



Living with Wildlife

I received a call two years ago from someone who was concerned about a box turtle in her yard. The neighbors had a large dog and she wanted someone to come rescue the turtle. She repeated a phrase that widened my eyes to the issues of living with wildlife: "I live in town; there's not supposed to be wildlife here." I don't know which southeast Missouri or southern Illinois town she lived in, but I'd bet that many types of wildlife persist there.

Wildlife surrounds us. We live in a very biologically diverse region and are blessed to have many kinds of plants, trees, mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, fish, insects, and so much more living all around us. No doubt, all wildlife are important and fill special niches in our region, whether we understand or appreciate it or not. The issues arise from the fact that we share the same living space.

The deer do not know of political boundaries and recognizing vehicles isn't hard-wired into their minds, but they do seem to enjoy my hostas and

prairie wildflowers. Cooper's hawks don't understand that I put out bird seed to enjoy songbirds that gather there. The hawk simply recognizes an avian smorgasbord when he sees one and relishes the opportunity to dine on one of "my" birds. When they push up the earth, the moles don't care that it makes a mess above ground, but their very presence indicates that I must have healthy soil. The fact is that my house, driveway and scattered outdoor suburban stuff are in the neighborhood where wildlife live. In the words of our Saturday morning childhood philosopher, Bugs Bunny, "If you can't beat 'em, join 'em."

Wildlife is not to be considered something that we simply endure, but rather, welcome. While I don't want more "pesky" insects around my yard, there are many beneficial bees, colorful beetles, gorgeous butterflies and small stealthy spiders that love my prairie wildflower patches. The variety and large number of these insects also attracts hungry songbirds that I get to enjoy. In the wet spot of

the yard that I loathe mowing, I finally gave in and established some wet-land plants and added a small rotting log. When I look closely, I see a whole world of animals that thrive there, including a striking spotted salamander who appreciates all who gather at the decomposing log banquet. The greater diversity of native plants and wildlife that we have, the healthier the community we live in.

When the raccoon gets into the trash or the Mockingbird wakes me at three in the morning or I'm stung by a bee, I'm reminded that living with wildlife is indeed like a bed of roses – thorns and all! If you're interested in learning more about living with wildlife or inviting wildlife to your property, visit the nature center and take advantage of the resources and knowledgeable people there. I hope that more of us will be able to say, "I live in town, and I'm grateful for the wildlife that live here."

-Steven Juhlin,
Assistant Nature Center Manager

Attention Fall Deer and Turkey Hunters!

Stop by the nature center and pick up the proper permits for your fall hunting trips!

- Permits can be purchased at the nature shop Tuesday through Saturday, 8am-4:30pm.
- We accept cash, check or credit card (Discover, Mastercard or VISA).



Don't be caught without one!



Come to the Fair!

Visit the Conservation Department's building at the SEMO District Fair and "Celebrate Missouri's Waters."

Volunteer Corner

Preparing the Face of Conservation

When getting ready to go downtown, my great aunt would say she needed to “prepare my face.” She always wanted to look her best when interacting with people. Before going in front of the television camera, into the office, or out on the town, many people “prepare their face” with colors and creams to look pleasing, confident, and attractive. The impressions we give not only represent who we are, but who we’re with.



Attendees gathered for the keynote presentation.

Our nature center volunteers are often considered the face of conservation. They may be the first (or only) person our visitors meet whether at the front desk, in a program or at an off-site event. They represent the Conservation

Department and nature center, so it’s important for them to be informative, polite and confident. Recently, some of our volunteer crew were fortunate to attend a statewide conference just for Conservation Department volunteers. By attending various breakout sessions and hearing great speakers, they learned about current research and popular issues, honed customer service skills, and received inspiration charging them to do their very best. Given these opportunities to learn and grow, we continue to prepare our volunteers to better serve visitors and provide outstanding programs. We are blessed to have such dedicated and knowledgeable people at the nature center who serve as the face of conservation.

-Steven Juhlin, Volunteer Coordinator



Engaging discussion during a conference session.



Our nature center volunteer group enjoyed a side trip to Johnson Shut-ins State Park en route.

Volunteer Milestones

100 Hours

Ryan Rose

1500 Hours

Donna Magwitz

4000 Hours

Joan Anderson

Thank You

for donations of Time, Material, and Service

Beth Langston-Nature Art Supplies

Hauno Garcia-Bird Nest

Vicki Raines-Art Supplies

Jerry Dryer-Natural Artifact

Dan Braswell-Turkey Mount

for purchase of paving stones

Connie Jaco in memory of Dallas Cooling

Tony & Alicia Jaco in memory of Tim Clippard

Tadpoles

(Shared nature experiences for 0-2 year olds and an attending adult.)



September

Saturday, September 28-10 AM

Going Nutty

Nuts are starting to fall from the trees. Inside each one is a baby tree seed. Find out through stories and activities what will happen to the seeds. We will also explore the nature trail to find different types of nuts. **Ages 0-2. Registration begins September 3.**

October

Saturday, October 19-10 AM

Who Flies at Night?

Even though it's dark, owls, bats, and moths come out at night to fly and hunt for food! Learn more about these remarkable nocturnal animals and what it's like to fly at night. **Ages 0-2. Registration begins October 1.**

November

Saturday, November 23-10 AM

Busy as a Beaver

Do beavers actually use their tails to build? Let's get busy with activities to answer that question and discover what and how they are building! **Ages 0-2. Registration begins November 1.**

Kids' Club Program Information

September

Saturday, September 21
10-11:30 AM

Fishing

You get a line, I'll get a pole, and we'll go down to the fishin' hole. Discover tricks and tips to increase fishing success and fish in the kids-only fishing pond. Make a fish print t-shirt (bring your own light-colored t-shirt). **Ages 7-11. Registration begins September 3.**



October

Saturday, October 25 & 26

Alien Invaders!

Bring your families to Alien Invaders! Friday or Saturday evening. **Ages 7-11. No registration required.**

November

Saturday, November 2
10-11:30AM

Turkey Treasure Orienteering

Turkeys are a crafty lot! And who knew they go around hiding treasure? Learn or brush up on your compass skills and then go in search of the secret turkey treasure! **Ages 7-11. Early registration begins October 15.**

October

Saturday, October 12
10AM-3 PM

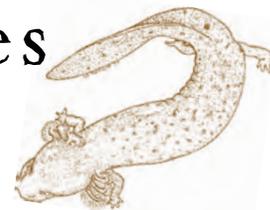
Swamp Paddling

What could be more fun than a canoe trip through the swamp? Discover what southeast Missouri would have looked like to the early settlers as we paddle the murky waters of Allred Lake. **Ages 12-15. Registration begins October 1.**



Mudpuppies

(45-minute programs for 3-6 year olds and an attending adult.)



September

Saturday, September 21-10 AM or 11:30 AM
Tuesday, September 24-9 AM or 11 AM

Beautiful Butterflies

Butterflies are a beautiful sight to see as they flit around from one flower to the next, but what exactly are they doing? Why does a baby caterpillar look so different from the adult butterfly? Flutter on in for a magical experience as you learn the answers to these questions. **Ages 3-6. Registration begins September 3.**

October

Saturday, October 12-10 AM or 11:30 AM
Tuesday, October 15-9 AM or 11 AM

Get a Bat Attitude

Go batty with us and learn why humans need bats and why bats need friends like you. **Ages 3-6. Registration begins October 1.**

November

Saturday, November 16-10 AM or 11:30 AM
Tuesday, November 19-9 AM or 11 AM

Calling All Owls!

Who-o-o-o hoots when it gets dark? Who-o-o-o goes out for food at night? Is it a wise old owl? Join us at the nature center during daylight hours to learn about these night time birds. **Ages 3-6. Registration begins November 1.**

KIDS

KIDS CORNER

Leaf ID
Can you figure out what type of trees these leaves came from?







Answer: 1-Redbud; 2-Sugar Maple; 3-Tulip Tree

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SEPTEMBER

TO REGISTER FOR A PROGRAM:

Programs are free. Call 573-290-5218 to sign up for a program requiring registration. If you are unable to attend a program, please call and cancel as a courtesy to those on the waiting list.

Art Gallery-September

Visit the nature center art gallery to view "The Natural World," which showcases a collection of oils by Volunteer Sue Corvick.

Swift Night Out: A Flight Phenomena

September 3 • Tuesday • 6:30–8 PM
No registration required (all ages)

By the thousands, tiny twittering Chimney swifts roost in chimneys and gather in our area preparing for their wintering flight to South America. Help with this national research count or simply watch as they circle in for the night and dive into the chimney. Meet at St. Vincent's Church, 1919 Ritter, Cape Girardeau. Bring a camp chair. Youth and adult groups welcome.

Waders and Shorebirds of Otter Slough

September 7 • Saturday • 7 AM–3 PM
No registration required (ages 8+)

Join the Swamp Candle Birders as they stop at various places around Otter Slough Conservation Area to view migrating shorebirds and wading birds. Learn about their migration and how to identify them as you enjoy great views through spotting scopes and binoculars (provided). Bring lunch and drink. Dress for the weather. Depart nature center parking lot at 7 am. Contact sebirding@yahoo.com for details.

Homeschool Special: It's a Buggy World

September 11 • Wednesday •
9:30–11 AM or 1–2:30 PM

Registration begins September 3 (ages 6+)
Bugs are everywhere! They can be found in all types of habitats and serve an important purpose. Learn some basic insect identification skills and head out to the field to catch some of our winged friends.

Monarch Magic

September 14 • Saturday • 9 AM–3 PM
No registration required (all ages)

The Monarch butterfly is one of the most amazing insects. Their migratory journey alone makes you think they would have to be magical. Help us celebrate these dainty insects by participating in Monarch tagging, learning how to attract them, and playing some butterfly games. Youth and adult groups welcome.

Nature Center at Night: Spectacular Spiders

September 19 • Thursday • 5–8 PM
No registration required (all ages)

Spiders aren't spooky! They are an important part of nature. Examine some different types of eight-legged arthropods that call Missouri home. Attend one of the two naturalist-led spider presentations at 6 or 7 pm. Youth and adult groups welcome.

Nature Art: Fall Memories

September 19 • Thursday • 6:30–8 PM
Registration begins September 3 (ages 16+)

Fall in Southeast Missouri is beautiful. Highlight this local, natural beauty by making a two-page scrapbook layout for your favorite photos, drawings, or mementos of autumn.

Garden Tour: Fall Bloomers

September 21 • Saturday • 9:30–11 AM
No registration required (ages 8+)

Enjoy wonderful colors in your garden well into late fall. A wide variety of asters, blazing stars, and some specialties like Cardinal flower could be added to your garden. Discover these plants and more during this stroll through the nature center gardens.

Conservation Café – Sue Corvick

September 24 • Tuesday • 6:30–8 PM
Registration begins September 3 (ages 8+)

Sue Corvick finds the natural world to be a rich source of inspiration for her paintings. Come listen as she shares what moves her to capture an image on canvas.

Nature Art: Fall Memories

September 28 • Saturday • 2–3:30 PM
Registration begins September 3 (ages 16+)

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Day on the River

September 28 • Saturday • 9 AM–4 PM
No registration required (all ages)

Seize this opportunity to learn the river's mysteries and transformation through time. Hands-on activities will teach you the importance of wetlands. Fun for the entire family featuring crafts, live animals, and boat rides on the Mississippi. Boat rides will take place every half hour (except from noon – 1 pm) at Riverfront Park. Youth and adult groups welcome.

Missourians care about conserving forests, fish and wildlife.

Are Daddy-Long-Legs the most venomous spider?

Many people believe that Daddy Long-legs are the most venomous spiders in the world. This is actually a myth. The Missouri arachnid that we commonly call the "Daddy Long-legs" is actually not a spider at all! They also do not have venom glands. Since they cannot make any venom, their bite would be harmless.

This group of arachnids is also called Harvestmen and is related to spiders. Rather than having two distinct body parts like a spider, they have a flat, oval body with no waist.

The Daddy Long-legs that you find outside crawling amongst the leaf litter is very beneficial to the forest habitat. A large part of their diet is rotten or decaying plants and animals. Their role as decomposers helps to return nutrients to the soil which allows us to have healthy trees.

So this fall when you are out jumping in piles of leaves, remember that the Daddy Long-legs' reputation is much worse than its bite.

-Angela Pierce

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OCTOBER

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Connecting People with the Land

October 5 • Saturday • 9 AM-4 PM

No registration required (all ages)

Discover the rich cultural and natural resources of southeast Missouri. Fishing, archery, cordage making, woodcarving and archaeology identification are just a few of the activities you can observe or try. Spend the day or a few hours while learning how the past connects us to the future. Youth and adult groups welcome.

The History of Swampast Missouri

October 5 • Saturday • 11 AM and 12:30 PM

No registration required (all ages)

A gifted storyteller and retired history professor, Dr. Frank Nickell's wit and love for the past bring the rich and diverse history of our region to life. Come relax and listen to this entertaining and knowledgeable guide as he takes you on a journey to the familiar places and people of days gone by.

Nature Center at Night: Missouri Bats

October 10 • Thursday • 5-8 PM

No registration required (all ages)

Are bats blind? Does a bat really try to fly into your hair? Help us debunk these myths and more by discovering what a bat's life is really like. Attend one of the two naturalist-led bat presentations at 6 or 7 pm. Youth and adult groups welcome.

Nature Art: Woodland Treasures

October 10 • Thursday • 6-8 PM

Registration begins October 1 (ages 18+)

Make beautiful pins, frames and trinket boxes using twigs, leaves, pine cones and bits of this and that. All you need to bring with you is your imagination and a love of glue, but you're welcome to bring any supplies you have that you think will add to your creation. This month's Nature Art will be 2-hours long on Thursday night only.

Hawk Watch at Knob Lick Towersite

October 12 • Saturday • 7 AM-1 PM

No registration required (ages 8+)

This is the height of hawk migration when thousands of hawks are moving through this area. At this great vista, we'll watch as they rise up in the morning and make their way south. Viewing is available from the tower as well as the ground. Experts will cover identification and binoculars are available for viewing. Bring a snack and drink. Dress for the weather. Carpool from nature center parking lot at 7 am. For more details, contact sebirding@yahoo.com for details.

Garden Tour: Putting Your Garden to Bed

October 12 • Saturday • 9:30-11 AM

No registration required (ages 8+)

As flowers fade and plants go to seed, there are things you can do to help both you and your garden come spring. During our walk around the gardens, you'll see examples of this and learn more about the nature of different plants and how they shut down over winter.

We help people discover nature.

Alien Invaders!

October 25 & 26 • Friday & Saturday • 6:30-9:30 PM

No registration required (all ages)

Missouri is under attack by aliens and you're invited to help in the battle. During 30-minute guided walks with MIB specialists, you'll encounter each of these space invaders and discover the tricks to eliminate them. Receive additional alien invader training indoors through various activities. If you've enjoyed the Men In Black movies, you'll love Alien Invaders! Free tickets at the door beginning at 6 pm on a first-come, first-served basis. The last tour departs at 9 pm.

Hike at Hawn State Park

October 26 • Saturday • 8:15 AM-5 PM

Registration begins October 1 (ages 8+)

Hike the six-mile Whispering Pine trail to view this fascinating forest community in all of its Autumn splendor. Hike rated moderate.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Cape Girardeau Conservation Nature Center is located in North Cape Girardeau County Park off Kingshighway just east of Interstate 55 at exit 99.

The Cape Girardeau Conservation Nature Center is operated through hunting and fishing license revenues and through the 1/8% "Design for Conservation" sales tax. There is no admission charge.

BUILDING HOURS

Tuesday-Saturday: 8 AM-5 PM

Closed Sundays, Mondays, New Year's Day, Thanksgiving, day after Thanksgiving, and Christmas

AREA HOURS

Daily: Sunrise-10 PM in accordance with the Cape Girardeau County Park

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Nature center grounds and trails are closed to pets, horses, hunting, collecting, littering, fires, and alcoholic beverages.

The trails are also closed to bicycles, jogging, in-line skates, skateboards, scooters, and motorized vehicles.

Phone: 573/290-5218

Fax: 573/290-5566

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Art Gallery-October

Visit the auditorium to view entries from the "Mingo Swamp Flora and Fauna" photography contest sponsored by the Mingo Swamp Friends Association. This annual contest showcases the best of the Mingo National Wildlife Refuge and the local photographers who cherish it.

Art Gallery-October

"Views of Missouri" is a collection of photography by members of the River Region Photo Association.

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Atlatl Saturday

November 2 • Saturday • NOON- 4 PM

No registration required (all ages)

According to the 2013 Missouri Hunting and Trapping Regulations, "atlatls may be used to take wildlife during hunting seasons (except turkey during the spring season)." Wondering exactly what an atlatl is? Come to the nature center and find out and try your hand at using one. The whole family can safely participate in this activity.

Natural Dyes

November 2 • Saturday • 1-4 PM

Early registration begins October 15 (ages 16+)

Your backyard and roadsides can provide you with some of the most beautiful colors! Discover the native berries, nuts, roots, and leaves that can be used to make natural dyes. Don't forget to dress for a mess!

Meet the Artist - Larry Braun

November 2 • Saturday • 2-4 PM

No registration required (all ages)

Local photographer Larry Braun likes to capture the simple beauties of Missouri, especially the state parks and conservation areas of southeast Missouri, including General Watkins, Donaldson Point, and Tywappity Community Lake. Drop by and visit with him as he discusses his photos and techniques.

Scoutin' Around

November 9 • Saturday • 9 AM-4 PM

Registration begins October 1 (ages 5+)

Attention kindergarten through sixth grade scouts! Join us for a day of Scoutin' Around where we'll focus on badges related to outdoor skills, forestry and plants. Hikes, discovery tables and a variety of activities will be offered to help connect you with the land and assist you in meeting your goals. For a list of the badge requirements that will be covered, contact the nature center. Youth groups welcome.

Homeschool Special: Web of Life

November 13 • Wednesday •

9:30-11 AM or 1-2:30 PM

Registration begins November 1 (ages 6+)

All living things are connected together through food webs. Find out through interactive games and activities what it takes to maintain a healthy food web.

Art Gallery-November

"Natural Beauties" is a collection of photography by Benton native Larry Braun. Larry enjoys capturing the beauty of local conservation areas and state parks in southeast Missouri.

Nature Center at Night:

Nature Trivia

November 14 • Thursday • 5-8 PM

No registration required (all ages)

Have you often wondered if you have what it takes to be a naturalist? Drop by and test your knowledge of the natural world by trying to identify some mysterious artifacts and the animals that left them behind. Youth and adult groups welcome.

Conservation pays by enriching our economy and quality of life.

Nature Art: Nature Journal Gift

November 14 • Thursday • 6-8 PM

Registration begins November 1 (ages 16+)

Handmade gifts are the best, and if they encourage people to notice the natural world they are even better. Join us as we turn simple lunch bags into a nature journal that will hold nature memories for an entire year.

Duck Decoy Making

November 15 • Friday • 6-10 PM and

November 16 • Saturday • 8 AM-2 PM

Registration begins November 1 (ages 8+)

Make a beautiful decoy from cork to use for waterfowl hunting or unique art. Learn about duck identification, duck ecology and decoy history as you sculpt and paint your own decoy. Cost for materials is \$15. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

Nature Art: Nature Journal Gift

November 23 • Saturday • 2-3:30 PM

Registration begins November 1 (ages 16+)

Handmade gifts are the best, and if they encourage people to notice the natural world they are even better. Join us as we turn simple lunch bags into a nature journal that will hold nature memories for an entire year.

Holiday Closings

The nature center will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 28-29 but the White Oak Trace trail will be open. The nature center will be open Saturday, November 30.

NOVEMBER

TO REGISTER FOR A PROGRAM:

Programs are free. Call 573-290-5218 to sign up for a program requiring registration. If you are unable to attend a program, please call and cancel as a courtesy to those on the waiting list.

Coming in December

Nature Art: Nature's Decor

December 7 • Saturday • 9 AM, 11 AM, 1 PM or 3 PM

Early registration begins November 15 (ages 18+)

Deck the halls with boughs of holly... the holidays are just around the corner and we're in the mood to decorate! We'll use nature's resources to create wonderful winter wreaths, swags, and garlands. You provide a grapevine wreath (you choose the size and shape you want) and we'll provide everything else to do your decorating.

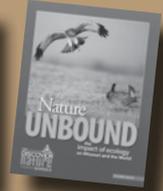
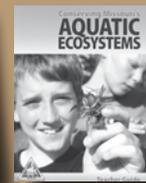


Monarch Butterfly on Indian Pink (Danaus plexippus)

This monarch had just emerged from its chrysalis. The Monarch's lazy flight doesn't give a clue to their toughness. Famous for their great migration, they also have a way to avoid becoming dinner. Predators that manage to bite their rubbery bodies find they don't taste good and will release them. The Viceroy butterfly mimics the Monarch's coloration as protection. If you wish to attract Monarchs and give them a leg up for their journey, plant milkweed, coneflowers and New England Asters.

Flying Wild training will be held at the Cape Girardeau Nature Center on October 11-12 from 9am to 4pm each day. This training is ideal for teachers AND youth leaders. Activities include those lead by teachers, students, and activities for festivals and fairs. Please register by September 17.

Growing Up Wild training will be held at the Cape Girardeau Nature Center on November 12 from 6-9pm. This is the early childhood version of Project Wild and is appropriate for those teaching ages 0-5 years old. Please register by October 28.



Educators' Niche

For information about upcoming trainings and workshops, please contact Bridget Jackson at bridget.jackson@mdc.mo.gov or call 573-290-5858 ext 4464. You can also visit the MO Dept of Conservation's website at www.mdc.mo.gov.

Discover Nature Schools

The Discover Nature Schools (DNS) program provides new and interesting curriculum that incorporates hands-on outdoor activities featuring Missouri ecosystems. Teaching students outside has been shown to help improve test scores and help with behavior issues. Each unit comes with excellent teacher and student guides. These materials are free to public, private, or homeschool educators. Grant monies are also available for field trips and supplies for K-12 teachers in the public or private school sectors.

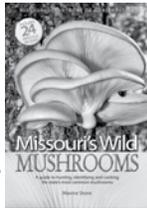
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What's HOT in the NATURE SHOP!

September/October

Missouri's Wild Mushrooms

A guide to hunting, identifying and cooking the state's most common mushrooms. A must-have for outdoor lovers, mushroom enthusiasts and cooks, the book features color photographs and detailed descriptions of 102 species. As a bonus, chanterelle quiche and 23 other simple and elegant recipes will awaken your foraging instincts!



**Discounted price:
\$11.20 plus tax**

Cooking Wild in Missouri

Whether you hunt, fish, or forage, Bernadette Dryden's collection of recipes offers imaginative, fresh ideas for turning your harvest into a mouth-watering feast. With an emphasis on local, seasonal ingredients and a scope encompassing a variety of cultures and cuisines, Cooking Wild in Missouri is sure to earn a trusted spot in your kitchen.



**Discounted price:
\$12.00 plus tax**

The Nature Shop features a variety of nature-related books, videos/DVDs, and resources to increase awareness and knowledge of conservation and the outdoors.

20% Off*
these monthly specials!

November/December

Show-Me Herps

An uncommonly colorful guide to 50 cool amphibians and reptiles in Missouri.

Produced in the format of the popular Show-Me Bugs book, this guide to 50 salamanders, toads, frogs, turtles, lizards and snakes will charm naturalists of all ages. Illustrator Steve Buchanan—who so stunningly brought Missouri insects to life in Show-Me Bugs—works his same magic here.



**Discounted price:
\$6.36 plus tax**

Show-Me Bugs

Show-Me Bugs introduces you to Missouri's most fascinating and most ecologically important wildlife.

Use it to get to know some of the little creatures that help keep the Show-Me state clean, green and natural. This book is finely detailed with full-color illustrations. It is fun to read, perfect for kids, families, teachers and gardeners.



**Discounted price:
\$6.36 plus tax**

Nature Deficit Tidbit

No matter the age of your students, utilizing nature in your teaching can help them be better students, have better problem solving skills, and be healthier and happier individuals. Here are five ways to add nature to your classroom.

1. Get to know the research relating to the need for nature in our students' lives.
 2. Join the Natural Teachers Network.
 3. Teach the teachers – if you are a nature teacher, share your knowledge and experience with colleagues that are not.
 4. Create a educator for nature club.
 5. Green-up your schoolyard.
- There will be more ways to add nature to your classroom in the next newsletter.

For more information, please join the Children & Nature Network Newsletter at www.childrenandnature.org. The info above is from the March 23, 2013 issue.

**Nature Shop Sale
November 28, 29, 30
December 17-21**

Last minute shopping got you flustered? Escape the hustle and bustle and relax while completing your gift list in the nature shop--and receive 20%* off all nature shop items!

*Conservation Heritage Card discounts do not apply.

HOLIDAY SALE

ALIEN INVADERS

Invaders have arrived and are taking over!

OCTOBER 25 & 26
6:30 - 9:30 PM

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Connecting People with the Land

Saturday, October 5

9am to 4pm



Serving nature and you®



- Watch flintknapping and view native American artifacts
- Learn about traditional archery, fishing and hunting through demonstration stations
- Listen to guest speakers and visit exhibitors