

2014

WALKS IN THE WOODS CALENDAR

Saturday, January 18, 11:00 a.m., Philip Asaph at Nassau County Museum of Art at William Cullen Bryant Preserve, Roslyn - Philip judged the Land Alliance's 2013 *The Beauty of the Nature of Long Island* poetry contest. His poetry workshops at NYU, Dowling College, The Walt Whitman Birthplace and other venues have encouraged both advanced and beginning writers. This time, the William Cullen Bryant Preserve's 145 acres will provide inspiration for participants.

Sunday, March 2, 11:00 a.m., Jane Jackson and Sierra Club at Louis C. Clark Sanctuary and James Preserve, Old Brookville - If you've attended our walks in the past you know they don't always move very quickly! This time, meet two of our preserves with the Land Alliance's Stewardship Director Jane Jackson and the Sierra Club, who will collaborate to lead you on a power walk through and around the field, woodlands and wetlands these sites feature. If it snows, bring cross-country skis or snowshoes.

Sunday, April 27, 2:00 p.m., Peter Martin at DeForest Williams and 95 Shore Road (former ExxonMobil property), Cold Spring Harbor - Veteran birder Peter Martin will lead a spring migration program at these two special parcels overlooking the eastern shore of Cold Spring Harbor. You will also learn about the creative protection of DeForest Williams and habitat restoration plans for the 95 Shore Road site.

Saturday, May 10, 9:30 a.m., Yvonne Berger at Red Cote Preserve (aka Pulling Fields), Oyster Bay Cove - Veteran photographer and Land Alliance friend and volunteer Yvonne Berger (of Berger Bros. fame) will lead us through this beautiful property of fields and forest in a search for bugs, flowers and other photo subjects as we learn to look up close through the eyes of a camera lens.

Thursday, June 12, 8:00 p.m., Stella Miller and Jane Jackson at Hope Goddard Iselin Preserve, Upper Brookville - If you've ever heard Huntington-Oyster Bay Audubon Society President Stella Miller call in Eastern Screech Owls, you'll know this program is not to be missed! We'll go for a brief almost-full-moon night hike, too.

Saturday, June 21, 10:00 a.m., Glenn Richard at Flax Pond State Tidal Wetlands, Stony Brook - Glenn, Educational Coordinator for the Mineral Physics Institute at Stony Brook University, will introduce us to the beauty of Flax Pond's tidal wetlands, a Long Island Sound Study stewardship anchor site that is home to colonial waterbirds, fish, mollusks and horseshoe crabs. We will explore the relationship of its plants to the physical environment, that is, how the plants affect the environment, how the environment affects the plants and how the system relates to Long Island Sound and the nearby land areas.

Thursday, July 31, 6:00 p.m., Peter Warny at Upper Francis Pond, Mill Neck - On a hot, summer night there's nothing nicer than being pondside. Join naturalist Peter Warny to find out who's living in the pond.

Saturday, September 6, 10:00 a.m., Don Niddrie, Peter Martin and Stella Miller at Eagle Dock Beach Club and 95 Shore Road, Cold Spring Harbor - Eagle Dock Environmental Education Program Coordinator Don Niddrie will host a Cold Spring Harbor kayak trip co-led by naturalist Peter Martin and Huntington-Oyster Bay Audubon Society President Stella Miller. Learn about the area's wildlife and how protecting open space here preserves the Harbor's quality.

Saturday, October 4, 11:00 a.m., Andy Greller at Cranberry Bog Preserve, Riverhead - Join botanist Andy Greller to explore this magnificent community, complete with carnivorous plants, when it is at its most beguiling.

Sunday, October 12, 10:00 a.m., John Turner at Cordwood Landing County Nature Preserve, Miller Place - This 70-acre hardwood forest is a hidden gem steeped in history. Naturalist and Land Alliance Advisory Board Member John Turner will lead us on a tour of its unusual plants and cliffs above Long Island Sound during the fall migration. And we'll learn how the property got its name.

Sunday, November 23, 11:00 a.m., Richard Weir at Cordelia Hepburn Cushman Preserve, Oyster Bay Cove - Long Island's trees bear leaves for just over half the year. If you're interested in knowing how to identify tree species the rest of the time, join plant expert and Land Alliance Advisory Board Member Richard Weir for this enlightening program.

All walks are free to the public.

Space is limited; registration is required. To register and for directions please contact Jane Jackson at 516.626.0908 or via email at jjackson@northshorelandalliance.org.



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