



New Pond Farm

EDUCATION CENTER

Programs

for adults, families, children

“Connecting people with the land that enriches and sustains us all.”

Adult Programs

CRAFTING NORDIC HATS FOR THE HOLIDAYS

with *Kate Schwartz*
Thursdays Nov. 6, 13,
and Dec. 4, 10-11:30 a.m.

What could be a more welcomed gift than a colorful Nordic hat with warm earflaps? Come, sit by the fire, meet new friends and



join veteran knitter Kate Schwartz for this three week program. Materials to bring with you: If using just one color: 1 skein (about 130 yards) for baby, child and woman hat--2 skeins for man hat. If using two colors (for contrast/design), two skeins, one of each color, double pointed needles and size 8 needles.

\$45/member, \$55/nonmember

ENTERTAIN WITH EASE

Thursday, November 6, 7-9 p.m.

Hosting a dinner party is a wonderful way to celebrate life with friends and family this holiday season. From soup to nuts, we'll show you how to pull off a great dinner party of your own. With some great planning tips and make-ahead seasonal recipes, you'll be inspired to dust off the china and polish the silver for the holidays! In addition to fabulous recipes and techniques, you'll also learn how planning and preparing ahead will allow you to actually enjoy your guests. Gather around the butcher block for an evening full of hands-on recipes, delicious food and wine.

Our guest home-chef this evening is Tracy Castelli. She lives in Wilton with her two daughters, who have been working in their mom's organic vegetable garden since they were babies. Tracy is a horticulturalist and landscape designer with a passion for great local food, home entertaining...and feeding her loved ones. Mangia!!

\$30/member, \$40/nonmember. Space is limited to 10.



WREATH MAKING

Thursday, December 4
10-11:30 a.m. or 7-8:30 p.m.

Fresh greens, pine cones, pods, bows and frames along with expert hands will be here to greet you. Join us in our Gathering Place and make your own spectacular wreath this season. Please bring a pair of work gloves and clippers.

Light refreshments will be served.

\$50/member, \$60/nonmember

Birthday Parties!!



Did you know that our staff offers fun and educational birthday parties for NPF Family Members?

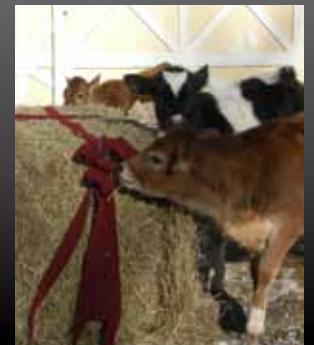
Please visit our website for more details:

http://www.newpondfarm.org/birthday_parties



HOLIDAY CRAFTS

December 6
See pages 2 and 3.



HOLIDAYS WITH THE ANIMALS

December 13
See pages 2 and 3.

Registration Information

- Registration & Prepayment required for all programs except for the Harvest Festival
- To register please call the office 203.938.2117 or visit our website www.newpondfarm.org
- One week cancellation required for refund.
- Please park at the Learning Center
- Dress for the outdoors

Autumn, 2014

Family Programs

OCT. ASTRONOMY

Saturday, October 11, 7 p.m.

Join volunteer astronomers at our Observatory and learn more about the planets and fall constellations. Dress warmly and bring a flashlight and binoculars if you have them. Park at the Learning Center.

*\$4/person (\$16 max. per family)
\$6/nonmember (\$24 max. per family)*



NOV. ASTRONOMY

Saturday, November 1, 5:30 pm

Our fantastic astronomy volunteers will be on hand for an evening of star and planet gazing. Gaze through our telescopes with connections for Smart Phone photography! The observatory has a wooden deck to stand on and an adjacent heated building in which to warm up. Please park at the Learning Center and bring a flashlight for your walk out to Astronomy Hill. Farm fresh hot chocolate will be served! Park at the Learning Center.

*\$4/person (\$16 max. per family)
\$6/nonmember (\$24 max. per family)*

NATIVE AMERICAN CELEBRATION

Sunday, November 2, 1-3:30 pm



Sit in our thatched longhouse and barked wigwam and take a trip back in time to learn about the Eastern Woodland Indians that walked these lands. Learn how arrowheads, spears and other tools were created and used, make pinch pots, play Native American games, hear legends, and enjoy traditional foods as you learn about Native American cooking methods.

*\$15/person (\$45 max./member family)
\$20/person (\$60 max./nonmember family)*

FAMILY FARM CHORES

Saturday, November 15 OR

Sunday, November 16, 2:30-3:30 pm



Help Farmers Mike and Jeff with the feeding of the cows, calves, sheep and chickens, collect eggs! There will be a milking demonstration.

MEMBERS ONLY! \$10 per family

CAROLING IN THE BARN WITH THE ANIMALS!

Friday, December 5, 6-7 p.m.

Saturday, December 6, 5-6 p.m.

Sunday, December 7, 5-6 p.m.



Begin the holiday season on a joyous note! Join us in the main barn as we sit on hay bales surrounded by our cows and sheep and are led in song by talented musicians. Homemade cookies and farm fresh hot chocolate will be served!

MEMBERS ONLY! \$8/person

Reserve early!!

Hay bale seating is limited!!

10 Yr. Old and Up

THE JUNIOR STAFF PROGRAM RETURNS!

October 16, 23, 30; November 6, 13, 20.

4-5 p.m.

We are excited to announce the revival of our Junior Staff Program! Junior Staffers will meet one day per week for six weeks. Learn how to help care for the program animals, work out on the trails, help with wildlife projects, and gain hands-on farm experience!

*Space is limited. \$75/member
NPF FAMILY MEMBERS ONLY*

6-12 Yr. Old Programs

All programs, unless otherwise specified, meet from 4-5 p.m.

\$6/member, \$8/nonmember

KNITTING CLASS FOR BOYS & GIRLS AGES 8 AND UP

Three sessions on Sundays

(11/9, 11/16, 11/23), 2-3p.m.



Create a Bean Bag using New Pond Farm Wool. Join Kate Schwartz, a NPF mom that loves connecting hands and heart with art, as she teaches young knitters how to create colorful bean bags, just in time for sharing holiday gifts! NPF yarns will be provided but please bring: Needles size 8 or 9 (9" or 10").

Parents are welcome to stay!

\$35/member, \$45/nonmember

GOING BATTY!

Tuesday, October 28

Joy us for a fun-filled afternoon learning about these incredible flying mammals, their habitats, their foods, and why they are so important to our environment!

HOLIDAY CRAFTS

Saturday, December 6, 1-2 p.m.

From traditional garlands made from cinnamon ornaments, baked orange slices and laurel leaves, to enchanting snowmen, gnomes and animals, we will be getting the season off to a festive start!

\$12/member, \$16/nonmember

HOLIDAYS WITH THE ANIMALS

Saturday, December 13, 1-2 p.m.

Bundle up and come celebrate the holidays with our farm animals! Greet our cows, chickens and sheep with holiday cheer and provide them with a snack! Farm fresh hot chocolate will be served!

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4-5 Yr. Olds with an Adult

All programs, unless otherwise specified, meet Mondays from 2-2:45 p.m.
\$6/member, \$8/nonmember

STREAM TEAM

Monday, October 6

Join us for an afternoon of fresh water exploration. We will capture, study and release a variety of aquatic insects and creatures from our stream. Come see what we might find! Wear your rubber boots or water shoes please.

LIFE UNDER A LOG

Monday, October 27

Join us for a fall hike as we explore the life beneath our feet! We will gently roll over logs and look for some of the fascinating variety of critters living there.

WOODLAND INDIANS

Monday, November 10



We will spend the afternoon learning what life was like when the Eastern Woodland Indians traversed our land. Visit our wigwam and longhouse, learn about cooking with hot rocks, play traditional games and enjoy native snacks!

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HOLIDAYS WITH THE ANIMALS

Saturday, December 13, 10-11 a.m.

Bundle up and celebrate the holiday season with our farm animals! Enjoy great stories, greet our cows, chickens and sheep with holiday cheer and provide them with a snack! Farm fresh hot chocolate will be served!

To register call 203-938-2117 or visit www.newpondfarm.org • *Friend Us on Facebook*

New Pond Farm's Annual Harvest Festival!

Saturday, October 18th 11 a.m.- 4 p.m. (Rain date 19th 1-4 p.m.)

— HISTORICAL DEMONSTRATIONS —

- * Open Hearth Cooking
- * Antique Tools
- * Rope Making
- * Broom Making

— LIVESTOCK ENCOUNTERS —

- * A Team of majestic draft horses will pull wagonrides through the pastures from 2-4 p.m.
- * Enjoy the Farm's own dairy herd & their calves
- * Buy beautiful yarns from our flock of Romney sheep

— HARVEST CRAFTS TO BRING HOME —

- * Create a grapevine wreath * Decorate a pumpkin
- * Roll a beeswax candle * Design apple-print bandanas
- * Make gourd creatures * Felted fleece apples & MORE!

— ASTRONOMY —

- * Using our telescope & solar filter, view the sun's surface and more!

— 1 p.m. Sun, Sun, Sun...Here it Comes! —

- * Join us for a Solar Celebration as we flip the switch and turn on our new solar system!

Enjoy delicious seasonal fare and farm fresh milk!

NO DOGS PLEASE!

*\$5 per person (over 3 years old) or \$20 per family
There are small fees for crafts*



Renew or join Online, or by mail!

The majority of our operating budget is dependent on memberships, program revenues and private grants.

We welcome your support! Please make your contribution payable to New Pond Farm Education Center and send it to: New Pond Farm Education Center, Box 116, West Redding, CT 06896.

To have a gift card mailed, please call the office!

As members you will have the opportunity to:

- Hike, cross country ski and explore on our spectacular private 102-acre property
- Receive discounts on programs
- Enjoy many Members-Only programs — like Junior Staff, Summer Camp, Pancake Breakfasts, Caroling with the Animals & evening amphibian programs
- Receive seasonal Newsletter and calendars in advance so that you may be first to sign up for our classes
- Participate in educational and unique birthday parties for your children
- Enjoy an ongoing series of adult workshops and outdoor activities throughout the year
- Discover the fascinating plant and animal communities of the Redding area in our hands-on classes
- Support one of the last working farms in Fairfield County — celebrating our connection to the land and the origins of our food
- Support environmental programs that plant the seeds of conservation, encouraging students of all ages to become responsible stewards of the land
- Support a summer camp that brings together children from the inner city and children from surrounding areas in a personal atmosphere, fostering new understandings and friendships

Membership Categories:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Adult | \$50 | <input type="checkbox"/> Supporting | \$100 | <input type="checkbox"/> Patron | \$500 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family | \$75 | <input type="checkbox"/> Sustaining | \$300 | <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor | \$1,000 |
| | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Guardian | \$5,000 |

Name(s) of family members: _____

Mailing Address Information:

Name: _____

Street: _____ City, State, Zip _____

Phone: _____ email: _____

New Pond Farm Education Center is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) public foundation. Memberships are tax deductible to the fullest extent provided by law.



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Birthday parties...see page 1.

