



BIRDS OF PREY

Sunday,
March 25, 2012
1:00–2:00 P.M. &
3:00–4:00 P.M.

Get a close-up look at a live Golden Eagle, Turkey Vulture, Red-tailed Hawk, and other birds of prey with Tom Ricardi, a licensed MA rehabilitator and wildlife biologist. Learn how he helped restore the American bald eagle to the Northeast.

Donation: Prepay by check by March 20:
Adults: \$10,
Children 5-12: \$5
4 and under: Free.

*At the Door: Adults: \$12
Children \$6*

Pre-registered group rates available.

Location:

Mercymount Country Day School

**Proceeds to benefit
New Dawn Earth Center**

Call 401-333-1341 to make reservations.

Send checks to:

New Dawn Earth Center,
75 Wrentham Road,
Cumberland, RI 02864



PLEASE REGISTER

for all programs by calling:

401-333-1341

If the listed program donation is an impediment, give what you can!

THANK YOU

*Thank you to all
who donated to our annual appeal.*

**Volunteers and volunteer groups
needed for:**

- Children's programs
- Garden
- Outdoor Projects
- Bluebird box monitors
- Vernal pool monitors



Save the Date!
Friday June 15, 2012
Wine-tasting at
Diamond Hill Vineyard
5:00–7:00 P.M.



EARTH CENTER

MISSION STATEMENT

The New Dawn Earth Center invites everyone to learn from, honor and celebrate the interconnectedness of all life. We seek to live ever more sustainably, maintaining a balance with local resources and natural cycles. We aim to create a space where humans can be in relationship with Earth and thereby nurture their own spirit. We commit ourselves to collaborate with those who share a similar vision.



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EARTH CENTER

Programs Winter/Spring 2012

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Visit our website

for more programs.

www.newdawnearthcenter.org

For the Family —

WINTER TRACKING

Friday February 24 and

Saturday February 25 1:30 P.M. — 3:30 P.M.

Through inter-active activities, learn about the different tracks of animals and investigate tracking scenarios. On a walk in the woods try to match the scat, prints and diggings to the animal that left the sign behind.

Donation \$8 or \$28/ per family.

Pre-register by Thursday February 23rd.

FAMILY EQUINOX HIKE TO A VERNAL POOL

Sunday, March 18 1:00 P.M. — 3:00 P.M.

Discover the sights and sounds announcing spring as you hike to the vernal pool. Listen for wood frogs, search for fairy shrimp and other surprises!

Donation: \$8 or \$28/ per family.

Pre-register by Friday March 16th.



EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

Sunday April 22

2:00 P.M. — 4:00 P.M.

Celebrate Earth and all its wonders. Learn what families can do to help our home planet.

Donation: \$8 or \$28/ per family.

Pre-register by Friday April 20th

ADULT Programs —



WOLF MOON HIKE

Saturday January 7

6:30 P.M. — 8:00 P.M.

Join us for a winter wandering under the light of the moon and possibly through the snow! Enjoy hot chocolate after the hike.

Donation: \$10

A WINTER DISCOVERY HIKE

Monday January 16 9:30 A.M. — 11:30 A.M.

Chickadees, deer tracks, fox or coyote scat, red squirrel middens, "55 mph" lichen and many surprises await the adventuresome on foot or snowshoes this holiday.

Donation: \$10

Pre registration
required for all programs.

ECOLOGICAL ECONOMICS:

OUR ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY — Part 1.

Wednesday, Jan 18 6:30 P.M — 8:00 P.M. or

Thursday, January 19 9:30 A.M. — 11:00 A.M.

Watch and discuss two engaging videos; the Story of Stuff and the Story of Broke by Annie Leonard. Compare conventional economics or ecological economics.

OUR ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY — Part 2.

Wednesday, January 25 6:30 — 8 p.m. or

Thursday, January 26 9:30 A.M. — 11 A.M.

View the Documentary: the Economics of Happiness which describes a world moving simultaneously in two opposing directions: globalization and localization.

Donation: \$10.00 per program or \$18 for both. Pre-register by Jan 16 and 23.

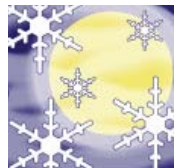
JUST BELOW THE SURFACE:

PERSPECTIVES ON THE GULF COAST OIL SPILL DISCUSSION

Thursday, February 2 6:00 P.M.— 8:00 P.M.

Just Below the Surface, a discussion book from Northwest Earth Institute, explores the connections between the gulf oil spill, energy policies and our lifestyles. How do we take responsibility as conscious consumers and concerned citizens?

Donation: \$16.00 includes the book or pdf. Please pre-register by Jan 23rd.



SNOW MOON HIKE

Friday, February 3

7:00 P.M. — 8:30 P.M.

Snowdate, Saturday, Feb. 4

Bundle up with boots (snowshoes) and enjoy a gibbous moon hike through

the (snowy) fields and woods. Reflect on "WHOOS" in the woods. Enjoy a hot drink after the hike.

Donation: \$10

POWERS OF THE UNIVERSE: THRESHOLD TO MYSTICISM

Saturday, February. 4 9:30 A.M. — 3:00 P.M.

Snowdate, Sunday, February 5

The Universe Story leads us back to the original mystical truth that all is one. Inspired by Judy Cannato, the presenters, Dorothy Landry and Norman Comtois, agree that: "The human being of the future will be a mystic or nothing at all." The day will include presentations, interactive exercises, and vibrant conversation.

Donation: \$30.00 Pre-register by January 31st.



DRUMMING TO WARM THE HEART AND SPIRIT

Friday February 10

7:00 P.M. — 9:30 P.M.

Join Dave Curry from Drums for One And All inside for an evening of creative musical energy includ-

ing drumming to a series of nature and Earth images.

Space is limited. Please call to register.

Donation: \$8

AWAKENING THE DREAMER, CHANGING THE DREAM SYPOSIUM

Saturday March 3 9 A.M. — 1:30 p.m.

This community building symposium is designed to bring forth an environmentally sustainable, spiritually fulfilling, and socially just human presence on Earth. Through an interactive, multimedia experience, participants move out of despair, confusion or denial and begin to envision new possibilities to respond to humanity's current situation with optimistic action.

Donation: \$20.00 Bring a lunch, drinks provided

Preregister by Feb 29. Space is limited.

EQUINOX HIKE TO A VERNAL POOL

Saturday, March 17, 10 – Noon

On a sunny mid March day, surprises abound: wood frogs calling, fairy shrimp swimming, deer tracks and more. Hike to discover nature's Equinox gifts.

Donation: \$10/ per person

For the Children —

THE BLACKSTONE RIVER AND ITS WILDLIFE

Thursday February 23

9:00 — 4:00 P.M.

Grade 1-3 Helpers grades 4-7

What animals and birds call the Blackstone River home? How do they make it through the winter? Do they stay or do they go?

Donation: \$50.00 per child Grades 1-3

Helpers: \$25.00 per child Grades 3-7 Helpers must apply to New Dawn to be considered. Pre-register and pre-pay by Tuesday February 21



A CELEBRATION OF EARTH

Wednesday April 18 9:00 A.M. — 4:00 P.M.

Grade 1-3 Helpers grades 4-7

Pre-register and pre-pay by Monday April 16th