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FESTIVAL TO CELEBRATE COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION

BURTONSVILLE, N.Y. (June 22, 2011) – The Schoharie River Center (SRC) will host Schoharie River Day, to celebrate the Schoharie River and the local community. The day will introduce SRC's new Environmental Education Center and Nature Preserve and will be filled with artisans, musicians, farmers, food, nature, and activities for all ages.

This event will be held on Saturday July 9, in Burtonsville. Registration for the annual fishing derby will be at 5:30a.m. at the Burtonsville Fire Hall and the fishing will begin at 6a.m. There will be a pancake breakfast from 9 to 11a.m. at the Fire Hall. The festival will run from 10a.m. to 4p.m. at the SRC, and the day will conclude with a chicken barbeque hosted by the Fire Department from 3 to 7p.m.

Enjoy live music from the local bands, Fairview Avenue and The Bentwood Rockers. There will be activities such as: a paddling workshop, a drum circle, a silent auction, guided nature walks, caricatures and face painting. Demonstrations include: live birds of prey, blacksmithing, pottery, learning about local produce and the 100-Mile Diet.

“We are here to provide a place where the public can learn about the Schoharie Creek and enjoy its natural beauty by participating in community based science and art programs, workshops, and walking our trails,” says John McKeeby, executive director. “This festival is a fundraiser for the SRC and proceeds will help add a full environmental biology laboratory to SRC’S new environmental center, and make the facility handicap accessible.”

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For more information on this event please visit SRC's website at www.schoharierivercenter.org.

The Schoharie River Center is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to educational and cultural programming about the Schoharie Creek and the communities which make up the Schoharie River Valley. It is located at 2025 Burtonville Road, Esperance, NY 12066.