



ABOUT OUR WALKS IN THE WOODS PROGRAM

Education is a core part of the North Shore Land Alliance's mission and is integral to helping community members understand the benefits associated with the preservation of Long Island's land and waters and the important role land conservation plays in ensuring a healthy quality of life.

The Land Alliance *Walks in the Woods* program is a series of free educational and interactive explorations through Long Island parks and nature preserves, many of which are off the beaten path.

Since 2007, the *Walks in the Woods* program has educated nearly 2,000 visitors of all ages about the wildlife and plants that call these natural areas home. Participants have also gained an understanding and appreciation of local land conservation and its benefits to our food and water supplies and wildlife habitats and its connection to the strength and health of our communities.

To learn more about the North Shore Land Alliance education programs, please visit us at www.northshorelandalliance.org or contact us at 516-626-0908.

2016 EVENTS SAVE THE DATES!

Saturday, February 27th
The Heritage Committee
Winter Paddle Tennis Benefit
Piping Rock Club, Locust Valley

Wednesday, March 16th
New York Lecture
featuring keynote by Parker Liautaud
Explorers Club, New York

Monday, May 23rd
Fore the Love of the Land
Golf and Tennis Outing
Piping Rock Club, Locust Valley

Wednesday, June 8th
The Heritage Committee
An Evening in the Garden
Jefferson Market Garden, New York

Saturday, June 18th
Open Space Society Dinner
Private home, Oyster Bay Cove

Saturday, September 24th
Wine Auction & Dinner
Groton Place, Old Westbury

Saturday, November 5th
Annual Members Meeting
Location to be announced

For more information about these events or to sponsor an event, please contact Nina Muller at 516-626-0908 or send an email to nina@northshorelandalliance.org.

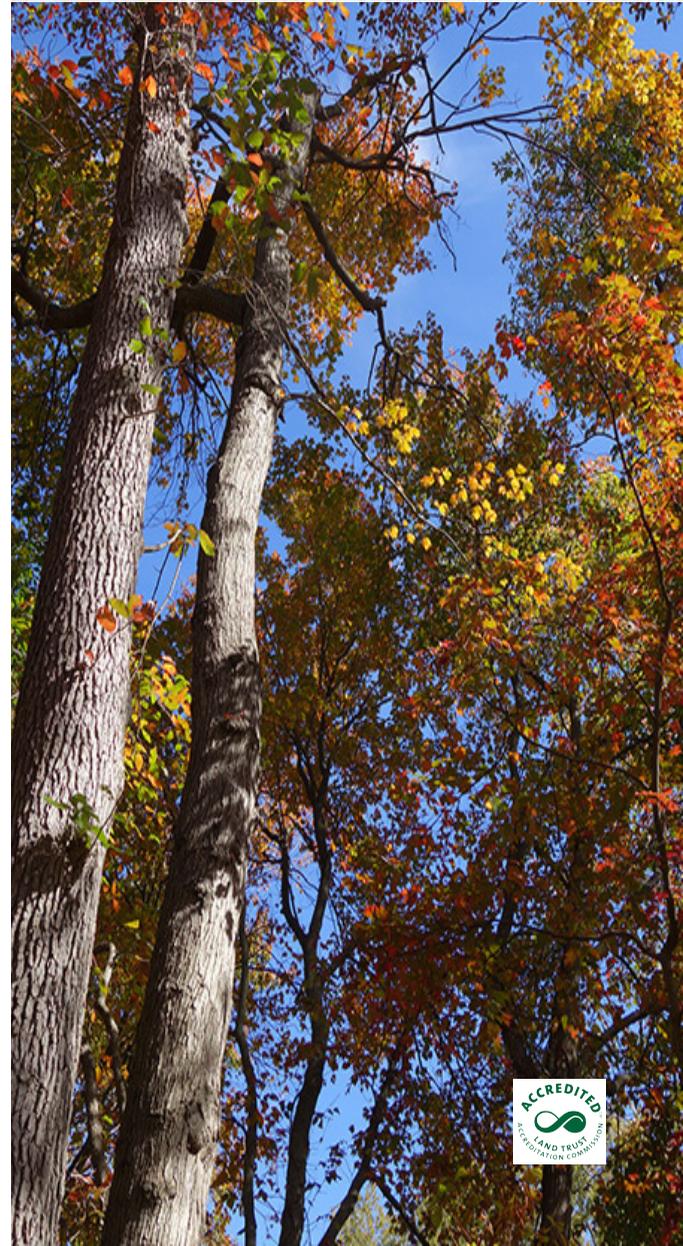
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Sunday, February 7, 11:00 a.m. - Jane Jackson, James Preserve and Clark Sanctuary, Old Brookville - Meet two of our preserves with the Land Alliance's Stewardship Director Jane Jackson and the Sierra Club, who will collaborate to lead you on a brisk walk through and around the field, woodlands and wetlands these sites feature. If it snows, bring cross-country skis or snowshoes.

Saturday, March 19, 10:00 a.m. - Dan Kriesberg, Fox Hollow Preserve, Laurel Hollow - Dan will lead a group on a family friendly investigation into what Fox Hollow's animal residents are up to in early spring.

Saturday, April 16, 10:00 a.m. - Andy Greller and Rich Kelly, Caleb Smith State Park, Smithtown - Be on the lookout for early spring flowers, evergreen trees and understory plants at this lovely 543-acre State preserve.

Saturday, April 30, 10:00 a.m. - Lois Lindberg, Shu Swamp and Humes property, Mill Neck - Join us as winter turns into spring in a search for skunk cabbage and spring ephemeral plants. We will make our way from Shu Swamp to the newly acquired Humes property. Together with the Francis Pond conservation area these parcels form a 150-acre corridor of protected land in the Beaver Brook watershed.

Saturday, May 7, 2:00 p.m. - Peter Martin, Gerry Park and Bar Beach Shore Trail, Roslyn - Peter's been visiting the duck pond at Gerry Park since he was a wee lad. This walk will have particular appeal to children. We will follow our visit with waterfowl with a hike along the recently established shore trail along the west side of Hempstead Harbor.

Thursday, June 2, 6:00 p.m. - Eric Swenson and Tom Powell, Cedarmere and, if time allows, William Cullen Bryant Preserve, Roslyn - Eric and Tom will recreate a hike that William Cullen Bryant himself would have taken. We will walk the path around Bryant's pond and visit his garden area and some interesting trees on the property. Bryant walked three miles to work each day in New York City, and would appreciate people today following in his footsteps!



Saturday, June 18, 6:00 p.m. - John Turner, Dwarf Pine Plains, Westhampton, co-listed with Seatuck Environmental Association - If you don't already know, learn what a goat-sucker is. And even if you do, you'll love this evening observation of birds that are active after dark. (We'll get there early enough for some birding in daylight, too.)

Saturday, July 16, 1:00 p.m. - Suzanne Ruggles at her home, Westhampton - Suzanne, also known as the Barefoot Gardener, has been researching in her own garden the way native plants make their own way back into sites where invasive plants have been removed. During this walk she will share her observations.

Sunday, August 14, 8:30 a.m. - Ken and Sue Feustel at Caumsett State Park, Lloyd Neck - Ken and Sue discovered a colony of Baltimore Checkerspot butterflies at Caumsett in 2009, a discovery that, in part, ultimately led to the grassland restoration project now underway. Explore the butterfly species that inhabit the various habitats of the Park and learn about the restoration.

Saturday, September 10, 5:00 p.m. - Philip Asaph, Shore Road Sanctuary (aka former ExxonMobil property), Cold Spring Harbor - Late summer is a delightful time to take in the grassland and beach where oil tanks used to occupy the scenery. Poet Philip will guide us in putting inspiration into words.

Saturday, October 15, 10:00 a.m. - John Turner, Fort Totten, Queens - What better way to experience the fall migration than under John Turner's astute and entertaining guidance?

Sunday, October 30, 11:00 a.m. - Richard Weir, Red Cote Preserve, Oyster Bay Cove - Richard will lead us through this preserve of rolling meadows and now a delightful new woodland trail in glorious autumn.

Saturday, November 19, 10:00 a.m. - North Shore Land Alliance and the Sierra Club, multiple properties in Laurel Hollow and Oyster Bay Cove - This hike will be a lengthy one through several protected properties, beginning at the Land Alliance's Fox Hollow Preserve in Laurel Hollow and finishing at Tiffany Creek Preserve in Oyster Bay Cove. This will be a wonderful opportunity to cover a lot of ground and experience the true flavor of undulating North Shore field and forest.

Registration is required as space is limited on many of the walks.

To register, please visit us online at www.northshorelandalliance.org.

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