

# Earth Spirit Educational Services, Inc.

## Public Programs

Earth Spirit Educational Services, Inc., a not-for-profit membership organization, is dedicated to the concepts of Nature Awareness and Environmental Education.



**Registration:** All programs require pre-registration, preferably 3 days in advance.

Children, ages 8-12, may attend for ½ price.

**NOTE:** Programs at Birdsong Park require registration with the Orchard Park Recreation Department. See program details for information.

For additional information and/or to register, please contact:  
Earth Spirit Educational Services, P.O. Box 261, Orchard Park, New York 14127  
(716) 941-6267 or e-mail earthspiritoffice@roadrunner.com  
www.earthspiritedu.org

### Living Naturally Series – Spring/Summer 2010

#### Harbingers of Spring \*\*

**Friday, April 16, 7:00 – 8:30pm**

**Location:** Orchard Park Recreation Center, Yates Park

**Focus:** While Groundhog's Day may be the colloquial barometer in determining the start of Spring, many other creatures are announcing the coming of the new season long before. Come and discover the *real* signs of Spring and become attuned to the fascinating rhythms of Nature through this unique indoor presentation.

**Fees:** Members \$3.00 / Non-Members \$5.00

#### The Birds of Spring \*\*

**Saturday, April 17, 1:00 – 4:00pm**

**Location:** Iroquois Wildlife Refuge

**Focus:** As a follow-up to the previous evening's program, join us at the Refuge to experience the Spring migrations as we learn about the history of bird watching, the ecology of birds, plus the identification of local waterfowl and other avian migrants and residents.

**Fees:** Members \$5.00 / Non-Members \$7.00

#### The Herbs of Spring

**Saturday, May 1, 1:00 – 3:30pm**

**Location:** West Falls Park, West Falls

**Focus:** This moderate hike through fields and mature forests will focus upon Spring ephemerals (early forest herbs), plant ecology, medicinal herbs and wild edible plants.

**Fees:** Members \$5.00 / Non-Members \$7.00

#### Nature Adventures Day

**Saturday, May 15, 1:00 – 4:30pm**

**Location:** Chaffee Wildlife Preserve, Chaffee

**Focus:** Join us at the Preserve to experience a variety of family-oriented nature programs including live animal demonstrations, ecology hikes, pond studies, wildlife lectures and more.

**Fees:** Free of charge

(Co-sponsored by Waste Management of Chaffee)

#### Earth Spirit Members' Picnic

**Sunday, June 6, 12:00 – 4:00pm**

**Location:** Back of the Beyond, Colden

**Focus:** Enjoy a special day for Earth Spirit members and their families that will include a healthy dish-to-pass picnic, lively discussions, organization updates/reports and some fun forest hikes.

**Fees:** Free of Charge

#### Hiking the Hills of Colden

**Saturday, June 19, 10:00am – 12:30pm**

**Location:** Buffalo Ski Club, Colden

**Focus:** This is a strenuous and challenging hike through varied terrain that includes steep hills within some of Western New York's premiere ski country.

**Fees:** Members \$3.00 / Non-Members \$5.00

#### Urban Canoe Hike

**Saturday, July 10, 10:00am – 1:00pm**

**Location:** An Urban Waterway

**Focus:** This canoe expedition will involve a leisurely paddle along one of Buffalo's interesting waterways and will focus upon the unique ecology of creek/river environments.

**Fees:** Members \$3.00 / Non-Members \$5.00

**Note:** Please bring your own canoe/kayak and lunch.

#### Crepuscular Hike - Wildlife Surveys

**Saturday, July 24, 6:30 – 8:30pm**

**Location:** Chaffee Wildlife Preserve, Chaffee

**Focus:** Hike with our naturalist through old fields and mature forests as we gather information on local wildlife based upon sightings, sounds and other life signs. If available, please bring binoculars.

**Fees:** Free of charge

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#### **\*\* Spring Weekend Special:**

**Attend both "Harbingers of Spring" and "Birds of Spring" and get second program at half price!!**

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### Earth Spirit Led Programs at Birdsong Park, Orchard Park, NY

**Wildlife Expedition: Saturday, August 7, 10:00am – 12:30pm**

**Focus:** This is a gentle hike through open fields, swamps, mature forests and around ponds in search of interesting wildlife and their life signs.

**Contact Orchard Park Recreation for fees and registration:** 716-662-6450 or oprec@orchardparkny.org.

## Membership Information

Earth Spirit Educational Services, Inc. is a not-for-profit educational organization that seeks to bring others closer to the Gifts of Nature. If you wish to support our work, we invite you to become a member of the Earth Spirit family.

### Member Benefits

Special programs for members 🌍 Discounted rates on public programs and seminars 🌍 Seasonal newsletters

### Membership Form

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/St/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Select your Membership Level (check one):

<u>Member Category</u>	<u>One Year</u>	<u>Two Year</u>	<u>Three Year</u>
<i>Student (w/ID) / Senior (65+)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$15.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35.00
<i>Individual</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$45.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$65.00
<i>Family</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$40.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$75.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$110.00
<i>Friend of the Earth</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$150.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$200.00
<u>Lifetime</u>			
<i>Forever Green</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500.00		

*If your Employer offers a matching gift program, enter Employer's name and address here:*

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Make checks payable to **Earth Spirit** and mail to: Earth Spirit Educational Services, PO Box 261, Orchard Park, NY 14127.  
Thank you!

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## Attention Community Groups!

Earth Spirit's services are designed to reach a large audience and we would be delighted to work with your organization or community group. We offer a wide range of topics and experiences designed to broaden our understanding of the natural world plus our connectedness and responsibility to it. Programs are conducted at Earth Spirit field centers, your facility or any other prearranged location. Our instructors are available year-round for half-day, full-day or evening programs.

Contact our office for scheduling and further information – 716-941-6267.

## Our Roots

Getting back to our "roots" means getting back to the simple lifestyle of conserving energy and reducing waste. It also means getting back to our natural gift of planting and growing, rather than just opening cans for food to eat. It means starting to learn some simple herbal and natural remedies and treatments, particularly for young children, so they can pass these wonderful gifts along to the future generations.

- J.T. and Michael Garrett - "Medicine of the Cherokee: The Way of Right Relationship"

*These are some of the concepts Earth Spirit shares through our programs with local schools, community groups and the general public. We look forward to your participation in this important work.*