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**SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT AREA ELEMENTARY STUDENTS
TO “TAKE A WALK ON THE WILD”:
SCHOOL DISTRICT FOUNDATION SPONSORS VISIT BY STAFF
FROM SHAVER’S CREEK ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER**

SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT, PA – First-grade students at Central Elementary in South Williamsport will **“Take a Walk on the Wild” on Tuesday, February 20, 2007 at 9:00 a.m., in the Multi-Purpose Room of Central Elementary.** Teacher Stephanie Trimble was awarded an Educator-In-Residence grant from the South Williamsport Area School District Foundation to bring educators from the Shaver’s Creek Environmental Center, Petersburg, PA to the district for an assembly titled, “Take a Walk on the Wild.”

Students will learn about native Pennsylvania birds, and will have the opportunity to see live birds during the program. Educators from the Environmental Center will also use slides, music, and creative dramatics to teach children respect and appreciation for the animals. The Shaver’s Creek Environmental Center is an outreach program of the Pennsylvania State University, and it is located in the Stone Valley Recreation Area, between State College and Huntingdon.

About the Foundation

The South Williamsport Area School District Foundation, formed in 2001, is a component fund of the Williamsport-Lycoming Community Foundation. The South Williamsport Area School District Foundation has a community-based committee that works to build endowed funds that benefit the district’s students.

The Williamsport-Lycoming Community Foundation is one of the oldest community foundations in the country. The Foundation has been making grants to community organizations since 1932, and has distributed over \$42 million in charitable funding to the region. The Williamsport-Lycoming Community Foundation is also the founding affiliate of the First Community Foundation of Pennsylvania. The First Community Foundation of Pennsylvania maximizes the power of people and their donated assets to build vibrant communities within Central and Northcentral Pennsylvania now and in the future. The Foundation focuses on sincerity and integrity in all of its relationships - including those with donors, estate and financial planning professionals, financial partners, current and potential grant recipients, government and business leaders, and the many individuals and families living in its service area.

For more information on the programs and services offered by the Foundation, or to learn more about ways to make a difference in the community, contact the Foundation office at (570) 321-1500, or visit the Foundation's website at www.fcfpa.org.

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