

# WINTER/SPRING/2015

# museum bulletin

# Marvelous Moths

"Visit the fascinating, beautiful and elusive world of Moths"



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120 Muser Drive, Across from 174 Angola Rd. Cornwall, NY Office hours: Mon. – Fri. 8:30am – 4pm Visitor Center Hours: Weekends 10am – 4pm April 18 – Nov. 15 Phone: 845-534-5506 x204 www.hhnm.org Butterflies, with their vibrant colors and delicate wing beats, bring to mind lazy summer days, fields of flowers and warm sunshine. Their poor second cousins, the moths, conjure up images of drab brown insects flitting around the back porch light or

clinging to the screen door. Yet upon closer observation, moths are beautiful creatures, too. They come in a variety of colors, shapes, sizes and patterns, and many are masters of camouflage. Moths also play an extremely important role in the food chain.

Butterflies, skippers and moths belong to the insect order Lepidoptera. Moths make up over 80 percent of this order. The word Lepidoptera means "scale winged," a reference to the microscopic hair-like scales on the wings. The life cycle of Lepidoptera consists of four stages: egg, larvae, pupa, and adult. In the pupal stage moths spin a silky cocoon while butterflies make a hard smooth chrysalis.

Distinguishing moths from butterflies can be tricky, but here are a few things to look for: Butterflies tend to fold their wings vertically over their backs, and moth wings remain flat when the insect is perched. Most moths have feathery antennae, thick hairy bodies and come out at night. Butterflies have clubbed antennae, slimmer bodies, and are seen during the day. Plants that bloom at night rely on moths and bats for pollination.

Moths are an important food source for many animals. From egg to adult, each life stage provides a high protein meal for a wide variety of animals. They are a huge food source for bats, birds, mice, toads, frogs, chipmunks, owls, spiders, and bear. In Yellowstone National Park, research scientists estimate that black and grizzly bears eat up to 40,000 miller moths a day in the late summer. The bears rely on this fatty food source to help make it through the winter.

In 2015 we will open a new exhibit at the Wildlife Education Center entitled *Marvelous Moths!* This gorgeous exhibit will take you through the fascinating, beautiful and elusive world of moths.

-by Lisa Mechaley

Join us for the Grand Opening of "Marvelous Moths!" on January 31 and February 1 at the Wildlife Education Center (see page 6 for information).

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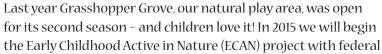
# **JACKIE GRANT Executive Direct**

Dear Members and Friends,

Looking back and looking ahead - it's an exciting time at the Nature Museum!

Last January we started the first of our science and math workshops with the middle school girls from the Nora Cronin Presentation Academy in Newburgh. What a remarkable impact these programs and our staff have had over the year. We are grateful to the guests at our Champagne Brunch for allowing us to look forward in 2015 to workshops with the girls on energy, winter survival, geology, Native Americans, metamorphosis and more!

We look back with nostalgia on the "Mastodons: Ice Age to Discovery" exhibit because Orange County is the home of more mastodon fossils than any other place in the world! Now we look forward to the exhibit "Marvelous Moths!" based on four photographic moth prints recently exhibited at the American Museum of Natural History. They come to us from Canadian artist Jim des Rivières who says: "My aim is to bring moths out into good light and magnify them so that we can all see them. Visitors will be astonished at how exquisite moths truly are."





Girls from the Nora Cronin Academy record their pond study findings (above) and try out binoculars (below).



funding. The project is our response to research showing: 1) children are happier, healthier and smarter when they can connect with nature frequently, 2) childhood nature play contributes to an environmental ethic that values the natural world, and 3) nature play is fading from childhood. Our goal is to promote the value of frequent unstructured play in natural settings. Please join us!

We thank you all for supporting the Museum in the past and sincerely look forward to your participation and good will in 2015.

# **Spotlig** PAM GOIBEN



**OGeorge Potanovic Jr.** 

Pam Golben first came to the Hudson Highlands Nature Museum as a school chaperone and fell in love with the Museum. When an environmental education position opened up in 2001, Pam joined the staff and went on to become the Wildlife Education Director. Pam has a degree in environmental science and over 30 years animal caretaking experience; first as a veterinarian's technician and wildlife rehabilitator and then caring for the Museum's animal collection. Pam says, "It is very rewarding to help people develop a better understanding of our native wildlife through programs, exhibits and just being there to answer wildlife questions."

# Weekend Programs

JOIN MUSEUM EDUCATORS FOR A SERIES OF INTERACTIVE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS. LEARN NEW THINGS! HIKE THE TRAILS! FOR ADULTS WITH OR WITHOUT CHILDREN AGES FIVE AND UP UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

ALL PROGRAMS BEGIN AT 10AM AT THE OUTDOOR DISCOVERY CENTER EXCEPT AS NOTED.

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



## SATURDAY, JANUARY 3: BACKYARD BIRDS

Attract colorful birds during grey winter days. Learn what seeds to use and how to identify your feathered visitors.

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 4: BEAR NECESSITIES**

Black Bear have been expanding their range for the last 20 years, and are frequently seen in our area. Learn fascinating facts about this curious and intelligent mammal.

#### **SATURDAY, JANUARY 10: WOODPECKERS**

Let us introduce you to these colorful birds and their amazing adaptations. This presentation will teach you to identify different woodpecker species by appearance and vocalizations as well as how to attract them to your yard. Mix up a batch of woodpecker food to take home.

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 11: OUTDOOR SURVIVAL

What would it be like to survive the winter without central heating, all-wheel drive cars, and grocery stores? Take a winter hike to find a suitable campsite, and build a shelter. Learn how Native Americans started fires with a bow, and how animals survive in winter.

#### **SATURDAY, JANUARY 17: BIG CATS**

The magnificent bobcat is thriving in New York State, yet it is seldom seen. Join us to learn the natural history of bobcats and mountain lions and how to distinguish between the two cat species.

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 24: SQUIRRELS... THOSE NUTS OF THE FOREST

Learn about the nutty squirrel family. View a slide show of their antics, and explore squirrel habitat on a hike. For \$5.00 extra take home a Squirrel feeder kit.

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 25: BLUEBIRD HOUSES

Welcome spring with the return of the Eastern Bluebird. Learn about their decline in the 20th century and their resurgence in the last decade. Make a bluebird box to take home. Prepaid registration and bluebird house prepaid order required. Boxes are \$25 each.











# SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7: SNOW HOW After a short power point on the science and artistry of ice crystals, look at ice crystals under magnification, and take a hike to look at snow and ice.

# SATURDAY, MARCH 7: OUR AWESOME OPPOSUM (Program takes place at the Wildlife Education Center)

Opossums are not related to rodents, they are actually ancient marsupials with fascinating adaptations! Learn about them through our slide show and artifacts. Then observe our resident opossum enjoy a morning snack and make a 'possum pouch to take home.

SATURDAY, APRIL 11: GARDENING FOR BUTTERFLIES AND THEIR CATERPILLARS (recommended for age 10 and older)
Join Wildlife Education Director, Pam Golben, for a program designed to help preserve these beloved insects whose habitats are disappearing all too quickly. By providing nectar plants for adult butterflies and host plants for the caterpillars, Butterfly Gardening can help increase the butterfly population. Take home a free caterpillar host plant for your yard.

## SATURDAY, APRIL 18: OPENING DAY OF GRASSHOPPER GROVE

Grasshopper Grove, the Museum's Nature Play Area, opens for the season! Join us for playtime and a scavenger hunt in the Grove. Admission free for members, \$3 for non-members.

#### **SUNDAY, APRIL 19: SALAMANDERS**

As winter fades, these fascinating, seldom seen creatures emerge from hibernation and return to their vernal pools. Do you know which species is the most common, Red backed, Yellow spotted or Marbled? Come find the answers as you learn about salamanders. Then take a guided walk in search of these spring time residents.

# PROGRAMS AT HUBBARD LODGE 2pm

Sunday, April 19: Salamanders Sunday, May 31: Owls Sunday, June 7: Outdoor Survival

PROGRAMS AT MUSEUM VILLAGE 2pm

**Sunday, April 12: Salamanders** 

# Evening Speakers Tuesdays at 7:30 pm The Cornwall Presbyterian Fellowship Ha 222 Hudson Street, Cornwall-on-Hudson Admission: \$7, Members \$5 Refreshments will be available

The Cornwall Presbyterian Fellowship Hall Refreshments will be available.

#### **February 3**

#### Nature Education in Harriman: A Rich History

Regional Nature Museums have been providing nature education to campers and the general public in Harriman State Park for 95 years. Of the 101 years of camping. Join Outdoor/Environmental Education Consultant, and Coordinator Regional Museums at Harriman State Park, MaryLynne Malone for a discussion of the rich history of the Park; its camps, programs, and Nature Museums.

#### **February 10**

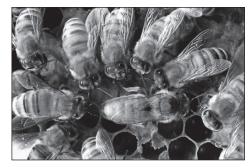
#### **Constitution Island**

Located near the deepest section of the Hudson River across from West Point, Constitution Island is an important site of the American Revolution. Later in history it served as the home of two prominent female writers, sisters Susan and Anna Warner. Hear the remarkable story of their writings, triumph over adversity, legacy and how the island became their unlikely home. Ronnie Coffey, former Executive Director of the Constitution Island Association, will present an illustrated talk based on her book, Constitution Island.

#### **February 17**

#### Lessons from the Honeybee

As concerns over the health of the honeybee mount, many of us have questions surrounding the topic. Join local beekeeper, Colin Coyne, as he discusses factors leading to the problems as well as how we can all contribute to a solution. Colin is an advocate for the honeybee and enjoys discussing this topic wherever he goes, including the Storm King Art Center where he gives presentations on the honeybee.



#### **February 24**

#### The Ice Harvesting Industry

Ice! The Hudson Valley was once the world's epicenter of the natural ice industry. Spring fed lakes supplied ice to the finest NYC hotels and luxurious ocean liners, and it was prized across Europe, Asia and Australia. **Timothy Englert, former Development Executive for the Palisades Interstate** Park Commission, and co-founder of the Knickerbocker Ice Festival in 2007, will share photos, tools, maps, illustrations, and rare Thomas Edison films of the 1902 harvest at Rockland Lake.



#### (March 3 - Possible Snow Date)

If the weather is questionable, please call 845-534-5506 after 5pm to listen to the recorded message.



## For Adults

TO REGISTER ONLINE VISIT HHNM. ORG OR CALL 845.534.5506 X204

#### **GETTING STARTED WITH BACKYARD POULTRY**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 10** 

**1PM-3PM** 

Join Rachel Moody of the Cornell Cooperative Extension for this introduction to keeping a backyard flock of chickens. Chickens are fun and entertaining. They help control ticks, and produce fertilizer for your garden. Topics covered:

- Coop requirements
- Chicken breeds and how to obtain chicks
- Feeding and general care
- Local and State regulations

For adults (interested children over 6 welcome) **Outdoor Discovery Center** Members \$20, children 7-16 \$10 Non-Members \$25, children 7-16 \$12 Prepaid registration required. No walk-ins admitted.

#### **INTRODUCTION TO BEEKEEPING**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 18** 10AM-2PM (BRING A BAG LUNCH)



To Bee or Not to Bee? Learn how to get started with this fascinating and rewarding hobby led by Beekeeper, Darren Fogarty. Learn the basic principles of beekeeping including:

- Basic bee biology
- The dynamics of a honey bee hive
- What you need to get started
- Where to purchase your equipment and bees

**Outdoor Discovery Center** Members \$35, Non-members \$45 Prepaid registration required. No walk-ins admitted.

#### **HIKE UP STORM KING MOUNTAIN** SATURDAY, APRIL 11 12PM-4PM

Join us for a rigorous climb up Storm King Mountain. Learn about the history of Storm King and enjoy extraordinary views of the Hudson. Wear sturdy shoes and dress in layers for the unpredictable early spring weather. We will meet at Trailhead off Route 218. Complete directions will be emailed.

Members \$5 Non-members \$7. Prepaid registration required.

# It's MAPLE SUGARING season!

At the Outdoor Discovery Center Saturdays and Sundays February 28, March 1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22 10:30am - 3pm

10am tours available by pre-paid reservation only for groups of 12 or larger.

Museum members: \$7 adults, \$4 children ages 3-11

Non-members: \$10 adults, \$7 children

Call 845.534.5506 x204 for information

During the maple sugar season there is either mud or wet snow, so be sure to wear boots and dress warmly!

Tour our sugar bush and learn about Maple Sugaring in New York State now and in the past. The tours start every half hour and each tour is a 60-minute walk through the forest stopping at various locations to learn all about making maple syrup.

- Return to the farmhouse for a taste test challenge: Can you tell the difference between maple-flavored pancake syrup and the real thing?
- Maple products and hot chocolate available for purchase in our Visitors Center gift shop.

# Special Event! Opening Day Fun Saturday, February 28

Get your tour ticket first, then join us for ...

- · Special crafts, games, and Native American story telling around the camp fire
- · Enjoy treats of the sweet season
- · Learn some fun recipes for Maple Syrup





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# **Attention Scouts!**

BOOK EARLY\_ THESE EVENTS SELL OUT FAST!

"Scouts Only" Maple Sugar Tours –
February 21 & 22. Just \$7 per person, scouts and adults!
Go to hhnm.org for complete details and call us to book your tour at 845.534.5506 x211



## **Spring Scout Badge Workshops!**

Bring your troop, den or pack for an exciting day of learning and fun on the trails as they earn requirements for awards and badges. At the Outdoor Discovery Center, 11:45am– 4pm, \$15 per scout, adults FREE. Register online at hhnm.org with a \$50 deposit or call Tuesday-Friday 8am-4pm to make a reservation at 845.534.5506 x211.



#### **FOR CUB SCOUTS**

Saturday, April 11 "Science"

Sunday, May 3 – Webelo "Forester"

Saturday, May 16 – Webelo "Naturalist" Badge

Sunday, May 17 – "Wildlife Conservation"

#### **FOR GIRL SCOUTS**

Sunday, April 12 – Brownies "Letterbox"

Saturday, April 18 – Girl Scout "Jr. Detective"

Saturday May 2 – Brownie "Bugs"

Saturday, May 30 –Daisy
"Green Petal" ends at 2:30pm

# **Special Events for Families**

# EXHIBIT GRAND OPENING MARVELOUS MOTHS!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31 AND SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1, WILDLIFE EDUCATION CENTER SPECIAL HOURS! 10AM – 4PM Explore the fascinating world of moths. View gorgeous moth photos from Jim Des Rivieres. Learn about the moth life cycle, anatomy and how moths differ from butterflies. Opening weekend specials: crafts, refreshments, "meet the animal" programs at 11am, 1pm, and 2:30pm. "Ribbon Cutting" on Jan.31 at 12:15pm. Members: Free, Non-members: \$3

#### **OWL PROWLS**

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6 7PM – 9PM
AT THE WILDLIFE EDUCATION CENTER
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7 7PM – 9PM
AT THE OUTDOOR DISCOVERY CENTER
Join Carl Heitmuller at the Wildlife
Education Center for a hoot of an
evening. Learn about the owls that are
native to our region. Meet one of our
resident owls, then bundle up as we
head out to search for these magnificent
hunters of the night. Learn which owl
sounds like a horse whinny and which
one is likely to eat a skunk! This popular
program has attracted Eastern Screech
Owls and Barred Owls in the past!

Members: \$8 Non-Members \$12 Prepaid registration required. No walk-ins admitted.

# LOVEY DOVEY ON VALENTINE'S DAY

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14
TWO SESSIONS: 10AM AND 11:30AM
OUTDOOR DISCOVERY CENTER
Doves have been a symbol of love
for hundreds of years. Our resident
dove will help you learn about these
gentle birds and their wild cousin,
the Mourning Dove. Bring the camera
to take a great photo of your special
valentine with our live dove. Create a
dove craft to take home.

Members: Adults \$6 Children \$4 Non-members: Adults \$8, Children \$6 Prepaid registration required. Walk-ins welcome, if space allows.



# SECRET LIVES OF VENOMOUS SNAKES

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21 – 10AM WILDLIFE EDUCATION CENTER
Join us for a very special illustrated presentation including live snakes by regional venomous snake researcher and wildlife rehabilitator, Kathy Michell. Learn about these fascinating, misunderstood and reclusive reptiles including:

- Venomous snake identification
- Biology and Behavior
- Conservation issues and survival threats

Observe live specimens of our region's two venomous snakes as well as the museum's resident non-venomous species! Recommended for adults and children 10 and up.
(Snow date: February 28)

Members: Adults \$8, Children 10 – 16 \$6

Non-members: Adults \$11, Children 10 - 16 \$9

Prepaid registration required.
Walk-ins welcome, if space allows.

Call 845-534-7781.

#### **SNAKES ALIVE!**

WILDLIFE EDUCATION CENTER

Meet our live resident snakes as we explore the incredible world of these often misunderstood reptiles. Using an illustrated presentation, we will introduce the most commonly encountered local snakes and teach you how to identify them. Do snakes really hiss? Can they climb trees? Where do snakes go in the winter? Learn answers to these and many other fascinating questions. Recommended for age 5 and up.

Members: Adults, \$6 Children, \$4 Non-Members: Adults \$8, Children \$6 Registration is not necessary.

#### **TROUT WEEKEND**

SATURDAY MARCH 28 AND
SUNDAY MARCH 29, 12PM – 4PM
WILDLIFE EDUCATION CENTER
Two days of fishy fun to welcome spring:

- "Meet the Trout" programs at 1pm and 2:30pm
- Feeding time for the Brook Trout: 1:30pm and 3pm
- Fun activities and stories
- Create a Brook Trout craft to take home Members: Free, Non-members: \$3

#### **FUNNY BUNNIES!**

SATURDAY, APRIL 4
TWO SESSIONS: 9:30AM AND 11AM
OUTDOOR DISCOVERY CENTER
Why do rabbits have so many babies?
How do they protect themselves? Learn
about the native Eastern Cottontail then
take a walk in search of signs of wild
rabbits. Meet live rabbits. Make a Bunny
craft to take home.

Members: Adults \$6, Children \$4 Non-members: Adults \$8, Children \$6 Prepaid registration required. Walk-ins welcome, if space allows

Special School Break Open Hours at the Wildlife Education Center

April 2 & 3 12pm - 4pm with "Meet the Animals" at 1pm and 2:30pm.

School Break Camp at the Outdoor Discovery Center

March 30-April 3, 9am-3pm (Ages 6-9)

Come to spring break camp for vacation fun! Each day campers will explore and play in the fields, ponds, and forests of the Outdoor Discovery Center where log turning, fort building, and searching for signs of spring will nurture their natural curiousity. After playing outdoors kids will meet one of our resident animals or enjoy age appropriate crafts and games. Dress for the weather! Campers should pack a lunch. Hot chocolate will be provided. Register by the day or for the full session.

Members: \$42.00 per day Non-members: \$48.00 per day Prepaid registration required.

### **Animals & Nature Together ANTs!**

Designed for children ages 2-4 and their parent/grandparent or caregiver 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 song, craft, movement activity and story. It is a great way to prepare your child for preschool!

#### **WINTER SESSION - 6 WEEKS** AT THE WILDLIFE EDUCATION CENTER

Wednesdays: Feb. 4 - Mar. 11 (Snow dates: Mar. 18 & 25)

10am - 11am(ages 2\*-3) or 1pm-2pm

(ages 3 - 4)

Fridays: Feb. 6 – Mar. 13 (Snow dates: Mar. 20 & 27) 10am-11am (ages 2\*-4)

Price per adult/child pair Members: \$70 Non-members: \$90 Prepaid registration required.

#### **SPRING SESSION - 8 WEEKS** AT THE WILDLIFE EDUCATION CENTER

Tuesdays: April 7-May 26 9:30am - 10:30am (ages 2\* - 3) Wednesdays: April 8-May 27 9:30am-10:30am (ages 2\* & 3) and 1pm-2pm (ages 2\*- 4) Fridays: April 10-May 29 9:30am-10:30am (ages 2\*- 4)

#### AT THE OUTDOOR DISCOVERY CENTER

Saturdays: April 11-June 6 (no class 4/25) 10:30am-11:30am (ages 2\*-4)

Price per adult/child pair

Members: \$95 Non-members: \$120 Prepaid registration required.

\*Please note that your child MUST be 2 years of age to enroll.



#### **Grasshopper Grove Lunch and Afterschool Clubs**

#### **NEW WINTER LUNCH CLUB**

11:30AM-1:30PM

(CHILDREN WILL NEED TO BRING A LUNCH) 8 WEEK SESSION - FEBRUARY 2- MARCH 27 - MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND FRIDAY NO CLUB ON FEB 16. (SNOW MAKE-UP DAYS, APRIL 8, 10, AND 13) Join Grasshopper Grove educators for winter fun! Even though Grasshopper Grove is closed, winter is still a great time to play outdoors. If the weather is too cold for outdoor play, we will bring nature indoors. Discount prices available if you choose one, two or three days a week for 8-weeks (see below). (Club will run if minimum enrollment is met.)

#### **SPRING CLUBS**

**8 WEEK SESSIONS APRIL 22-JUNE 12** MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND FRIDAY 11:30AM-1:30PM

(CHILDREN WILL NEED TO BRING A LUNCH) 3PM - 5PM

The Museum is once again offering its popular lunch and afterschool Grasshopper Grove Clubs for 4 and 5 year olds. Both programs offer plenty of outdoor playtime in Grasshopper Grove, our nature play area. If inclement weather brings them inside, the focus is still on learning about the natural world. (Clubs will run if minimum enrollment is met.)

#### **Prices for Winter and Spring Clubs:**

Discount prices available if you choose one, two or three days a week for 8-weeks with prepaid registration online. Members: 3 days, \$240, 2 days \$176,

1 day \$96

Non-members: 3 days \$288, 2 days \$208, 1 day \$112

Drop- ins accepted if space allows and if registered online before 9am on the day

of the program. Drop-in rate: Members: \$16. Non-members: \$20

#### **After-School Adventures**

3:45PM-5PM - 5-WEEK SESSION **OUTDOOR DISCOVERY CENTER MEMBERS \$60, NON-MEMBERS \$75** 

#### PATHFINDERS FOR GRADES K-2

MONDAYS: APRIL 27, MAY 4, 11, 18 AND JUNE 1

#### **Bug Safari**

Kids love bugs! Let's go search for bugs in the water, fields, forest floor and trees. We also will have a visit from exotic species that live in the Museum's collection. Join Carl as we explore and learn how the insect world works.

#### **EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 3-5**

WEDNESDAYS: APRIL 22, MAY 6, 13, 20, 27

#### **Carl's Fishing Class!**

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

To Register go to www.hhnm.org or call 845.534.5506 x204

#### **Young Naturalist Preschool** Registration is open for 2015-2016

This popular program offers three and four year olds the opportunity to interact with other students and with nature in a hands-on and exciting way. The children learn their letters, numbers, colors and shapes while exploring, experimenting and discovering the world around them.

#### For Four-Year-Olds

- Owls meet Mon. Fri. 8:45am 11:30am
- Deer meet Mon Fri. 12pm 2:45pm
- Dragonflies meet Mon., Wed., & Fri. 12:15pm 3pm

For Three-Year Olds

- Bluebirds meet Mon., Wed., & Fri. 9am 11:45am
- Turtles meet Tues. & Thurs. 9am 11:45am
- Frogs meet Tues. & Thurs. 12:15pm 3pm

Early registration is advisable for this popular program. The priority application deadline for current students, their siblings and alumni is Dec. 16. Priority deadline for Members is January 23.

Member Families new to the program should attend our Open House on Thursday, January 22 from 3:30pm-6 pm. The teachers will be available to answer questions and application forms will be available at this time. (Snow date: Jan. 23)

Open House for the General Public: Thursday, March 19 from 3:30pm-6pm. (Snow date: Mar. 20)

Go to www.hhnm.org for a Young Naturalist Program brochure, application form and sample contract. For more information, see the Young Naturalist Handbook online.



PO Box 451 Cornwall, New York 12518



Save the Date! Hike-A-Thon and Earth Day Celebration – Saturday, April 25



## HELP US REACH CORNWALL HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!

#### \$1000 SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE!

The Hudson Highlands Nature Museum is seeking Cornwall High School Seniors committed to incorporating environmental ethics in their future plans to apply for a \$1000 scholarship.

Students may obtain applications from the Cornwall High School guidance office or the Museum website at hhnm.org under "ABOUT US" and then "COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP."

## CONTINUE YOUR CARING

# CONNECT KIDS WITH NATURE FOR GENERATIONS!

Generations For Nature, the HHNM Planned Giving Circle, is made up of individuals who have included the Museum as beneficiaries in their estate plans. Their "planned gifts" may take many forms but they have one thing in common: their generosity will enable the Museum to fulfill its mission far into the future.

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

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.

www.hhnm.org

#### **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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