

# Eco-Justice Center

## FALL & WINTER 2016-2017

# Calendar of Events



### Seasonal Pizza Bake

Thursday, Sept. 8, 2016 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Prepare your own pizza made with local, seasonal ingredients, then bake it in a brick oven on site and enjoy with fresh salad. Adult fee is \$8, children 12 and under, \$4. Call 262-681-8527 to schedule.

### Fall Festival

Sunday, Sept. 18, 2016 11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Bring the family and enjoy live music, delicious food, demonstrations, hermitage tour, pony rides, hay rides, a petting zoo, story time by the treehouse, face painting and kids' games and crafts. Demonstrations will include spinning, wood turning, green cleaning, calligraphy, and bee keeping. The event also includes a silent auction, food for sale, veggie stand, bake sale and gift shop. Adult tickets are \$4, children \$2 and children 3 years and under are free.

### Autumnal Equinox Celebration

Thursday, Sept. 22, 2016 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Celebrate the beginning of fall with reflection and music centered around the harvest. We invite you to bring an appetizer to share.

### Natural Dyes Workshop

Saturday, Oct. 1, 2016 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Guide: Molly Stranek

Participants will first learn how to imprint gathered natural materials onto silk scarves. Then, dye additional items in an indigo vat, learning shibori techniques. Dress to get a little messy! Bring two all-natural fabric textiles to dye in the indigo vat. A silk scarf will be provided for the first activity. Please bring rubber gloves if you have them. Workshop fee is \$30.

### Heritage Food, Deep Sustainability, and Self Actualization

Saturday, Oct. 8, 2016 9:30 am - 11:00 am

Guide: Charlie Tennesen

Learn from the farmer of Mt. Pleasant's Anarchy Acres, "home of extreme organic produce." You'll hear about his sustainable farming practices and the heritage foods he is growing and selling. Workshop fee is \$5.

### In Defense of Food Discussion Series

Each Wednesday from Oct. 12 - Nov. 16, 2016  
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm, Siena Center

This bestseller by Michael Pollan centers around an *Eater's Manifesto*: "Eat food. Not too much. Mostly plants." Filled with fascinating insight about the food industry, nutrition, and the Western diet, great conversation is inevitable. Participants are responsible for acquiring a copy of the book.

### Energy Efficiency in Your Home

Saturday, Nov. 5, 2016 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Guide: Casey McIntosh

Learn practical steps to reduce your utility costs and household environmental impact by more than half (compared to national averages). Understand how your carbon footprint relates to global emissions levels and reduction targets. Workshop fee is \$5.

### Our Mission:

The Eco-Justice Center  
is dedicated to environmental education  
and care of Earth in the context of  
*community, contemplation,  
creativity, and cultivation.*

## **Cooking Class: Soup & Bread**

Thursday, Nov. 10, 2016 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Guides: Lizz Fabel and Nancy Gaskin

Autumn is made for homemade soup and bread! Learn to prepare--and enjoy eating---a simple, seasonal soup and whole wheat bread made from local Anarchy Acres flour. Take home a loaf you scale and shape to bake in your oven. Workshop and dinner fee is \$25.

## **Winter Solstice Celebration**

Wednesday, Dec. 21, 2016 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Gather to celebrate the start of winter with reflection and music. We invite you to bring an appetizer to share.

## ***Silent Spring* Discussion Series**

Each Wednesday from Jan. 11 - Feb. 15, 2017  
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm, Siena Center

Rachel Carson's 1962 book was pivotal, informing Americans of grave environmental concerns resulting from chemical pesticides. Whether you read it long ago or you've always had it on your "to read" list, we hope you'll join us as we look at this 50-year-old book that continues to be so relevant. Participants are responsible for acquiring a copy of the book.

## **Mending Bee**

Saturday, Jan. 21, 2017 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Stop in to learn how to mend the holes in socks, sew on buttons or patch your pants. Bring any clothing needing mending. Sr. Rose Marie Dischler and Sr. Mary Ann Weyker will serve as "mending mentors." Also learn simple, elegant Japanese "Sashiko" techniques from Sarah Ronnevik. Donations appreciated.

## **Green Cleaning**

Saturday, Feb. 18, 2017 10:00 am - 11:30 am

Guide: Laura Schneider

Most cleaning products are a hazard to our health and environment. Learn simple, everyday household items that are effective and safe. Participants will prepare a sample cleaning solution to take home and try. Workshop fee is \$5.

# **General Information**

## **Other Program Information**

Please see our website for more information. Registration forms can be found on our website under "Programs and Events." Fees include all workshop materials, unless specified. Checks can be made payable to "Eco-Justice Center."

## **Financial Assistance**

For financial assistance to attend programs call:

S. Rejane at 262-681-8527.

## **Donations**

Anyone wishing to make a donation to support the mission of the Eco-Justice Center can make a check payable to "Eco-Justice Center" or donate on our website using Paypal.

## **Eco-Justice Center Tours**

The Center is open for formal, guided educational tours and self-guided tours at your own pace. More information can be found on our website under "Tours and School Programs."

## **Hermitage**

Come to rest, read, relax, renew, write, create, and enjoy. The hermitage offers a cozy atmosphere with a fireplace, comfy chair and bed, and all the essentials for simple living amid the beauty of nature. Rental fee: \$40 per day for a single person, \$45 for a couple. To reserve, call Sr. Kathleen Bohn at 262-681-2146 in the evenings or at 262-898-2581 during the day.

## **Individualized Lessons**

Persons wishing to learn any of the following crafts are invited to contact the instructor to make arrangements. Price is to be worked out with the instructor.

### **Crocheting and Knitting-**

Instructor: Sr. Mary Ann Weyker  
(call 262-681-2146, evenings)

### **Spinning, Tatting, Felting-**

Instructor: Sr. Janet Weyker (call 262-681-8527)

**Weaving-** Instructor: Sr. Kathleen Bohn  
(call 262-681-2146, evenings)

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