

Eco-Justice Center

SPRING & SUMMER 2018

Calendar of Events



Spring Equinox Celebration

Tuesday, March 20, 2018 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm

Celebrate the start of spring with reflection and music centered around rebirth. We invite you to bring an appetizer to share. Donations appreciated.

The Buzz about Bees

Saturday, March 24, 2018 10:00 am – 11:30 am

Guide: S. Janet Weyker

This presentation will introduce participants to the basics of bee keeping: the importance of bees in our food system, bee anatomy and behavior, bee keeping equipment, types of hives, and the challenges faced by bees today because of disease, loss of habitat, and use of harmful chemicals. Through slides, posters, and a visit to our honey house, attendees will get a feel for what it takes to be a keeper of bees. Adults and children age 6 and older are welcomed. Class fee is \$5.

Spring Break Camp

April 3-6, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm / Ages 5-8 / \$100

Children will have a day learning all about bees, a day hatching chicks, a day exploring our hoop-house & learning all about plants, and a day spent with our goats, alpacas and other animals! Each day will be filled with exploration, lessons, crafts, games, music, and stories.

Registration opens February 1 at ecojusticecenter.org

Bluebird Talk

Saturday, April 14, 2018 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Guide: Rick Fare

Learn about the annual life cycle of the Eastern Bluebird and how to attract them to your yard during the breeding season. Proper placement of boxes in good habitat, along with effective predator control will be discussed, in addition to the importance of bluebirds and tips on becoming a good bluebird monitor. Class fee is \$5.

May Bird Walks

Tuesdays, May 1 & 15, 2018 5:30 pm

May 8 & 22, 2018 8:00 am

Guide: Rick Fare

May is the prime month to witness the bird migration. Warblers, orioles, tanagers, and hummingbirds - along with many others - will be returning to their breeding grounds after a long migration. This is an exciting time of the year to enjoy birds! Donations appreciated.

Ecology Camp on the Farm

June 25-29 (ages 11-14, includes overnight) / \$150

June 18-22 / July 9-13 / July 16-20 (ages 6-10) / \$110

Campers engage with life on the EJC farm through interacting with animals, food preparation, harvesting produce, interactive ecology lessons, creativity and more!

Registration opens February 1 at ecojusticecenter.org

Summer Solstice Celebration

Thursday, June 21, 2018 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Gather for a lively celebration of the start of summer and the longest day of the year. We invite you to bring a seasonal appetizer to share. Donations appreciated.

Bees, Bees, Bees!

Saturday, June 30, 2018 9:00 am – 10:30 am

Guide: S. Janet Weyker

If you were unable to make the March bee program at Eco-J, you're still in luck! We're offering a second opportunity to learn the basics of bee keeping: the importance of bees in our food system, bee anatomy and behavior, bee keeping equipment, types of hives, and the challenges faced by bees today because of disease, loss of habitat, and use of harmful chemicals. Through slides, posters, and a visit to our honey house, attendees will get a feel for what it takes to be a keeper of bees. Adults and children age 6 and older are welcomed. Class fee is \$5.



Farm to Table Dinner

Join us for our 2nd Annual Farm to Table Dinner! This event will feature local, seasonal produce grown and harvested by our Racine Area Youth Farm Corps crew and prepared with the flavor of local chefs.

More info soon at ecojusticecenter.org & on Facebook!

Farm Corp embraces the value of hands-on education for area youth in growing local food and organic farming. These youth learn the benefits of healthy eating and nutrition while practicing sustainable agriculture.

BONK! in the Barn

August, 2018 (Date TBA) 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Explore the grounds, then settle in for poetry and live music in the barn, sponsored by the Racine County Public Library. BONK! is a free monthly event that takes place in a variety of locations.

Fall Festival

Sunday, September 16, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Bring the family and enjoy live music, delicious food, demonstrations, hermitage tours, hay rides, a petting zoo, story time, face painting and kids' games and crafts. Demonstrations will include spinning, wood turning, seasonal cooking, and beekeeping. The event also includes a lucky ticket raffle, sweepstakes, food for sale, veggie stand, bake sale and gift shop.

Tickets: Adults \$5, Children \$2 (3 & under are free)



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

To schedule, call 262-681-2146, evenings

Spinning, Tatting, Felting

Instructor: Sr. Janet Weyker

To schedule, call 262-681-2146

Weaving

Instructor: Sr. Kathleen Bohn

To schedule, call 262-681-2146, evenings

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."

Eco-Justice Center Tours

The Center is open for guided educational tours at a cost and free self-guided tours at your own pace. More information can be found on our website under "Tours and School Programs." We are open for visits 8am-5pm, Monday-Saturday and 1pm-4pm, Sunday.

Financial Assistance

For financial assistance to attend programs, call S. Rejane at 262-681-8527.

Our Mission:

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

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 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.

Volunteer!

Eco-J wouldn't exist without our wonderful volunteers. If you're interested in sharing your time and talents with us, please fill out the form on our website (see "Volunteer" tab) or give us a call.

Eco-Justice Center

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*Learn more at ecojusticecenter.org
and on Facebook*

Come Visit Us!

8:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday-Saturday
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm, Sunday

