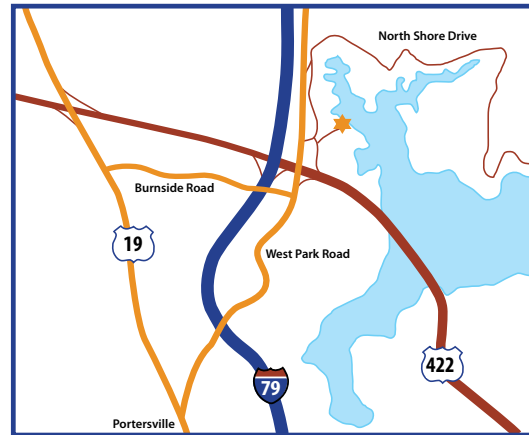


Cruise Lake Arthur aboard Nautical Nature. Enjoy learning about the area's natural history and osprey reintroduction, while appreciating the unique scenery and wildlife on an exciting trip around Lake Arthur. Come and take a ride on Nautical Nature, a 45-passenger enclosed pontoon boat and Moraine State Park's premier attraction.



Photo by Marie Walzer



DIRECTIONS

From Rt. 422 East:

Exit at North Shore. Cross a small bridge. Turn right at the sign for McDanel's Launch.

From Rt. 422 West:

Exit onto Rt. 19 South. Turn left at Burnside Rd. Turn left at the T-intersection onto West Park Rd. Take the second right into Moraine State Park (North Shore). Make an immediate right and then an immediate left into McDanel's Launch.

From I-79:

Take exit #96 into Portersville. Travel North on Route 19. Turn right onto Burnside Rd. (after passing a large EAT sign on the right). Turn left at the T-intersection onto West Park Rd. Take the second right into Moraine State Park (North Shore). Make an immediate right and then an immediate left into McDanel's Launch.

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Moraine Preservation Fund

McDanel's Launch, 118 North Shore Drive
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Moraine State Park, Butler County, PA
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Moraine Preservation Fund's Lake Arthur Boat Tours & Programs

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Owlet Gift Shop Hours:

Daily: 9-5 pm

After Labor Day, closed Mondays



2010... our 15th Season!

Enjoy the unique scenery and wildlife of Moraine State Park.

If you're planning a bridal shower, birthday party or anniversary, try the Nautical Nature. Your guests will love this unique venue.



Nautical Nature Cruises

Moraine Preservation Fund (MPF) operates Nautical Nature, a 45-passenger enclosed pontoon boat, on Moraine State Park's, Lake Arthur. Boat tours operate on a regular schedule

throughout the summer and are open to the public.

Boat will sail with minimum of 10 passengers. There are limited bathroom facilities onboard. Early arrival is suggested to allow use of nearby modern restroom facilities.

The Nautical Nature is handicap accessible.

Environmental programs are also available aboard the Nautical Nature. Great for scouts, homeschoolers and classrooms.



Native Plant/Butterfly Trail

At the beginning of McDanel's Launch, behind the large shelter, discover our exciting self-guided trail and learn about area's native plants and butterflies, some of which are endangered species. Enjoy the pond, bridges, arbor, gazebo and boardwalk as you make your way on the trail. During your hike, look for signs and educational kiosks that explain what you are observing.

Project Batitat

MPF converted an old, 18-foot osprey nesting tower into a scientifically designed bat condo. The purpose of Project Batitat is to protect the region's bat population. The new bat habitat is expected to be ready by spring 2010, and will provide housing for a colony of up to 6,000 female bats and their young.



SUMMER CRUISES May 22 - August 29

- **Sat. & Sun. at 2:00**
(Call for additional times)

DINING CRUISES

Reservations are required seven days in advance. Catering by Fairground Market.

- **Sunday Brunch Cruises:** Call for times
Every other Sunday, beginning June 27.
- **Saturday Dinner Cruises:** 5 pm
Every other Saturday, beginning June 26
- **Saturday Fall Foliage Dinner Cruises:**
5 pm. Every Saturday Sept. 11 - Oct 31

FALL FOLIAGE CRUISES Sept. 11 - Oct. 31

Come and observe Western Pennsylvania's colorful foliage reflected on the lake. Paid reservations suggested as these tours sell out

- **Saturday & Sunday Fall Foliage Cruises:**
1:00 & 3:00

NORTH COUNTRY TRAIL SHUTTLE

Must make reservations for pick up or drop off at Rt. 528 Launch.

CRUISE RATES

Cruise only:

- Adult: \$8.00
- Senior: \$7.00
- Child: \$5.00 (Children must be supervised)
- 2 and under FREE

Dinner Cruise: \$27.00

Brunch Cruise: \$20.00

North Country Trail Shuttle: \$3.00

Call or visit the Owlet Gift Shop for tickets. 724-368-9185. All tickets are non-refundable. Tickets can be reserved by credit card. Cruise tickets are available online.

Privately Chartered Cruises

- Private charters available for business meetings, seminars, reunions and parties.
- Regular charter rates: \$250/hr.
- Minimum rental of 1 hour with additional time billed in half hour increments.
- State law prohibits alcohol.

Fishing from McDanel's Launch

Stop by the Owlet gift shop and pick up a map showing you the fish habitat project locations, water depths and specific features of Lake Arthur. Buy some bait at the gift shop, and you're ready to fish! McDanel's Launch is handicapped accessible and rents



fishing poles to children 16 and younger, without a fishing license. Some common species that live in the 3,225-acre Lake Arthur include northern pike, largemouth bass, channel catfish, black crappie and bluegill. The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission stocks the lake with muskellunge, walleye, channel catfish, and hybrid striped bass too!

Other Adventures at McDanel's Launch

- See the Purple Martin Colony.
- Walk to Moraine State Park's Dam.
- Picnic in one of the two large shelters.
- Launch your boat.
- Paddle the Hidden River Canoe Trail
- Shop at the Owlet Gift Shop.
- Join us for the annual Regatta at Lake Arthur, August 7 & 8.
- Bike on the seven-mile long paved bike trail.

View an Active Osprey Nest

The osprey, a large bird of prey, was extirpated from Western Pennsylvania over 60 years ago. Come observe an active osprey nest and learn about the return of this magnificent bird to Moraine State Park.

Join Moraine Preservation Fund

Individual: \$10.00
Family: \$25.00
Business: \$100.00

Membership gives you 10% off all cruises and products at the Owlet Gift Shop. Please send a check or money order to Moraine Preservation Fund.