

museum bulletin

Get Out!

—by Chris Hendershot

One of the main reasons I chose the field of environmental education was my upbringing on a dairy farm and my fascination with always learning something new. On any given day I would be out in our woods and fields!

In contrast, many students that I work with talk about organized, structured activities -- their sports team or dance class after school. Rarely do I hear them talk about building forts from tree branches or walking through fields chasing fireflies. It seems the days of spending an entire summer outside, only coming in at sunset are gone. Why?

Technology has changed our lives in many ways. With all of its advantages, it has major drawbacks as well. As a nature educator and parent, I am concerned that although technological advances may allow us more time; the time is filled with structured activities. Technology itself, in the form of media, distracts us for hours on end. Is this combination limiting time for unstructured activities in the natural world?

“Nature Deficit Disorder” is a term coined in Richard Louv’s book *Last Child in the Woods*. Louv believes that allowing children time to be outdoors has many physical and mental health benefits. It engages students in learning and has been shown to help with attention difficulties, hyperactivity, childhood obesity, and in general, disconnecting from things that are unreal. Nature is real; it is always changing and gives us something new to discover.

If the national average of media time (watching TV, listening to music, computer time, and playing video games) is over 7 hours a day for children 8-18, our children are most likely suffering from nature deficiency. Given these challenges, how can we help our children experience the joy of discovery found in the natural world?

The answer is simple – just open the door and walk out! Leave the smartphone inside or in your pocket and take a walk -- not a got-to-get-someplace walk, just a being-outside walk together. Children may need an adult to go with them yet give them leeway to explore -- touch the water, look under rocks, peek into holes in tree trunks, crawl on the forest floor and smell the earth, run through a field of flowers, pretend to be in another place or time!

Make the time and take the time; it is a huge investment in future generations of explorers who will love and take care of the environment. Go ahead – open the door and GET OUT!

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Wildlife Education Center

25 Boulevard, Cornwall-on-Hudson, NY
 Public hours: Fri. – Sun, 12pm – 4pm
 “Meet the Animals” Saturday & Sunday
 1pm & 2:30pm
 845.534.7781



Outdoor Discovery Center

120 Muser Drive, Cornwall, NY
 Across from 174 Angola Road
 Office hours: Mon. – Fri. 8:30am – 4pm
 Visitor Center & Grasshopper Grove:
 Weekends 10am – 4pm April 18 – Nov. 15
 Phone: 845.534.5506 x204
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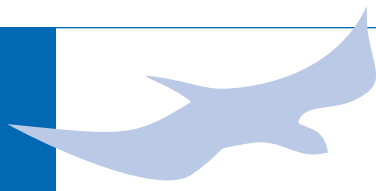
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from the SUSAN W. CHRISTENSEN Incoming Chair

For my first letter as Chair, I would like to reflect on the past ten years. In 2005, I joined the board of The Museum of the Hudson Highlands. The Board and Staff had just completed an extensive self-assessment, and debated “who are we and what do we want to be?” The Trustees adopted a strategic plan. Among other initiatives, this led to our “rebranding” as the Hudson Highlands Nature Museum, defining the mission for all to understand.

Another milestone was the completion – ahead of schedule – of the purchase of the Outdoor Discovery Center (Kenridge Farm) from Scenic Hudson and the building of Muser Drive, the new beautiful (and safe) entrance. Scenic Hudson’s proposal to accelerate the closing was a tribute to the Museum’s demonstrable accomplishments.

The Museum’s dedicated supporters founded the Acorn Society, our multi-year giving initiative whose members provide a solid financial foundation for our programs. In June, Joe and Susan Maloney hosted the Museum’s annual thank-you to the Acorn Society members at their beautiful home overlooking the Hudson.



Jackie Grant, Executive Director, Susan W. Christensen, Chair and Sue and Joe Maloney, hosts of the 2015 Acorn Society party

Hiking trails have been developed at the Outdoor Discovery Center. With the help of talented leaders and a small army of hard-laboring volunteers, the Museum opened its “Quest” trails at the Outdoor Discovery Center, and now - with even more volunteers - has nearly completed a connector trail to the trails in Black Rock Forest, which will put the Museum “on the map” of the NY-NJ Trail Conference.

The Museum repurposed space in the Farmhouse to accommodate a dramatic expansion of its Young Naturalist pre-school program. Building on the success of the Young Naturalist pre-school, the Museum brought closer to the students their favorite places on the trails, by creating Grasshopper Grove Nature Play Space for all our youngest stakeholders.

Under the leadership of Howard Protter, David Redden, and John Bliss, the Museum has grown and prospered. It has been recognized as the leading institution in the Hudson Valley introducing children to nature. In fact, the Museum has now received federal sponsorship for workshops to share with other pre-schools how to incorporate nature play and environmental awareness into their programs.

Most important, the Museum’s superb educators teach and inspire many thousands of children, adults, and families each and every year as they pursue the mission of creating stewards of the environment. They make me proud to be a Trustee of the Museum.

Spotlight KERRY KOPF on... staff



In September of 2001, Kerry Kopf joined the faculty of the Young Naturalist Preschool. As someone who prefers to be outside with nature, she embraced teaching young children in a hands-on environment incorporating nature and science. Over the last 14 years, Kerry has watched many Young Naturalists develop. She takes special delight seeing children who are apprehensive about the great outdoors begin to love nature and before long feel that they would rather be outside!

Weekend Programs

JOIN US FOR A SERIES OF INTERACTIVE AND ENGAGING PROGRAMS ABOUT SCIENCE AND NATURE. PROGRAMS MAY INCLUDE A PRESENTATION, OUTDOOR EXPLORATION ON OUR TRAILS AND GROUNDS, AND A VARIETY OF OTHER ACTIVITIES.

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED ALL PROGRAMS BEGIN AT 10AM AT THE OUTDOOR DISCOVERY CENTER AND SUGGESTED FOR ADULTS AND FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN AGES FIVE AND UP.

ADMISSION: \$7 ADULTS, \$5 CHILDREN -- MEMBERS: \$5 ADULTS, \$3 CHILDREN



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12: GEOLOGY HIKE

Learn about more than a billion years of New York State history. After a brief overview of the fascinating geology of our region, take a 2 mile guided hike to visit the site of a 19th century magnetite mine.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13: NATURALIST WALK & TALK



Join a Museum Educator for a fun, engaging walk and talk on our trails. Topics will be seasonal and focus on "What are we seeing now?" in the great outdoors. Check our Facebook page or hnm.org one week prior to the program.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27: THE WONDERFUL WOOLLY BEAR

Woolly Bear caterpillars are curious, legendary creatures. What do they turn into? Can they really predict the weather? Learn all about them, help release our caterpillars back to the field, and make a Woolly Bear craft!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4: BEAVERS

Learn more about these large herbivores that are second only to humans in their ability to manipulate their environment. Then take a hike to the pond to look for evidence of beaver chewed wood.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11: NATURALIST WALK & TALK



Join a Museum Educator for a fun, engaging walk and talk on our trails. Topics will be seasonal and focus on "What are we seeing now?" in the great outdoors. Check our Facebook page or hnm.org one week prior to the program.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25: OWLS WILDLIFE EDUCATION CENTER



Learn about these nocturnal raptors and their fascinating natural history. Meet a live owl from the Museum's collection!



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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14: COYOTES

Learn about coyotes, the "barking dog" in our backyards. We will share their natural history and how they are being studied in the wild. Take a guided walk on our trails after the presentation to look for their signs up close.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21: NATURALIST WALK & TALK



Join a Museum Educator for a fun, engaging walk and talk on our trails. Topics will be seasonal and focus on "What are we seeing now?" in the great outdoors. Check our Facebook page or hnm.org one week prior to the program.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22: TURKEY TALES



WILDLIFE EDUCATION CENTER
Did you know that the turkey was once nominated to become our National Symbol? Learn about the turkey's natural history, interesting adaptations, and make a turkey craft!

GRASSHOPPER GROVE EVENTS!

Join us at 10am for fun and creative monthly play programs in Grasshopper Grove, our nature play space. Programs included with regular admission of \$3. Members: Free

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5: GRASSHOPPER GROVE – OUTDOOR ART

Decorate the Grove with natural art

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3: GRASSHOPPER GROVE – FALL SCAVENGER HUNT

Discover nature's signs of the Fall season!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15: GRASSHOPPER GROVE CLOSING DAY

Grasshopper Grove will be closing for the winter but there is still time for one last celebration! Join us for play time, meet an animal, and enjoy a special snack.

OFF SITE PROGRAMS

STORM KING ART CENTER, NEW WINDSOR, NY

Sundays at 1pm
September 6 – Art and Nature
October 18 - Birds

FAHNESTOCK STATE PARK HUBBARD LODGE, COLD SPRING, NY

Sundays at 2pm
September 27- Woolly Bear Caterpillars
October 11- Snakes
November 8 – Black Bear

BEACON INSTITUTE, BEACON, NY

Saturdays at 10am
October 17 – Owls
November 14 – Reptiles

FAMILY FUN EVERY WEEKEND

AT THE OUTDOOR DISCOVERY CENTER

April 18 - Nov. 15
Weekends 10am – 4pm

- Play in Grasshopper Grove.
- Admission: \$3 – Members: Free
- Hike the Trails Free. Use a Trail Quest Guidebook and learn about nature and history in a fun interactive way! Enjoyable for ages 5 to adult. Trail Quest Guidebooks \$5



AT THE WILDLIFE EDUCATION CENTER

Friday, Saturday and Sunday
12pm – 4pm

Live animals exhibits with "Meet the Animal" programs Saturday and Sunday 1pm & 2:30pm

Interactive exhibit: "Marvelous Moths!"



Special Events



FAMILY CAMP OUT

OUTDOOR DISCOVERY CENTER
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18: 6:30 PM TO
SATURDAY 8 AM

RAIN DATE SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 19

Bring the family, your tent, and sleeping bags for a fun night around the campfire and under the stars. Begin your overnight adventure by setting up your campsite. Haven't pitched a tent before? Camping veterans will be on hand to help! As the sun goes down, join us for fun evening activities and s'mores around the campfire. A light breakfast snack and coffee will be provided on Saturday morning as we break camp.

Admission:

\$20 per person, \$12 children ages 2-4

Members:

\$17 per person, \$8 children ages 2-4

Pre-paid registration is required to reserve your campsite; go to hnm.org or call 845-534-5506 x204



3RD ANNUAL POETRY TRAIL OPENING

OUTDOOR DISCOVERY CENTER
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20: 4-6PM

Once again the Hudson Highlands Nature Museum is pleased to partner with the Hudson Highlands Land Trust to present the "River of Words" Poetry Trail.

Experience a series of unique, temporary installations celebrating the nature-inspired poetry of local students as you walk along our red trail.

ORIENTEERING MEET - CO-SPONSORED BY HUDSON VALLEY ORIENTEERING

OUTDOOR DISCOVERY CENTER
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26
11AM-1PM TRAILS OPEN FOR
ORIENTEERING - BEGINNERS
INSTRUCTION STARTS AT 10AM

Orienteering is an exciting, fun sport that using "map and compass" to navigate through a course of checkpoints. There will be 3 courses at 3 levels of difficulty open from 11am - 1pm. Beginner instruction will be ongoing from 10:30 - 12:30.

Individual Adult:

member \$5; nonmember \$10

Individual Junior (18 and under):

member \$4; nonmember \$5

Family Maximum: members \$10; nonmembers \$20

Groups of Two:

members \$7; nonmembers \$12; each additional person age 8 and above \$2 regardless of membership

STORY WALK OPENING DAY

WILDLIFE EDUCATION CENTER
PRESENTED IN PARTNERSHIP
WITH THE CORNWALL PUBLIC
LIBRARY AND THE GRAIL

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10: 12PM TO 4PM

The Secret Life of the Woolly Bear Caterpillar, Written By Laurence Pringle
Read your way along the trail! Enjoy beautiful illustrations and nature references as you uncover the secret life of the woolly bear caterpillar, following one caterpillar as she feasts, tiny and hidden, in the tall summer grass; molts and grows; then sets off on the fall journey where she's most likely to be seen!

- Meet the author, Laurence Pringle
- 1pm and 2:30pm - learn about woolly bears
- 1:30pm and 3pm - guided walk along our Story Walk Trail
- Crafts and snacks for the kids throughout the afternoon
- Story Walk included with regular admission of \$3 for ages 3 and up, Members: Free



"I SPY" HALLOWEEN TRAIL

OUTDOOR DISCOVERY CENTER
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31 & SUNDAY,
NOVEMBER 1: 11AM TO 3PM - DROP IN
AT ANY TIME TO START THE TRAIL.

Let's have some spook-tacular family fun! Can you find all of the objects cleverly hidden along the "I Spy" Trail? Which ones belong in nature and which ones do not? Sharpen your observation skills as you search for animal artifacts such as bones and skulls! Find them all and earn a prize! Then visit snakes and spiders in the "Creepy Crawler" room and make a Halloween craft or two!

Admission:

\$7 ages 2-14, Free for ages 15 and above.

Members:

\$5 ages 2-14, Free for ages 15 and above.



HUDSON HIGHLANDS NATURE MUSEUM CRIES "WOLF!"

WILDLIFE EDUCATION CENTER
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21: 5 PM

The Museum welcomes the Wolf Conservation Center (WCC) of South Salem, NY and their ambassador Arctic gray wolf, Atka. The program includes an awe-inspiring, up-close encounter with this important but misunderstood predator. Learn about the history of wolves in the United States, the importance of wolves in a healthy ecosystem, and the efforts to save these magnificent creatures for future generations. *(continued next column)*



Special Events

Program is suitable for age 8 and above.
Admission: \$30 adults, \$26 ages 8-17
Members: \$22 adults, \$18 ages 8-17
Pre-paid registration is required.
Register at hnm.org or call
845.534.5506 x204.

BARNES & NOBLE BOOK FAIR

NOVEMBER 22-27: SHOP AT ANY BARNES & NOBLE OR ONLINE AND BENEFIT THE MUSEUM

Do your holiday shopping in a store or online using a Museum Book Fair voucher and a percentage of your purchase will be donated to the Museum!

BONUS! SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22: 10AM-4PM AT BARNES & NOBLE, 1245 ROUTE 300, NEWBURGH

Live Animal Presentations! Museum educators will be in the children's section with live animals. Your children will enjoy the presentation while you shop!

THANKSGIVING WEEKEND

WILDLIFE EDUCATION CENTER

FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 28 & 29: 12-4PM

Bring the family for post-holiday fun! Visit with our live animals and enjoy fun crafts for kids.

"Meet the Animals" presentations at 1pm and 2:30pm

Included with regular admission of \$3 for ages 3 and up, Members: Free
[Sponsor an Animal at the Wildlife Education Center](#)

Are you seeking a unique and wonderful holiday gift? Sponsor an animal on Thanksgiving Weekend (or anytime)! With animal sponsorship, the sponsor gains a special friend and supports its care at the Museum. Sponsors receive a personalized certificate with a photo of their new special friend suitable for framing. Sponsorships begin at \$25. For full details visit our website hnm.org and click under "Wildlife."



Evening Speakers Series

Tuesdays at 7:30 pm

The Cornwall Presbyterian Fellowship Hall
222 Hudson Street, Cornwall-on-Hudson

Admission: \$7, Members \$5 Refreshments available.

Tuesday, October 27

Fort Constitution and the Hudson Highlands in 1775

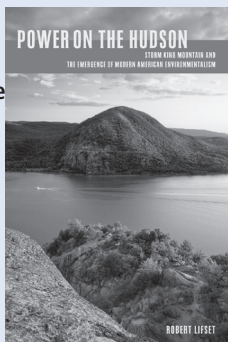
Dr. Colonel James M. Johnson, U.S. Army, Retired will speak about the Hudson Highlands during the American Revolution in 1775, 240 years ago. He will focus on the construction of Fort Constitution on present-day Constitution Island and its ties to the later Fortress West Point. Dr. Johnson is the Dr. Frank T. Bumpus Chair in Hudson River Valley History and the Executive Director of the Hudson River Valley Institute at Marist College and the Military Historian of the Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area. He taught for fifteen years in the Department of History at West Point, heading the military history program in his second tour, and at Marist college since 2000. Dr. Johnson is an expert on the War for Independence in the Hudson River Valley and the author of numerous scholarly and popular essays and articles on this subject.

Tuesday, November 3

A History of the Fight for Storm King

In 1962 Consolidated Edison of New York announced plans to build a pumped-storage hydro-electric plant at Storm King Mountain. An environmental opposition emerged and fought the plant until Con Ed abandoned its plans in 1980. Robert Lifset will share the story of that

struggle, how and why it unfolded as it did, and why it matters. Mr. Lifset is the Donald Keith Jones Associate Professor of Honors and History at the University of Oklahoma. He is the author of *Power on the Hudson: Storm King Mountain and the Emergence of Modern American Environmentalism* and the editor of *American Energy Policy* in the 1970s.



Tuesday, November 10

Domesticating the Wilderness: 19th Century Artists, Tourists, and Mountain Houses in the Hudson Valley

Thomas Cole and other artists of the Hudson River School painted the hills, crags, valleys, lakes, and forests of the Hudson River Valley in their search for the sublime and picturesque associated with the American wilderness. Mountain houses arose as tourists followed the artists to experience nature. This lecture by Dr. Harvey K. Flad, professor emeritus of Geography at Vassar College, considers the role of the artists in establishing the Hudson Valley region where the natural and cultural landscapes intersected to forge American culture. In the Catskills and surrounding areas, mountain houses were built for the emergent tourism. Mohonk Mountain House, located in the Shawangunks, remains as symbolic of the era.

Tuesday, November 17

The History & Meaning of Kosciuszko's Garden at West Point (1779-2015)

Kosciuszko's Garden is one of the oldest continuously existing gardens in the United States. Colonel (later General) Thaddeus Kosciuszko, the Polish engineer, designed, engineered and oversaw the construction of the original fortifications at West Point while serving in the Continental Army. During his time at West Point (1778-1780), Kosciuszko built a garden with his own hands terraced on the side of a cliff overlooking the Hudson River for the purpose of "rest and repose." Learn about this garden from Dr. Betsey Blakeslee, president of the Friends of the American Revolution at West Point, an organization dedicated to the preservation of the vast Revolutionary fortification system built under the command of General Washington.

This program is funded, in part, by the New York Council for the Humanities



Adult Programs & Adventures

HISTORIC HIKING IN THE HUDSON HIGHLANDS INSPIRED BY WILLIAM THOMPSON HOWELL

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19: 9AM

What were the Hudson Highlands like in the early 1900's? Join us for a hike that focuses on the history of the Hudson Highlands guided by Richard and William Vacek, dedicated hiking brothers with a passion for history. Their guide to the past is William Thompson Howell, a serious hiker who lived 100 years ago and wrote about and photographed the Highlands. Mr. Howell was instrumental in the movement to preserve the Highlands as public space. The hike will give you a glimpse into the past with stories drawn from Howell's writings about the mountains, the forests, the river, and the "mountain people" he befriended. This moderate hike on a portion of the Howell Trail includes the river views near the Pitching Point and the Old River Cemetery. Complete directions to the meeting spot will be emailed during the week prior to the event.

ADMISSION \$7 MEMBERS: \$5
PRE-PAID REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. REGISTER AT HHNM.ORG OR CALL 845.534.5506 X204.

IONA ISLAND HIKE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3: 9AM-12 OR 1PM

Join us for a special opportunity to enter and hike Iona Island with Donald "Doc" Bayne, a regionally recognized naturalist, educator, and historian. Learn all about this nature preserve that includes evidence of Native Americans Colonial life, and a rich military history. Today it supports wildlife including the majestic Bald Eagle. Wear proper footwear, bring lunch, and water. Meet at the Iona Island parking area. Full directions will be emailed during the week prior to the event.

ADMISSION: \$7 MEMBERS: \$5
PRE-PAID REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. REGISTER AT HHNM.ORG OR CALL 845.534.5506 X204.

VIEW A NEW "CONSTELLATION" ON A RIVER CRUISE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16: 5:30PM

"Constellation" - the Hudson Highlands' new, celebrated art installation above Bannerman Island is best witnessed from the Hudson River in the company of the artist, Melissa McGill. This tour aboard the Estuary Steward will include a guided visit to Bannerman Island after which we will join Ms. McGill on deck to observe the "stars" that form "Constellation". "Constellation" which was inspired by the Hudson Highlands State Park's magnificent landscape, is formed by a series of 17 small lights on slender aluminum poles installed at different heights on the island that magically appear in the night sky after dusk. Full directions will be emailed during the week prior to the event. Plan to arrive at 5pm for a 5:30 departure. Tour returns at approximately 7:45pm.

ADMISSION: \$45 MEMBERS: \$40
PRE-PAID REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. REGISTER AT HHNM.ORG OR CALL 845.534.5506 X204.

BIRDING AND BREAKFAST WITH THE BAKERS

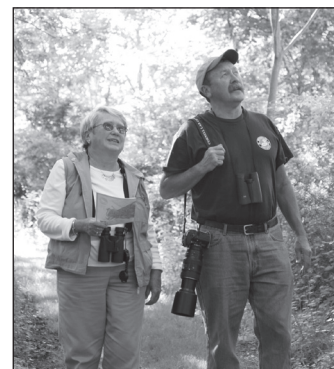
OUTDOOR DISCOVERY CENTER

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17: 8:30AM



The Outdoor Discovery Center has a spectacular variety of birds. Learn the basics of this engaging hobby from avid birding enthusiasts Sharon and David Baker. Join us for a birding presentation highlighted by David's fantastic photography. Then venture out in search of some of the more than 50 species that have been sited on the Museum's property. Prior to the hike, enjoy a hot or cold beverage and a donut. Bring Binoculars!

ADMISSION: \$7 MEMBERS: \$5



CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH AT THE POWELTON CLUB IN NEWBURGH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8: 12 NOON
Save the date for our annual Champagne Brunch and Silent Auction. This year the Museum is honoring the Sidamon-Eristoff family as a "First Family for the Environment in the Hudson Valley."

FOR INFORMATION, CALL 845.534.5506 X212

FOR SCOUTS



SCOUT BADGE WORKSHOPS

OUTDOOR DISCOVERY CENTER

Cub Scouts - maximum 24 Scouts per session;
Girl Scouts - maximum 50 Scouts per session.
Bring your troop or den for a 2 hour afternoon of learning and fun. Each Scout receives a Museum patch and Certificate of Completion for badges or awards earned. Dress for hiking on our trails and the weather. A \$50 deposit will hold your reservation. Payment in full is due 2 weeks prior to event. Register online at hhnm.org or call 845.534.5506 x211.
Scouts: \$15; Adult Leaders: Free. No refunds for no-shows day of workshop.

CUB SCOUT WORKSHOPS - 1:45PM

Saturday, October 3
Tiger- Backyard Jungle
Saturday, October 17
Wolf - Paws on the Path
Sunday, October 25
Bear - Furs, Feathers, and Ferns
Saturday, November 14
Webelo - Walkabout

GIRL SCOUT WORKSHOPS - 1:45PM

Sunday, October 4
Daisy - Earth and Sky
Saturday, October 24
Brownie - Wonders of Water
Sunday, November 15
Junior - Get Moving
Sunday, November 22
Cadette - Breathe

Nature Strollers

OUTDOOR DISCOVERY CENTER
SIGN IN AT THE VISITORS CENTER



WEDNESDAYS: SEPTEMBER 16 -
NOVEMBER 4: 9:30AM

A hiking group for families with babies, toddlers, and young children. Join a Museum Educator on our gentle trails for a one-hour hike with the tykes. Learn techniques for introducing your child to the natural world.

Admission: \$5 per family Members: Free
If weather is questionable, call
845.534.5506 x204.

Grasshopper Grove Clubs



SEPTEMBER 21-NOVEMBER 13:
MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS
NO CLUBS ON SEPT 23, OCTOBER 12
& NOVEMBER 11

Lunch Club: 11:30am-1:30pm
After-School Club: 3-5pm

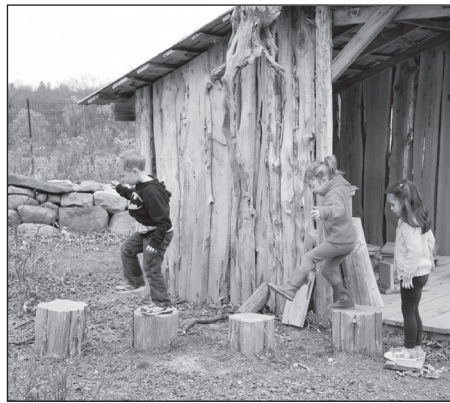
The Museum will once again offer our popular Grasshopper Grove program for 4 and 5 year olds. Extend your child's outdoor playtime for up to three days a week. Playing outdoors is a wonderful way to develop coordination, practice cooperation, and connect to the environment. Plus, the extended hours

Just for Kids!

help children prepare for the full days of kindergarten. If inclement weather brings children inside, the focus is still on learning and playing with natural elements.

Pre-register online at hhn.org by September 19th and receive substantial discounts if you register for all eight weeks, one, two or three days.

Register by 9am for same day "drop-in" (subject to space availability):
Members \$16; Nonmembers \$20.



Animals & Nature Together

...ANTS!



WILDLIFE EDUCATION CENTER

Parents, grandparents, and caregivers - bring your child ages 2*-4, to learn about animals and nature together. Each carefully structured program in the series focuses on one of the Museum's live animals and includes a craft, song, story and outdoor walk. It is a great way to prepare your child for preschool!

8-WEEK SESSIONS

Tuesdays, September 15–November 3 (Snow date, November 10)
9:30–10:30am (ages 2*-4)
Fridays, September 18–November 6 (Snow date, November 13)
9:30–10:30am (ages 2*-3)
11:00–12:00am (ages 4-5)

OUTDOOR DISCOVERY CENTER

Saturdays: September 19–
November 7 (Snow date, November 14)
10:00–11:00am (ages 2* - 4)

Members: \$95 per Adult/Child Pair;
Nonmembers: \$120 per Adult/Child Pair
Pre-paid registration is required. Register at hhn.org or call 845.534.5506 x204.

*Child MUST be 2 years of age to enroll.
Kindly make other arrangements for siblings over 9 months.

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

FORESTS, FORTS AND FUN - FOR GRADES K-2



OUTDOOR DISCOVERY CENTER MONDAYS, SEPTEMBER 28–NOVEMBER 2
(NO PROGRAM OCTOBER 12); 3:45–5PM

Head out off the beaten path to destinations of discovery! Make a home of your own in the woods as we build forts, play in the forest, and have FUN!

Members: \$60; Nonmembers: \$75

Pre-paid registration is required. Register at hhn.org or call 845.534.5506 x204.

FALL FISHING - FOR GRADES 3-5



OUTDOOR DISCOVERY CENTER

TUESDAYS: SEPTEMBER 29–OCTOBER 27; 3:45–5PM

Every kid should know how to fish! Join Carl Heitmuller to learn safe rod and reel casting techniques and how to use the rubber worm, spinner, Hula Popper, Jitterbug, and more. Experiencing the thrill of how to land the "big one" can lead to a life time of fun! Some rods available for use. Space limited.

Members: \$60; Nonmembers: \$75

Pre-paid registration is required. Register at hhn.org or call 845.534.5506 x204.



SCHOOL BREAK MINI-CAMP - FOR AGES 6-9



OUTDOOR DISCOVERY CENTER DECEMBER 28, 29, 30, 31ST; 9AM-3PM

Sign up for one, two, three or all four full days! Meet a different live animal each day and learn how animals survive the cold. Enjoy engaging hands-on activities, crafts, games, and hikes.

Members: \$42.00 per day; Nonmembers: \$48.00 per day

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**HHNM Holiday Social at
Newburgh Brewery
Sunday December 6th
1-5pm
Kids holiday activities**



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CONNECT KIDS WITH NATURE FOR GENERATIONS!

Generations for Nature is the Museum's Planned Giving Circle. It is made up of friends who have named the Museum in their estate plans. Their gifts take many forms but they have one thing in common: their generosity will enable the Museum to fulfill its mission far into the future. Our gratitude goes out to this list of founding members of Generations for Nature:

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To join or to learn more, contact the Museum's Executive Director, Jackie Grant at 845. 534. 5506, x203, or jgrant@hnm.org.

The Mission of the Museum is to create responsible caretakers of our environment. Through quality educational programs for the public that focus on the unique ecology of the Hudson Valley, the Museum promotes knowledge and appreciation of our natural world and the dynamic role of human interaction in its well-being.

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Wildlife Education Center

25 Boulevard, Cornwall-on-Hudson
845.534.7781

Open year round:

Friday – Sunday from 12 - 4

Admission: \$3.00 for ages 3 & up.

Members free.

- Live Animals · Interactive Exhibits
- Short family-friendly trails
- "Meet the Animals" at 1pm & 2:30pm every Saturday and Sunday

Outdoor Discovery Center

120 Muser Drive (entrance across from 174 Angola Rd.) Cornwall, NY
845.534.5506 x204

Open mid-April to mid-Nov.

Weekends from 10am-4pm

- Trails: Free, Quest Guidebooks \$5
- Grasshopper Grove: Admission \$3, Members – Free

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