# SPLASH NEWS



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#### Educating and Inspiring Stewardship of the Delaware River since 2004



#### From the Helm:

We are excited to share with you that as of July 2, 2024, SPLASH has a new Board of Trustees. You will likely recognize many of our faces - as this new board is composed of volunteers who have been working with SPLASH over many years.

Prior to finishing their service (several had served for years) and stepping down, the previous board acknowledged the thoughtful leadership of our new Board and its plans and goals for the short-term and longer-term.

Our operational focus this year is teaching our engaging STEM Classes both at our Lambertville site and at client locations. In parallel, the new Board is working on a fundraising plan for SPLASH II and for professional staff.

Orvis Princeton has partnered with SPLASH as their Great Giveback Days local donation recipient. For the month of September, donate \$10, and get 10% off your next purchase at Orvis.

Our Board is planning a fundraising event at the Elks Club in Lambertville for Sunday December 8. More details to

As SPLASH celebrates 20 years of service this year, we look Kale Gruber (Treasurer), Eric Clark (Executive forward to working with you - our dedicated, knowledgeable Director), Allison Brown (President), Ed Frankel volunteers - for years to come.

# Top News

SPLASH is Back!!

**Meet our New Board Members** 

Hot Summer, Cool Classes

**New Boat Ramp** 

**Fundraising Successes** 



Our Team (left to right):

(Officer), Melinda Dower (Secretary), Stephen Harris (Officer). Brad Sanford (Officer)

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### **Our Mission**

To build awareness of the Delaware River Watershed with exciting, hands-on educational experiences designed for people of all ages.



Hamilton YMCA: Dave Bell shows children how to have fun learning about Watershed Ecology with the Enviroscape Newsletter Highlights



Hot Summer, Cool Classes!

Team SPLASH preparing for a Macroinvertebrate Class that introduces kids to the fascinating critters that live in our River.

Left to right: Christine Skibell, Eric Clark, Buddy LoBue, Sue Pagano

#### **A New Boat Ramp**



The new boat ramp provides safe access to the SPLASH boat dock.

A shout out to Brad Sanford for finding the best handy-man--Kelly Ford! kelly@lambertvillehamdyman.com

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## **Fundraising**

**Our Needs** 

Developer/Grant Writer Operational Funds Office Building Floating Classroom

**Funding Goals** 

2024: \$10,000 2025: \$200,000 2026: \$500,000





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**Bank of Princeton** 

Crossing Vineyards & Winery
Swan Creek Rowing Club:
Dock Ramp

Niece Lumber: Ramp Mat'ls Orvis: Great Give Back Day







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## Help Wanted



Do you enjoy working with children? Join our team for an experience you won't forget!

Please contact: info@splashclassroom.org

### Calendar

Saturday 9/14, 2-5pm D&R Canal State Park 50th Anniversary. Prallsville Mills, 33 Risler St, Stockton, NJ 08559 SPLASH table: "Macroinvertebrates as water quality indicators" or "Enviroscape: Watershed Ecology"

Saturday 9/21, 11am-3pm Trenton River Days South Riverwalk Park by Thunder Stadium Parking Lot. SPLASH table: "Macroinvertebrates as water quality indicators"

Saturday 10/5, 12 - 4 pm Lawrence Twp. Community Day. Central Park, Eggerts Crossing Rd, Lawrence, NJ 08648. "Enviroscape: Watershed Ecology"

Thursday 11/7, 8:30 am to 1:00 pm. 2024 STEM Conference at the Boys & Girls Club of Mercer County. SPLASH STEM workshops: "Phytoplankton: Jewels of the Delaware River" With special thanks to our supporters, partners, and sponsors



"There is something infinitely healing in the repeated refrains of nature - the assurance that dawn comes after night, and spring after winter." — Rachel Carson, Silent Spring

Harry Anderson - for helping clean up the old ramp (and other tasks); Buddy LoBue for checking over the teaching gear.

Liz Battaglia for design talents.

Kate Edwards for making several valuable connections
Special thanks to Richard Dodds and Nancy Faherty, for
their professional guidance and encouragement during
the transition period.

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