

Lancaster Herpetological Society

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The Lancaster Herpetological Society (www.lancasterherp.org) is a small club that meets once a month to discuss herps and herp-related issues. The club meets at the North Museum (www.northmuseum.org, 400 College Ave., Lancaster, PA 17603) on the 3rd Friday of every month. Meetings are open to the public, free of charge (donations accepted), and begin at 7pm. Please feel free to attend by entering through the back door (ring bell if locked). The membership requests that all children under the age of 16 be accompanied by an adult. For more information, contact Roy Mellott (LancHerpSociety@gmail.com). *Hope to see you there!*

Upcoming Meetings

<u>Date</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Comments</u>
4/20/12	Adam Mattel	<i>Boa constrictor</i>	Captive Care, Morphs, and Locales
5/18/12	Bill Humbert	American Toad	Letterkenny study
6/16/12	Members' Night	Sharing Our Own Herps	Bring Your Own Herps
7/21/12	Zach Barton	Outdoor Turtle Enclosures	DIY

Upcoming [Havre de Grace](#) Herp Shows: May 5th, June 2nd, July 14th

Upcoming [Hamburg](#) Herp Show: Apr 28th, June 9th

Upcoming [Philadelphia](#) Herp Show: June 23rd

Club Happenings

In January, we survived the cold by watching the documentary *Reptile Mania*. The documentary was written, produced and directed by Bill Love and Adrian Hemens, so this is the second time Bill has contributed to our group. The video was highly informative and gives one the sense of how truly large the herp hobby has become. Special thanks to the Metropolitan Herpetological Society for helping us to acquire this DVD.

Jesse Rothacker of [Forgotten Friend](#) shared his experiences founding and running a reptile rescue for February's meeting. Always entertaining, it was good to have Jesse, a founding member of LHS, speaking to us again. In particular, Jesse shared how he is recruiting more help for the rescue as his professional and family obligations continue to change. If interested in helping with the rescue, please contact Jesse!

March was a special month for LHS as a scheduling conflict with the North Museum found us seeking a temporary venue for the meeting. [Manheim Township Library](#), not normally open Friday evenings, just happened to be having a special event that night and decided to include us! Roy Mellott, our president, did a presentation on frogs of Lancaster County, and then led a "frog walk" around Overlook Park. We had a rather large crowd for our monthly meeting, so special thanks to Manheim Township Library for the additional exposure! The meeting walk was pretty much a bust, but many in attendance returned over the next several weeks to witness hundreds of toads looking for love.

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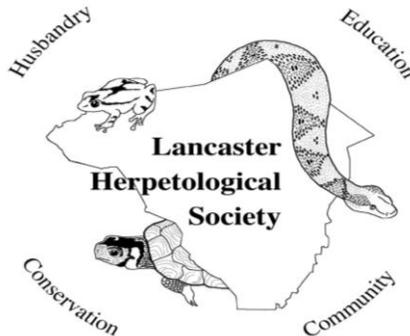
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Requests

LHS exists solely as a volunteer organization. The club would not survive without the constant and continual input of its members. Arranging speakers, organizing field trips, and producing the newsletter take volunteered time. If you have ideas for and are willing to take the lead in arranging speakers or field trips, please contact Roy Mellott (LancHerpSociety@gmail.com).

If you wish to contribute to the website, please contact Caleb (bursur83@gmail.com).

If you wish to contribute to the newsletter, please contact Zach Barton (zbarton@ycstech.org). Possible original contributions include: book reviews; species care sheets; notes from a field herping trip; herp news summaries; and opinionated essays. The deadline for the Summer 2012 Newsletter is approaching fast!



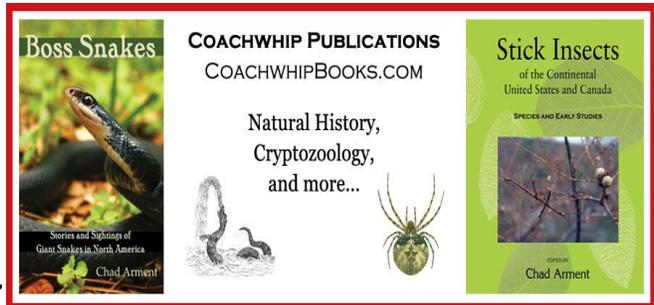
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