

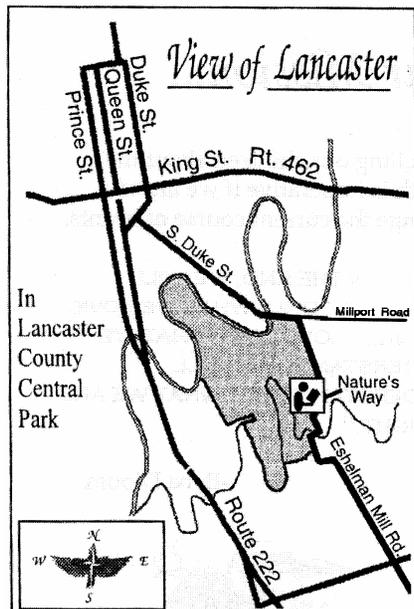
## Funding:

Shuts Environmental Library is funded by the Lancaster County Department of Parks and Recreation, Lancaster County Library System, and by donations.

## Volunteering:

During the week, staff members assist patrons in the library. However on Saturdays, volunteers run the library and assist patrons.

Those who love both books and helping others might enjoy becoming a member of Shuts Environmental Library's volunteer team.



### Lancaster County Department of Parks and Recreation

Administrative Office  
1050 Rockford Rd.  
Lancaster, PA 17602  
717-299-8215

### Lancaster County Board of Commissioners

#### Shuts Environmental Library

##### *Hours of Operation:*

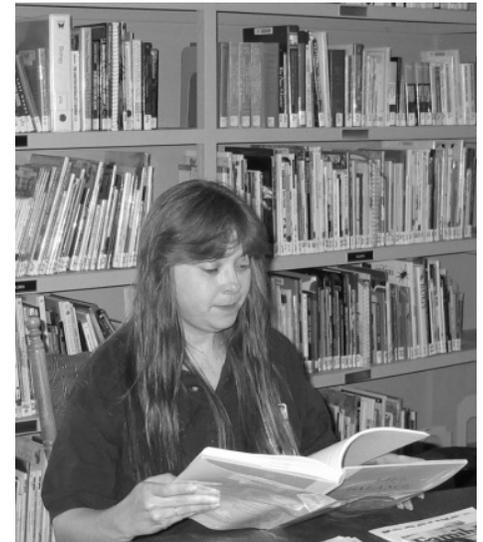
**M-F, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

**Sat., 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

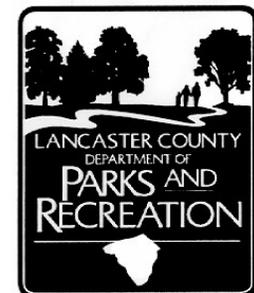
Three Nature's Way, Lancaster, PA 17602  
(717) 295-2055  
Fax: (717) 295-3688

Email: [parks@co.lancaster.pa.us](mailto:parks@co.lancaster.pa.us)  
Website: [www.lancastercountyparks.org](http://www.lancastercountyparks.org)

# Shuts Environmental Library



A public lending library featuring  
books and videos about nature  
for all ages.



## History:

Shuts Environmental Library has been offering free book and video lending services to residents of Lancaster County since 1991.

The Lancaster County Junior League and Lancaster County Library System founded the library, which is located in Central Park in the house Andreas Shuts built in 1769.



Today, Shuts Environmental Library, which is operated by the Lancaster County Department of Parks and Recreation, has become a comfortable haven for lovers of nature and books.

Shuts Environmental Library's mission is to provide visitors of all ages access to current resources about a variety of nature topics.

## Collection:

- Over 4,500 books about the environment, wildlife, gardening, Native Americans, health, wilderness survival, and more.



- Field guides for North American plants and animals.
- Several hundred children's books about nature.
- A comprehensive section of teacher guides and environmental curriculum materials for grades K-12.
- Videos on a variety of environmental topics.
- A selection of books on tape and tapes for learning to identify wildlife by ear.

## Lending Services:

- Lancaster County residents can obtain a free library card and borrow books from Shuts Environmental Library.
- Because Shuts is part of the Lancaster County Library System, card holders from any Lancaster County Library can use their card at Shuts.
- Patrons can return books to Shuts Library that were borrowed from other libraries, and they can return books from Shuts to any Lancaster County library.
- Patrons can borrow videos for one week and all other materials, including books, for two weeks. A late fee will be charged for each day an item is returned after its due date.

