

TMCC Summer Day Camp Open House

Sat, May 1, 1-4 PM

Nature Learning Center, Albany

Tin Mountain is celebrating 26 years of summer camps. Come join the fun and find out what is happening this summer. From catching frogs to paddling on the pond, we promise a fun afternoon for families!

Brownfield Bog Bird Walks

Sat, May 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29, 7-10 AM

Meet at Grant's Parking Lot in Brownfield

Join a revolving slate of bird experts on this weekly bird walk through the bog and view the rich diversity of bird life that makes its way north to rest or nest. Bring binoculars, rubber boots, and a snack.

Delving Below the Soil Surface

Fri, May 7, 6-9 PM Sat, May 8, 10 AM-1 PM

Nature Learning Center

Develop a better understanding of the relationship between soil, vegetation, and the surrounding environment. Joe Homer, NRCS Soil Conservationist is an expert in this field. Friday features soil basics and identification of soil types. Saturday's session offers hands on examination of soil types.

EcoForum: Nesting Boxes

Thurs, May 13, Noon-1PM

Nature Learning Center

Join NRCS conservationists Debra Eddison and Nels Liljedahl to learn what birds and bats are live near you and what types of nesting boxes they utilize. It's a great way to make your yard friendly to our local flying residents!

12th TMCC Annual Meeting and Field DaySat, May 15 *Nature Learning Center*

Morning field trips, 11:30 Annual Meeting
12:00 Luncheon Barbeque

1:00 Keynote Speaker: Dean Bennett, *author of Nature and Renewal: Wild River Valley and Beyond*
Cost: \$7/person or \$20/family-Lunch Included
RSVP by May 12 603-447-6991

New Hampshire Bird Migration

Thurs, May 27, 7 PM

Nature Learning Center

Why do birds leave and where do they go? What factors on their winter grounds affect survival? Join Leonard Reitsma, Professor of Zoology at Plymouth State University, to learn more about the ecology of migratory birds in the Granite State.

EcoForum: NH's Endangered Plants

Thurs, June 10, Noon-1 PM

Nature Learning Center

Melissa Coppola of the NH Natural Heritage Bureau will discuss efforts to protect the state's native plants and present an overview of NH's threatened and endangered plants species.

Bird Populations and Climate Change

Thurs, June 10, 7 PM

Nature Learning Center

Join Nicholas Rodenhouse, Professor of Biology at Wellesley College, to explore the effects of environmental changes, including climate change, on migratory song bird populations in NH.

Mountain-Laurel Walk

June 19, 10 AM-1 PM

Rockwell Sanctuary, Albany

Join the staff as we wander through the most northerly and largest mountain-laurel population in NH. The shrubs should be at the height of bloom during this walk through an extraordinary forest community of pitch, red, and white pine, scrub and red oak, and other interesting plant assemblages.

Full Moon Paddle in the Brownfield Bog

Sat, June 26, 7-9:30 PM

Meet at Grant's Parking Lot in Brownfield

Explore the waters and wetlands of the Brownfield Bog as dusk falls and the full moon rises. Bring your own canoe or borrow ours. Reservations needed.

Wild Orchids of the Valley I

Sun, June 20, 10 AM-3 PM

Meet at Nature Learning Center

Join Paul Martin Brown, author of *Wild Orchids of the Northeast* and editor of the *North American Orchid Journal*, as he leads a small group of intrepid enthusiasts to search for sparkling gems of our northern flora. Space limited, call 447-6991 for reservations. \$10m \$15nm

Geology of the Redstone Quarry

Tues, July 6, 9 AM-Noon

Meet Hemlock Lane Cul-de-Sac

Local resident Steve Swenson and Teacher Naturalist Carol Foord will lead this exploration of the history and geology of the Redstone Quarry, one of the most sophisticated stone cutting operations of the past century. Wear sturdy shoes for a moderate hike. Space limited, call 447-6991 for reservations.



Bird (YOB)

Nature Programs Spring/Summer 2010

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Thanks to L.L. Bean and Natural Resources Conservation Service for their sponsorship.

Donations of \$3/person and \$5/family, unless otherwise stated, are greatly appreciated. Members are free! Programs are open to the public.

Eco-Forums are free and held every second Thurs of the month from Noon-1 PM. Flatbread Company of North Conway and the Rock House Baker generously provide pizza and pastries.

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*Nature Learning Center***Delving Below the Soil Surface II**

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Thurs, May 13, Noon-1PM

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Sat, May 15

*Nature Learning Center***Tin Mountain Herbarium Project I**

Sat, May 22, 10-3 PM

*Nature Learning Center***New Hampshire Bird Migration (YOB)**

Thurs, May 27, 7 PM

*Nature Learning Center***Tin Mountain Herbarium Project II**

Sat, June 5, 10-3 PM

*Nature Learning Center***EcoForum: NH's Endangered Plants**

Thurs, June 10, Noon-1 PM

*Nature Learning Center***Bird Populations & Climate Change (YOB)**

Thurs, June 10, 7 PM

*Nature Learning Center***Tin Mountain Herbarium Project III**

Tues, June 15, 4:30-7:30 PM

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June 19, 10 AM-1 PM

*Nature Learning Center***Wild Orchids of the Valley**

Sun, June 20, 10 AM-3 PM

*Nature Learning Center***Full Moon Paddle in the Brownfield Bog**

Sat, June 26, 7-9:30 PM

*Nature Learning Center***Tin Mountain Herbarium Project IV**

Tues, June 29, 4:30-7:30 PM

*Nature Learning Center***Geology of the Redstone Quarry**

Tues, July 6, 9 AM-Noon

*Meet Hemlock Lane Cul-de-Sac***EcoForum: Maine Woods National Park**

Thurs, July 8, Noon-1 PM

*Nature Learning Center***New England Lakes and Pond**

Thurs, July 8, 7 PM

*Nature Learning Center***Wild Orchids of the Valley II**

Sun, July 11, 10 AM-3 PM

*Nature Learning Center***Tin Mountain Herbarium Project V**

Tues, July 13, 4:30-7:30 PM

*Nature Learning Center***Mt. Washington Century Ride**

Sat, July 17

*See: www.tinmountain.org***Author Gary Hirshberg-Stirring It Up**

Thurs, July 22, 7 PM

*Nature Learning Center***Alpine Adventure**

Sun, July 25, 7 AM

*AMC Pinkham Notch Center***Snakes of New Hampshire**

Thurs, July 29, 6:30 PM

*Nature Learning Center***Tin Mountain Herbarium Project VI**

Sat, July 31, 10-3 PM

*Nature Learning Center***Umbagog Canoe Trip**

Sat, Aug 7, 6:30 AM-5 PM

*Meet Jackson Historical Society***Tin Mountain Herbarium Project VII**

Tues, Aug 10, 4:30-7:30 PM

*Nature Learning Center***EcoForum: NH Climate Action Plan**

Thurs, Aug 12, Noon-1 PM

*Nature Learning Center***Tour of the Ghost Saw Mill at White Ledge**

Sat, Aug 14, 9 AM-Noon

*Nature Learning Center***Tin Mountain Herbarium Project**

Saturdays 10-3 PM Tuesdays 4:30-7:30 PM

\$15m, \$20nm session or \$125 m, \$160 nm pre-register all sessions

Noted botanist Paul Martin Brown will teach skills necessary to develop a herbarium and help create a lasting record of all plants found at Tin Mountain's 140-acre Rockwell Sanctuary. Participants will learn necessary skills from searching and collecting to pressing and mounting plant specimens. This multi-session field study is ideal for families with tasks for all ages. Knowledge of local plants is helpful but not essential. Participants will learn to identify plants as we progress with the summer-long project. Study groups will meet from late May through early Oct. Sessions combine field and lab work. If your mobility is limited in the field, there is more than enough lab work to keep you busy! There is something for everyone!

Sat, May 22 Tues, June 15 Tues, July 13 Tues, Aug 10 Tues, Sept 7 Sat, Oct 9
Sat, June 5 Tues, June 29 Sat, July 31 Sat, Aug 28 Sat, Sept 25

EcoForum: Maine Woods National Park

Thurs, July 8, Noon-1 PM

Nature Learning Center

Jym St. Pierre, Maine Director of RESTORE: The North Woods, will discuss ideas to restore Maine's globally significant wild lands - including creating a spectacular 3.2-million-acre national park & preserve.

Threats to New England Lakes and Ponds

Thurs, July 8, 7 PM

Nature Learning Center

Roger Wheeler has participated in the water quality debate in New England for many years. He will discuss the effects of pollution in our inland waters, unnatural flows, and fragmentation of ecosystems by dams on the Gulf of ME ecosystem.

Wild Orchids of the Valley II

Sun, July 11, 10-3PM

Meet at Nature Learning Center

Ossipee to north of Gorham offers some of the best orchid hunting territory in New England. Easy access to roadsides, open meadows, and borrow pits provide homes for more than 30 species of wild orchids.

Stirring It Up with Author Gary Hirshberg

Thurs, July 22, 7 PM

Nature Learning Center

Gary Hirshberg, CEO of Stonyfield Farm, will discuss his experience maintaining a profitable green socially responsible company while addressing large-scale organic agriculture and sustainable economic development. A member-only local foods potluck will precede the event at 5pm. RSVP to 447-6991.

Alpine Adventure

Sun, July 25, 7 AM

AMC Pinkham Notch Center

The staff will lead this strenuous hike into the Alpine Gardens via the headwall of Tuckerman's Ravine. We will observe plant communities as well as search for summer alpine flowers in bloom.

Snakes of New Hampshire

Thurs, July 29, 6:30 PM

Rockwell Sanctuary, Albany

Herpetologist Stephen Walker will share his knowledge of these quiet reptiles of the fields, forests, and wetlands. The evening includes plenty of exploration time for searching for snakes.

Umbagog Canoe Trip

Sat, Aug 7, 6:30 AM-5 PM

Meet Jackson Historical Society

Ply the waters of Lake Umbagog National Wildlife Refuge where loons, bald eagles, osprey, and moose abound. Bring binoculars and a hearty lunch. Use your own canoe/kayak, or borrow our canoes. Space limited. Call 447-6991 for reservations. \$10/m, 15/nm.

EcoForum: NH Climate Action Plan

Thurs, Aug 12, Noon-1 PM

Nature Learning Center

Chris Skoglund, NH Department of Environmental Services, will describe the State's Climate Action Plan and discuss tools available for reducing emissions while strengthening the economy.

Tour of the Ghost Saw Mill at White Ledge

Sat, Aug 14, 9 AM-Noon

Nature Learning Center

Logger and local historian Fred Lavigne will lead this trip to the remains of an abandoned sawmill near White Ledge. Explore the old foundations and relics and learn more about the rich logging history that helped shaped the Mt. Washington Valley.

Wednesday Night Summer**Nature Walks and Talks Begin July 7***Check the web for details***Riders Wanted for the****Mt Washington Century Ride, Sat, July 17****Register on line at www.tinmountain.org****Volunteers wanted for the****Mt. Washington Hill Climb Sat, Aug 21****weather date, Sun, Aug 22 Call 603-447-6991****Nature Nuts****Every Wednesday 10-11:30 AM****For children 3 - 5 and their parents**

Cost per child: \$6 M, \$8 NM, \$4 each additional child
Children and parents join TMCC naturalists on seasonal exploration of the natural world. Enjoy nature songs, crafts, hikes, and games