



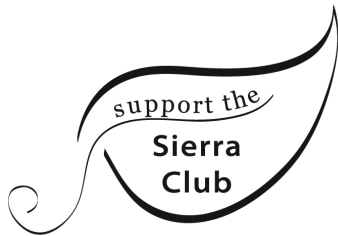
The Pinchot Papers

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Find out more about GVP meetings, hikes, cleanups, and other activities by checking out <https://www.sierraclub.org/pennsylvania>.

Look on the home page for activities under the list view. GVP Executive Committee & members usually meet the last Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. To be added to our email list, email gvpsierraclub@gmail.com.

Spotted Lanternfly Found in PA

by Bob Rebuck

The Spotted Lanternfly, *Lycorma delicatula* (White), an invasive planthopper, has been discovered in Berks County, Pennsylvania. It is native to China, India, and Vietnam. It has become a major pest in Korea. This insect can greatly impact grapes, fruit trees, hops, and the nursery and timber industries.



The Spotted Lanternfly adult is approximately 1" long and 1/2" wide at rest. The forewing is grey with black spots and the wing tips are reticulated black blocks outlined in grey. The hind wings have contrasting patches of red and black with a white band. The legs and head are black; the abdomen is yellow with broad black bands. Adults at rest have a black head and grayish wings with black spots and the tips of the wings are a combination of black rectangular blocks with grey outlines.

According to the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, in late September adults prefer Trees of Heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*) as their primary food source, for mating and for egg-laying location. Tree of



Heaven is an invasive tree species introduced in Pennsylvania. Egg masses are covered in a brown mud-like substance and, when laid on vehicles and campers, this pest spreads more rapidly. In late April to mid-May the nymphs hatch and feed on the woody parts of plants, vines, fruit trees, grapes and new growth of trees and shrubs. While feeding, it inflicts wounds on these woody parts that weep with sap, and it excretes a substance known as honeydew. The honeydew and sap attract other insects and provide a medium for sooty mold fungi growth, which covers leaf surfaces and can stunt or kill the plant.

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Elect Scott, King, Foschi, Kim & Linta on Nov. 6

The Governor Pinchot Group has endorsed one incumbent and four political newcomers in the General Election. When you go to the polls on Tuesday, Nov. 6, we urge you to vote for the environment by voting for our endorsed candidates.



George Scott, D-10th Congressional District

Scott is an Army veteran who served in Operations Just Cause, Desert Shield, Desert Storm and Enduring Freedom. He is an ordained Lutheran pastor in East Berlin. He often talks about stewardship of the environment and stresses the importance of protecting our planet. He opposes selling public spaces to private industry. He vows not to jeopardize the interests of citizens to serve the fossil fuel industry. He supports a just transition from dirty fuels to clean renewable energy.



Jess King, D-11th Congressional District

While King has never held elected office, she has shown that she can get things done as director of ASSETS, a Lancaster-based organization that works with businesses to give back to the community in a variety of ways, including pushing the private sector toward a more sustainable future. She is committed to investing in clean energy infrastructure that will create good jobs and safeguards for the planet.



Jean Foschi, D-88th State House District

Foschi has a degree in political science and is a paralegal. Wildlife and conservation have always been important to her. She said that it is important for the nation to move away from fossil fuels and move forward with renewable energy. She is worried about the many people in the district that live near the Mariner East pipeline's blast zones. She has pledged not to take money from coal, oil and gas industries.



Patty Kim, D-103rd State House District

Kim is running for her third term in the PA House. Kim, a former reporter, is the first Asian-American to serve in the PA State House. While she is best known for her advocacy to improve the economic and environmental circumstances for the residents in her district, she said that protecting the environment is a personal commitment for her. She has a perfect voting record for the environment and is proud to run with the support of the Sierra Club.



Jill Linta, D-106th State House District

Linta is a long time Sierra Club member and serves as Chair of the GVP Group. She is a regular volunteer for the Susquehanna River Cleanup and leads the group's highway cleanups. She understands the concerns over fracking and pipeline development, including the effect that fracking has on water quality. She pledged not to take money from oil, gas and coal industries. She trusts scientific expertise, rather than relying on lobbyists for information.

Executive Committee Election

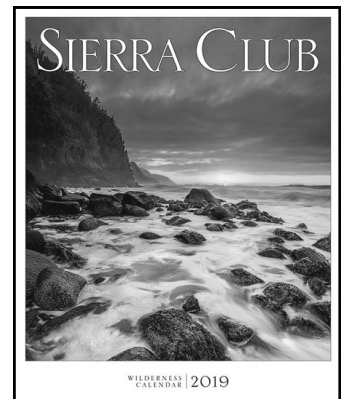
Who will lead the Governor Pinchot Group of the Sierra Club for the next two years? It is your choice. Executive Committee members serve two-year terms and make decisions about which programs and issues the group will undertake. Please choose up to six (6) candidates from the list below or write-in members you would like to elect. Ex Com members will serve from 2019-2020. The order of the names on the ballot was determined by a drawing of lots.

Please return the ballot by December 31, 2018 to: Robin Broderick, 3244 Green St, Harrisburg, Pa 17110

GVP Sierra Club Executive Committee Ballot		
Membership Type:	Individual	Joint
John Lenahan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
David Platt	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Randy Schaffer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jill Linta	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arlene Taylor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cece Viti	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Write-in	_____	_____
Write-in	_____	_____

It's Calendar Time! Give the Gift of Support

GVP is selling 2019 Sierra Club calendars at prices below retail. They make great gifts and a portion of your purchase goes to support our group's activities, like the annual Susquehanna River Cleanup. The Wilderness Calendar (wall calendar) is \$13. The Engagement Calendar (desk calendar) is \$14. Price includes tax. You can pick it up at either the holiday party on December 7 or the PA Chapter Office, 225 Market St., 5th Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17101. Please indicate your preference when ordering.



Mail order form and payment to: Rich Gordon, 744 Allenvue Drive, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055. Make checks payable to GVP.

Name _____	Item	Cost	Qty	Total
Address _____	Wilderness	\$13	_____	_____
City, State, Zip _____	Engagement	\$14	_____	_____
Phone _____	Total		_____	_____
Email _____				

Pick-up Location (check one): Party Office



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Holiday Party at C.C.'s Kitchen – Save the Date!

Join us for a holiday party with members and friends of the GVP Sierra Club on Friday, December 7, 2018, from 6-8 p.m. We have reserved the alcove room at C.C.'s Kitchen, 710 W Main St, Mechanicsburg, for our gathering.



Everyone will have the opportunity to order and pay on our own from the menu. For more information, email: jawasicek@gmail.com.

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What Can You Do?

- Currently 13 counties in eastern Pennsylvania are under limited-movement quarantine. If you live outside of the quarantine area and find a Spotted Lanternfly, report it! Send an email to Badbug@pa.gov or call the hotline at 1-888-4BAD-FLY (1-888-422-3359).
- Follow the Quarantine Compliance Checklist
- Destroy egg masses
- Remove Tree of Heaven, which is difficult to kill
- Band infected trees



For more information on the topics listed above, see www.agriculture.pa.gov and <https://extension.psu.edu/spotted-lanternfly>.

Source: www.agriculture.pa.gov

Spotted Lanternfly Image Source: Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture