

SPECIAL EVENTS WINTER 2010

Groundhog Day

Saturday, January 30, 1-3 pm
Cost: \$7/person in advance
\$10/person at the gate



How many North American animals have a holiday all to themselves? Only the humble Groundhog, weather prognosticator *extraordinaire*! Celebrate this child friendly holiday at Owl's with a burrow search, stories in the Owl's Hill People Burrow and Groundhog games and crafts. A perfect family event. Two and under free.

Bluebird Workshop

Saturday, February 20, 9 am–Noon
Cost: \$7/person in advance
\$10/person at the gate



Did you know winter is the Bluebird "househunting season?" Now is the time to prepare nest boxes for inspection and this Workshop at Owl's Hill will help you do just that. Following a program and discussion, participants inspect different styles of boxes on our Bluebird Trails.

HOME SCHOOL DAY

Animals in Winter
Tues., Jan. 26, 10-11:30 am
Cost: \$7/person in advance
\$10/person at the gate



Prepare for Groundhog Day! Look for groundhog burrows and discuss winter adaptations of plants and animals. Learn to check the weather predictions of our furry friend. In our own kid-sized burrow, enjoy an age appropriate groundhog story. Register as a family or a group. Designed for lower elementary school students. No babies or children under 4, please.

www.owlshill.org/homeschool

Children's Birthday Parties Site Rental



Owl's Hill offers seasonal children's birthday parties throughout the year. We provide activities; you provide food and paper products. The site may also be rented for meetings, receptions, weddings, parties and other events. Parties and Rentals available Monday through Saturday. See www.owlshill.org for details.

Exploratopia!

Spring Break Camp

For Adventurous Naturalists age 5 – 12.
Session One: March 15 – 18, 9 am -1:30 pm
Cost: \$50/day (\$40/day before February 15)
Session Two: April 5 – 8, 9 am – 1:30 pm
Cost: \$50/day (\$40/day before March 5)

Give your children a real break from the classroom! Owl's Hill **Exploratopia!** offers hikes, games, stories, crafts and outdoor playtime centered on the joys of nature. Each day features different hikes and activities; register for one or all. Five year olds must be in kindergarten now. www.owlshill.org/explore10

President's Day Big Tree Hike

Monday, February 15, 1-2:30 pm
Cost: \$7/person in advance, two and under free
\$10/person at the gate

Dress in patriotic colors and participate in a winter hike to our Big Trees – trees that were growing long before George Washington was born!

ST. PATRICK'S DAY GO GREEN HIKE!

Wednesday, March 17, 2010; 4-5:30 pm
Cost: \$7/person in advance, two and under free
\$10/person at the gate

Wear your **green** while we search for **green** on this almost-spring hike. Prizes will be awarded to the person wearing the most **green** and the person wearing the most shades of **green**. We have no shamrocks at Owl's Hill, but we will search for four-leaf clovers and look for other early emerging plants and signs of spring. Fun for the whole family.

SUMMER CAMP 2010!

Owl's Hill offers "summer as it used to be" day camps for **children ages 3 – 15**. Information & registration available at www.owlshill.org/camp10

Private Family Tours

Cost: \$50 for up to 12 people
Additional guests \$8/person
Limited availability; call early to schedule.

Schedule a private tour of Owl's Hill, tailored to the age and interests of your group. All tours include an introduction to our owls. Available during regular business hours only.

Trail Guide Training

January 12, 13, 15, & 15; 9:00 am–2 pm
Bring lunch; plan to attend all sessions.

Fight the blahs of winter while training to share the wonders of the outdoors with the many guests that visit the Sanctuary each year. Requirements? A love of nature, the stamina for moderate hiking and the availability to volunteer during the school year on weekday mornings. owlshill@bellsouth.net. or www.owlshill.org/volunteer
Training also offered in Sept

Not a Trail Guide? You Can Still Help!

Do your schedule or interests not coordinate with the Trail Guide requirements? Owl's Hill has other needs. You like to garden? We need **weekday** help keeping up our gardens. You recycle? Check out *Cans to Cash to Mice* at www.owlshill.org/contribute. You have scrapbook skills? You could sort & save our collection of photos & press releases. Perhaps you have old binoculars you no longer use. All donations to Owl's Hill are tax deductible. Would you like to join the Owl's Hill team? Call and we'll talk!

SPECIES MONITORING PROGRAMS

(Recommended for adults & children 13 and over.)

Assist with these important wildlife census events. Data is sent to national databases to help track migration, diversity and other wildlife population concerns. No experience necessary; trained specialists lead each group. Wear comfortable walking shoes and dress for the weather. Binoculars are helpful. All fees go the national organizations compiling the count data. Register in advance. www.owlshill.org/adultprograms

Butterfly Counts

- Memorial Day Count
Mon., May 17, 10 am-3 pm; \$3/person
- North American Butterfly Association
4th of July Count ,
Sat., July 10, 10 am–3 pm
\$3/person

Bird Counts

- TN Ornithological Society Spring Migratory Bird Count
Time and Date TBA, no fee