






**Beaver Brook
FOREVER**

SUMMER EDUCATION CALENDAR 2007 BEAVER BROOK ASSOCIATION

- **Important: Call 603-465-7787 to pre-register for ALL programs.**
- **A minimum number of participants is needed to run each program.**
- **A 10% discount is applied on programs over \$10 for Friends of Beaver Brook.**

Saturday, June 16	Invasive Plants Workshop and Demonstration
<p>Time: 9 a.m. – Noon Place: Nashua River Watershed Association, 592 Main St, Groton, MA and demonstration site at 100 Hollis Street in Groton Fee: Free to the public</p>	<p>Robert Pine, a landscape architect and local environmentalist, will present a Powerpoint presentation on his multi-year project to reduce invasive plants on his property, consisting of four acres of wetlands with two small ponds and two acres of uplands, in Groton. Many species have been targeted for control in this project, including bittersweet, honeysuckle, multiflora rose, buckthorn, garlic mustard and purple loosestrife. The goal of the project is to restore the area to a high functioning wetland with a particular focus on habitat and biodiversity.</p> <p>Bob will explain techniques for controlling invasives even after they have completely taken over an area and provide insights into how to plan and manage a restoration project. Bob will also talk about the personal benefits of this work and how to approach a restoration project such that it can be enjoyable and gratifying rather than a burden. Come learn how to restore and enhance property affected by invasives and why it can be a personally enriching process.</p> <p>The second half of the program will include a “field Trip” to Bob’s property. This program is supported by the EPA in a grant entitled “Protecting Today’s Water For Tomorrow” and the stewardship committee of the Squannassit and Petapawag Areas of Critical Environmental Concern.</p>
Thursdays, June 21, 28/ July 12, 19, 26/ August 2, 9, 16	Take Time on Thursdays
<p>Time: 9:30 a.m.</p> 	<p>June 21 - Wild Edibles Hike with Chris Lalmond meet at Maple Hill Farm, \$5. Learn to eat nutritious wild plants that grow in your garden, woods and lawn.</p> <p>June 28 - Mommy or Daddy and Me: Parent & Child Story, craft & Hike with Ellen Unger at the Brown Lane Barn, \$5.</p> <p>July 12 - Birch Houses with Mary Salmon at the Maple Hill Farm Cooper shed, \$15. Each participant will design and create a small house of their choice out of white birch bark. Make anything from a cape, a small apartment to a colonial with an attached garage. Then you will decorate it using lichen, bark, twigs, berries and pine cones. The birch houses look beautiful nestled among holiday greens or as the perfect ornament. Please save small boxes such as band aide, medicine or toothpaste. A long toothpaste box is long enough to make two houses. Please also bring hand clippers and scissors and glue guns. Tacky (craft) glue, rubber bands, and materials will be provided.</p> <p>July 19 - Hypertufa and Concrete Birdbaths with Celeste and Cheri at the Brown Lane Barn Lower Level, \$20. Make a garden ornament that looks like stone</p> <p>July 26 - Letterboxing - Introduction and Hike to Find, \$5. Bring a rubber stamp of your choice and a blank book to start collecting stamps in. Wear hiking footwear and insect repellent.</p> <p>August 2 - Plant ID Walk with Vicki Michaels, \$5. Meet at the Brown Lane Barn gazebo then walk the Self-Guided trail. Receive a guidebook.</p> <p>August 9 - Fitness Hike with Carol Ritchie at the Maple Hill Farm, \$5. Learn some new trails while pumping up your heartrate. Pace is moderately fast.</p> <p>August 16 - Herb Butter and Pesto-making with Cheri Schmidt, \$10. Tour the Maple Hill Gardens.</p>

<p>Tuesdays and Thursdays June 19 – June 26</p>	<p>Social Skills In The Wild</p>	
<p>Time: Students entering Grades 4-6: 1:30-3:00 p.m. Place: Beaver Brook Maple Hill Farm, 117 Ridge Road, Hollis, NH Fee: \$310 Instructors: Susan Morelli, M.S., CCC/SLP and Nancy Kring-Burns, M.S., Ed.</p>	<p>Activities in the natural outdoor classroom provide opportunities for social interactions with like-minded peers. The potential is limitless.</p> <p>Direct instruction utilizing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • turn taking skills • peer interaction • topic maintenance • verbal/non-verbal exchange <p>Call 603-465-7787 to register.</p>	<p>Susan Morelli, M.S., CCC/SLP, Speech-Language Pathologist, smorelli@charter.net Nancy Kring-Burns, M.S., Ed., Special Educator, nkring-burns@charter.net</p>
<p>Thursday, July 12</p> <p>Time: 5 – 7 p.m. Place: Meet at Wildlife Pond Parking Area, Route 130 west of Hollis center Fee: Free to the Public. Please call to pre-register. Instructor: Jonathon Nute, Hillsborough County Forester and Peter Smith, BBA Natural Resource Manager</p>	<p>Twilight Tour of Timber Harvest Area at the Wildlife Pond</p> <p>This walking tour will present an overview of forestry management techniques and objectives. The group will examine a recent timber harvest site and discuss the objectives and effects on the environment. Different techniques for harvesting timber will be discussed as will methods for protecting water quality during and after a harvest. Forest management practices in riparian zones will also be discussed. This program is supported by the EPA in a grant entitled “Protecting Today’s Water For Tomorrow”.</p>	
<p>Saturday, July 21</p> <p>Time: 8:30a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Place: Burns Farm Parking lot, Burns Hill Road, Milford, NH Pre-register: Call the Maple Hill Farm office to register.</p>	<p>New Hampshire Trails Day</p> <p>Celebrate New Hampshire Trails Day again this year at the Burns/Holland Farms in Milford. Volunteers will join BBA staff in clearing or cleaning trails and other maintenance activities. Tools will be provided but dress for the weather and bring work gloves and a water bottle. Light snacks will be provided.</p>	
<p>Wednesday, August 22</p> <p>Time: 7:00-8:30 p.m. Place: Meet at Brown Lane Barn Parking area, Brown Lane, Hollis, NH, for guide to Campfire circle Fee: \$5 or \$ 15 per family Instructor: Amy Conley</p>	<p>Songs Around the Campfire with Amy Conley</p> <p>The whole family is invited to join musician Amy Conley for songs and stories around the Beaver Brook Campfire. Some songs will take you back to happy childhood days and create new memories for those who are still young. Light snacks will be provided. Be prepared to walk back to Brown Lane Barn parking lot in the dark after the program (5 – 10 minute walk.)</p>	
<p>Saturday, August 25</p> <p>Time: 1 – 5 p.m. Place: Start at BBA Maple Hill Farm, 177 Ridge Road, Hollis, NH Fee: \$10 per person</p>	<p>Backyard Wildlife Habitat Garden Tour</p> <p>Learn how you to simply landscape your property to make it attractive to butterflies, birds and other wildlife. With increased loss of wildlife habitat across southern New Hampshire, it is valuable to think about how to maintain habitat for wildlife in our own backyards. Simple activities like adding bird houses, brush piles, keeping dead trees, and converting grass to wildflower areas can provide benefits to many species. Start at Beaver Brook’s Maple Hill Gardens, tour our theme gardens, check out native plants, then receive a map to the other properties so you can visit and learn more from the other hosts. Co-sponsored by the Nature Conservancy.</p>	