

## **FALL 2009 Outreach Programs**

### ***Preschoolers:***

#### **Preschoolers and Their Grownups:**

**Yearlings on the Moon:** Bring your young preschooler to the Harris Center for an early evening of moon gazing! We'll play games, sing songs, and hear stories about the moon. Discover if the moon is really made out of green cheese and find out who the man on the moon really is. Perfect for young curious preschoolers and their grownups.

Date: Wednesday, November 4

Time: 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

For preschoolers and their grownups

Free

#### **Small Wonders Club:**

Calling all 4 through 6 year olds, who LOVE nature! Join us for six afternoons of guided nature explorations around the lovely Harris Center grounds. Topics will be seasonally-based and filled with song, art and play as children investigate and celebrate nature's autumn offerings of such things as butterflies, seeds, trees and chipmunks.

Dates: Tuesdays, September 29, October 6, 13, 20, 27 and November 3

Time: 1 to 3 p.m.

Ages: 4-year-olds through 6-year-olds

Cost: \$60 members / \$80 non-members

Limited space available. To sign up, call 603-525-3394.

### ***For Elementary School Children:***

#### **Forts, Shelters and Shanties Club:**

Build it, live it and love it! If you love building forts and want to find out how to build different forts, shelters and even shanties, here's your chance! Adventure awaits you in this afterschool club, as you create and build a wide range of different styles of outdoor and even a few indoor forts. Also included will be activities on tying knots, building safe fires, and constructing wild tools.

The bus will drop HES students off at the Harris Center.

Dates: Wednesdays, October 7, 14, 21, 28, and November 4

Time: 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Grades: 1st through 4th grade

Cost: \$50 members / \$70 non-members

Limited space available. To sign up, call 603-525-3394.



*Eric Aldrich photo*

## ***Family Program:***

### **Know Your Nature Night Full Moon Amble:**

Join a Harris Center Naturalist for a full moon walk and wake up your senses to the natural world. Find out who howls, hoots, and squeaks in the moon's silvery glow. Give yourself and your family a night out to rove and ramble the woodlands, fields and wetlands of the Harris Center with a naturalist guide. Programs starts at 7 p.m. at the Harris Center. Dress for the weather and bring your sense of adventure. Free!

Date: October 6

Time: 7 p.m.

All Ages

Free



## **Environmental Studies Institute**

The Harris Center's Environmental Studies Institute provides opportunities for adults to learn about the Monadnock Region's natural history, connect to the outdoors and engage in meaningful discussion about the environment.

### **Mushrooms with Rick Van de Poll:**

**Thursdays, September 10, 17, Oct. 1, 8  
8:30 to 11 a.m.**

Join Rick Van de Poll in discovering the fascinating world of mycology, from Amanita to Xylaria. With late-summer rot in full swing, we'll have plenty of field time finding mushrooms.

Rick is one of New Hampshire's top mycologists, founder and principal of Ecosystem Management Consultants, based in Sandwich, and an adjunct instructor at both Antioch University New England and Plymouth State University. He holds a Ph.D. in natural resource management and is founder and director of the Sandwich Area Mushroom Club.

**Cost:** \$25 members / \$35 non-members. Space is limited.

### **Art Inspiration from Our Environment:**

**Wednesdays, October 7, 14, 21, and 28  
1 to 2:30 p.m.**

Join local artists Kim Webster Cunningham, Sue Callihan, Heidi Chester & photographer Eric Aldrich for weekly presentations of their art and methods. Explore nature's role in art, while trying some techniques for inspiration through creative exercises and discover the natural artist in yourself!

**Cost:** \$25 members / \$35 non-members. Space is limited.

**Call 603-525-3394 to register for both courses.**