |                          | <i>National Squirrel Appreciation Day</i> |     |  |
| $\begin{array}{r} 23 \\ 30 \end{array}$   | $\begin{array}{r} 24 \\ 31 \end{array}$            | 25  | 26                       | 27  | 28  | 29   |

Winter Category, *Sunset Over Frozen Lake*, Beltzville Dam & Reservoir, Photo by Stacey Hines



## February 2022

Black History Month

Northern Cardinals, Dark-eyed Juncos, Tufted Titmice, and American Tree Sparrows are some of the most commonly seen of the 35 species of birds that can be observed during the winter months.

| Sun                          | Mon                          | Tue   | Wed  | Thu | Fri  | Sat |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|---|--|-----|--|-----|
|                              |                              | 1<br><i>Chinese New Year</i><br><i>National Get Up Day</i>                        | 2<br><i>Groundhog Day</i><br><i>World Wetlands Day</i> | 3   | 4  | 5   |
| 6                            | 7                            | 8<br><i>National Boy Scout Day</i>  | 9  | 10  | 11<br><i>International Day of Women &amp; Girls in Science</i> | 12  |
| 13<br><i>Valentine's Day</i> | 14                           | 15  | 16   | 17  | 18   | 19  |
| 20                           | 21<br><i>President's Day</i> | 22<br><i>National Walking The Dog Day</i>   | 23   | 24  | 25   | 26  |
| 27                           | 28                           | <div> <div>←</div> <div>Invasive Species Awareness Week</div> <div>→</div> </div> |  |     |  |     |

Winter Category, Morning Gathering, Beltzville Dam & Reservoir, Photo by Stacey Hines



# March 2022

Women's History Month

Waterfalls occur where water flows over a vertical drop or a series of steep drops along the course of a stream or river. This feature can be found while hiking the Saw Mill Trail, one of the 15 miles of trails developed by PA DCNR's Beltzville State Park.

| Sun                                  | Mon                                       | Tue                                   | Wed                                      | Thu                            | Fri | Sat                                  |
|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|-----|--------------------------------------|
|                                      |   | 1                                     | 2<br><i>Read Across America Day</i>      | 3<br><i>World Wildlife Day</i> | 4   | 5                                    |
|                                      | ←   |                                       | <i>Invasive Species Awareness Week</i>   | →                              |     |                                      |
| 6                                    | 7   | 8<br><i>International Women's Day</i> | 9  | 10                             | 11  | 12<br><i>National Girl Scout Day</i> |
| 13<br><i>Daylight Savings Begins</i> | 14  | 15                                    | 16                                       | 17<br><i>St. Patrick's Day</i> | 18  | 19                                   |
| 20<br><i>March Equinox</i>           | 21<br><i>International Day of Forests</i> | 22<br><i>World Water Day</i>          | 23<br><i>World Meteorological Day</i>    | 24                             | 25  | 26                                   |
| 27                                   | 28  | 29                                    | 30<br><i>Take A Walk In The Park Day</i> | 31                             |     |                                      |

Spring Category, Waterfall by Saw Mill Trail, Beltzville Dam & Reservoir, Photo by Stacey Hines



## April 2022

Keep America Beautiful Month  
National Volunteer Month

Double-crested Cormorants are a common site at large inland lakes and reservoirs across North America. They forage for their favorite food, small fish, by diving below the surface and swimming. Unfortunately, they can often mistake lost fishing lures as food and end up entangled in the attached fishing line or hooks. Making sure you dispose of fishing waste properly helps keep them and other species safer from harm.

| Sun                        | Mon | Tue | Wed                                     | Thu                                 | Fri                          | Sat                              |
|----------------------------|-----|-----|---|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                            |     |     |   |                                     | 1<br><i>April Fool's Day</i> | 2<br><i>Ramadan Begins</i>       |
| 3                          | 4   | 5   | 6                                       | 7                                   | 8                            | 9                                |
| 10                         | 11  | 12  | 13                                      | 14<br><i>Look Up At The Sky Day</i> | 15<br><i>Good Friday</i>     | 16                               |
| 17<br><i>Easter Sunday</i> | 18  | 19  | 20<br><i>Volunteer Appreciation Day</i> | 21                                  | 22<br><i>Earth Day</i>       | 23<br><i>National Picnic Day</i> |
| 24                         | 25  | 26  | 27                                      | 28                                  | 29<br><i>Arbor Day</i>       | 30                               |

Spring Category, *Cormorant Feast of Regret*, F.E. Walter Dam & Reservoir, Photo by Jeff Hozempa



# May 2022

National Water Safety Awareness Month  
National Lyme Disease Awareness Month

Two commonly seen turtle species in Pennsylvania are the Eastern Painted Turtle (left & far right) and the Red-Eared Slider (middle). The native Painted Turtle competes for food, basking, and nesting areas with the larger non-native Slider which was introduced by people illegally releasing their pet turtles into the wild. To keep our native flora & fauna healthy and thriving, don't release pets into the wild and choose native plants for your landscaping.

| Sun   | Mon                       | Tue  | Wed | Thu                       | Fri  | Sat                                   |
|---|---------------------------|--|-----|---------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| 1   | 2<br><i>Ramadan Ends</i>  | 3  | 4   | 5<br><i>Cinco De Mayo</i> | 6  | 7                                     |
| 8<br><i>Mother's Day</i>                                | 9                         | 10   | 11  | 12                        | 13   | 14<br><i>World Migratory Bird Day</i> |
| 15  | 16                        | 17   | 18  | 19                        | 20<br><i>National Endangered Species Day</i> | 21<br><i>Armed Forces Day</i>         |
| 22<br><i>International Day for Biological Diversity</i> | 23                        | 24   | 25  | 26                        | 27   | 28                                    |
| 29  | 30<br><i>Memorial Day</i> | 31<br><i>National Dam Safety Awareness Day</i> |     |                           |  |                                       |

Spring Category, *Turtles Warming On A Log*, F.E. Walter Dam & Reservoir, Photo by Jeff Hozempa



# June 2022

National Safety Month  
National Rivers Month  
Pride Month

The Eastern Cottontail Rabbit is the most popular game animal in Pennsylvania and can be found throughout suburban and rural landscapes. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers projects conduct environmental stewardship initiatives that help provide habitat resources for these furry residents and a variety of other species.

| Sun                        | Mon                | Tue                       | Wed              | Thu                              | Fri                                     | Sat                       |
|----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|---|---------------------------|
|                            |                    |                           | 1                | 2                                | 3                                       | 4                         |
|                            |                    |                           |                  |                                  | World Bicycle Day                       | National Trails Day       |
| 5                          | 6                  | 7                         | 8                | 9                                | 10                                      | 11                        |
| World Environment Day      | D-Day              |                           | World Oceans Day |                                  | Francis E. Walter Dam Commissioned 1961 | National Get Outdoors Day |
| 12                         | 13                 | 14                        | 15               | 16                               | 17                                      | 18                        |
|                            |                    | Flag Day<br>Army Birthday |                  | Army Corps of Engineers Birthday |   | National Go Fishing Day   |
| 19                         | 20                 | 21                        | 22               | 23                               | 24                                      | 25                        |
| Juneteenth<br>Father's Day | American Eagle Day | June Solstice             |                  |                                  |   |                           |
| 26                         | 27                 | 28                        | 29               | 30                               |   |                           |



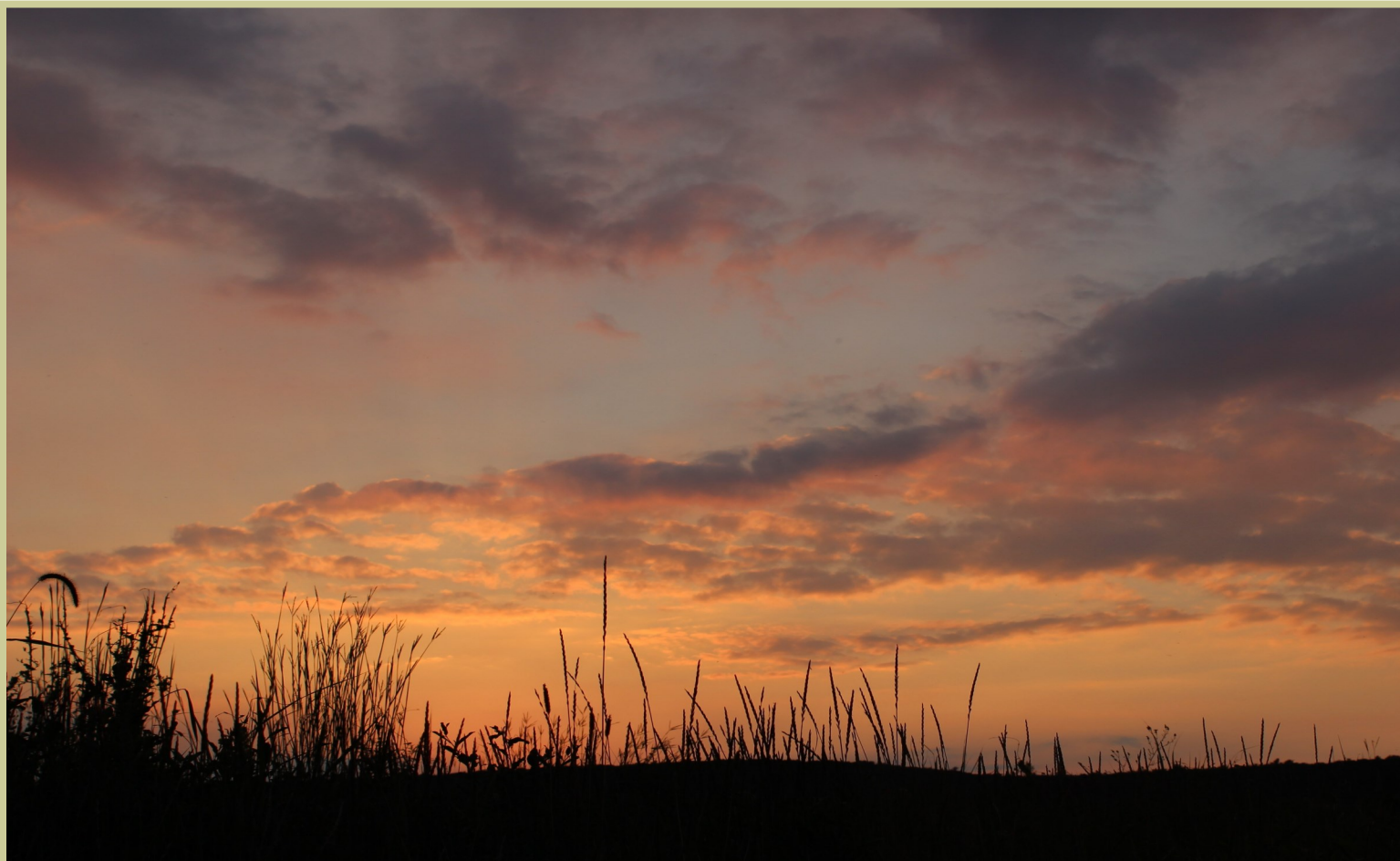
# July 2022

National Lake Appreciation Month

Bald eagles require habitat with large water and forest resources to provide them with fish for food and trees for building their nests. Exclusive to North America, bald eagles can be found at all of the Northern Area Dam & Reservoir Projects.

| Sun                                  | Mon                                  | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri  | Sat |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|--|-----|
|                                      |                                      |     |     |     | 1<br><br><i>Prompton Dam<br/>Commissioned 1960</i>         | 2   |
| 3                                    | 4<br><br><i>Independence<br/>Day</i> | 5   | 6   | 7   | 8  | 9   |
| 10                                   | 11                                   | 12  | 13  | 14  | 15<br><br><i>Blue Marsh Lake Dam<br/>Commissioned 1979</i> | 16  |
| 17                                   | 18                                   | 19  | 20  | 21  | 22   | 23  |
| 24<br>31 <i>World<br/>Ranger Day</i> | 25                                   | 26  | 27  | 28  | 29   | 30  |

Summer Category, Bald Eagle After Breakfast, F.E. Walter Dam & Reservoir, Photo by Jeff Hozempa



# August 2022

The period of daytime shortly after sunrise and before sunset is known as the golden hour, or the 'magic hour', by photographers and cinematographers. The softer light creates beautiful landscapes, like this one captured at Beltzville Dam and Reservoir.

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu                  | Fri                                  | Sat |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|----------------------|--------------------------------------|-----|
|     | 1   | 2   | 3   | 4                    | 5                                    | 6   |
|     |     |     |     | Coast Guard Birthday |                                      |     |
| 7   | 8   | 9   | 10  | 11                   | 12                                   | 13  |
|     |     |     |     |                      |                                      |     |
| 14  | 15  | 16  | 17  | 18                   | 19                                   | 20  |
|     |     |     |     |                      | Gen. E. Jadwin Dam Commissioned 1959 |     |
| 21  | 22  | 23  | 24  | 25                   | 26                                   | 27  |
|     |     |     |     |                      | Women's Equality Day                 |     |
| 28  | 29  | 30  | 31  |                      |                                      |     |



## September 2022

National Hispanic Heritage Month

The West Branch Lackawaxen River forms the headwaters and main channel of the Prompton Lake reservoir. Lackawaxen is a Lenape word meaning "swift waters". The Lenape people are the original inhabitants of Delaware, New Jersey, Eastern Pennsylvania, and Southern New York.

| Sun                   | Mon          | Tue | Wed | Thu               | Fri | Sat   |
|-----------------------|--------------|-----|-----|-------------------|-----|---|
|                       |              |     |     | 1                 | 2   | 3   |
| 4                     | 5            | 6   | 7   | 8                 | 9   | 10  |
| National Wildlife Day | Labor Day    |     |     |                   |     | World Suicide Prevention Day                                |
| 11                    | 12           | 13  | 14  | 15                | 16  | 17  |
| Patriot Day           |              |     |     |                   |     | Beltzville Dam Commissioned 1971                            |
| 18                    | 19           | 20  | 21  | 22                | 23  | 24  |
| Air Force Birthday    |              |     |     | September Equinox |     | National Public Lands Day<br>National Hunting & Fishing Day |
| 25                    | 26           | 27  | 28  | 29                | 30  |   |
| World Rivers Day      | Rosh Hashana |     |     |                   |     |   |

Fall Category, Prompton Dam & Reservoir, Photo by Sarah Hine



# October 2022

The vibrant colors of fall foliage is caused by the presence of pigments, that are revealed as the trees slow down photosynthesis in preparation for the winter season. This reduces the amount of chlorophyll pigments that give leaves their green color and lets other hidden colors shine through. The Northern Area Dam & Reservoir Projects offer numerous scenic views during the "leaf peeping season".

| Sun      | Mon   | Tue        | Wed                 | Thu  | Fri | Sat |
|----------|---|------------|---------------------|--|-----|-----|
|          |   |            |                     |  |     | 1   |
| 2        | 3   | 4          | 5                   | 6  | 7   | 8   |
|          | World Habitat Day                             | Yom Kippur |                     |  |     |     |
| 9        | 10<br>Indigenous People's Day<br>Columbus Day | 11         | 12<br>Navy Birthday | 13<br>International Day for Natural Disaster Reduction | 14  | 15  |
| 16       | 17  | 18         | 19                  | 20   | 21  | 22  |
| 23<br>30 | 24<br>31<br>Diwali<br>Halloween               | 25         | 26                  | 27   | 28  | 29  |
|          |   |            | Bat Week            |  |     |     |

**Fall Category, *Fall Foliage*, Beltzville Dam & Reservoir, Photo by Stacey Hines**



## November 2022

*Native American Heritage Month*

Rainbows are caused by the reflection of light off the inside of water droplets in the atmosphere. Double rainbows, such as this one captured at Blue Marsh Lake, occur when the light wave is "re-reflected" as it exits the water drop at a different angle. The re-reflection causes the second rainbow to appear lighter, in reverse color order, and above the primary rainbow.

| Sun                   | Mon | Tue                    | Wed | Thu                   | Fri                          | Sat |
|-----------------------|-----|------------------------|-----|-----------------------|------------------------------|-----|
|                       |     | 1                      | 2   | 3                     | 4                            | 5   |
| 6                     | 7   | 8                      | 9   | 10                    | 11                           | 12  |
| Daylight Savings Ends |     |                        |     | Marine Corps Birthday | Veterans Day                 |     |
| 13                    | 14  | 15                     | 16  | 17                    | 18                           | 19  |
|                       |     | National Recycling Day |     | National Hiking Day   |                              |     |
| 20                    | 21  | 22                     | 23  | 24                    | 25                           | 26  |
|                       |     |                        |     | Thanksgiving          | Native American Heritage Day |     |
| 27                    | 28  | 29                     | 30  |                       |                              |     |

Fall Category, Blue Marsh Lake, Photo by Stacey Wright



## December 2022

| Sun                                     | Mon   | Tue                                  | Wed                                      | Thu | Fri | Sat                         |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|-----|-----|-----------------------------|
|   |   |                                      |  | 1   | 2   | 3                           |
| 4                                       | 5<br><i>World Soil Day</i>                    | 6                                    | 7<br><i>Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day</i> | 8   | 9   | 10                          |
| 11<br><i>International Mountain Day</i> | 12  | 13<br><i>National Guard Birthday</i> | 14                                       | 15  | 16  | 17                          |
| 18<br><i>Hanukkah Begins</i>            | 19  | 20                                   | 21<br><i>December Solstice</i>           | 22  | 23  | 24<br><i>Christmas Eve</i>  |
| 25<br><b>Christmas</b>                  | 26<br><i>Kwanzaa Begins<br/>Hanukkah Ends</i> | 27                                   | 28                                       | 29  | 30  | 31<br><i>New Year's Eve</i> |

Originally built in 1841 to cross the Pohopoco Creek, the "Buck" or "Harrity" covered bridge at Beltzville State Park was relocated to its current resting place by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in 1970 during the construction of Beltzville Dam. The 66 ft long, 31 ft wide structure is now enjoyed as a pedestrian bridge by visitors to the park.