

Looking Beyond the Landscape

Interested in learning more about regional invasive species and the importance of planting native?

GTCD's Invasive Species Network is looking to schedule the 'Looking Beyond the Landscape' presentation over the winter to clubs or groups. This 30 minute presentation will touch on the impacts of our choices on our natural world. Learn about the importance of planting native species, the results of invasive species surveys in area parklands, and how you can make a difference. Your group will leave inspired to make simple choices to protect our precious natural resources. The number of presentations is limited so call Matthew or Robin at 231.941.0960 today to schedule your group!

Get Your Kids Engaged In Nature!

Peepers



Tuesdays from 10-11:30 a.m.
Ages 3-5 // \$5 per child per session
The 2012 spring season of our popular Peepers preschool program is back in session January 10! This fun and educational program is designed to foster the exploration of nature, as children explore seasonal nature themes. Each morning will include indoor and outdoor activities, so dress for the weather! No pre-registration required and drop-ins are always welcome. *Purchase a Season Pass and receive 2 FREE sessions!*

Naturally Wild Birthday Parties!



\$85 // 2 hour program // Up to 12 kids
Host your child's next birthday party at the Boardman River Nature Center and the birthday boy or girl can choose from a list of nature-themed birthday parties—or create their own! All parties include crafts, a hike, and educational activities. Call 231.941.0960 to book your party today!

Nature is calling...

Pick up with our Community Stewardship Series!

January Programs



Thank You!

Volunteers

Thompson Surgical Instruments
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Boardman River Nature Center
1450 Cass Rd // Traverse City, 49685
(Just 3 miles south of downtown Traverse City)
Hours: Tuesday - Saturday 10a.m. - 4p.m.

January

Programs

With the Grand Traverse
Conservation District

Snowbird Bingo

January 7, 10-4 p.m. // All ages welcome
Boardman River Nature Center
Ever notice how many birds (and people!) fly south for the winter? Well, not all do, so be sure to stop by the Boardman River Nature Center to pick up a Bird Hike Bingo piece! Try to get a BINGO as you mark off all of the birds that spend their winters in Northern Michigan that you see along the trails. Be sure to bring your card back to the Nature Center for a prize!
\$5 suggested donation.



Snowshoe Hike and Winter Wildlife with the Grand Traverse Audubon Club

Saturday, January 14, 10-11:30 a.m.
All ages welcome // Meet at BRNC
Join the GT Audubon Club for a romp around the Natural Education Reserve in your snowshoes, **searching for Michigan's winter wildlife. No snowshoes? No problem!** Our friends at Brick Wheels will provide you with snowshoes at ½ price if you rent snowshoes for this program.

The GTCD's Community Stewardship Series is sponsored in part by the Oleson Foundation.

Rocky Mountain High

with the Grand Traverse Hiking Club

Tuesday, January 17, 7-8 p.m.
Recommended for adults // BRNC
Cross-country skiing in Yellowstone in the winter. Whitewater rafting the River of No Return. Ten days of hiking in the jagged Sawtooth Wilderness of Idaho. Join the GT Hiking Club at the Boardman River Nature Center to learn about all of these adventures that are sure to have you yearning for a visit to the mountains. \$5 suggested donation.

Forestry in Northern Michigan

January 21, 1-2 p.m.
Recommended for adults // BRNC
Ever wonder what foresters do or how they can assist you with managing property? Join a Northern Michigan forester for a presentation on what forestry is, what foresters do, the types of cuts that can be performed on wooded lots, and what private landowners can do with their own property. \$5 suggested donation.

Bird ID Challenge with GT Audubon Club

Thursday, January 26, 7-8 p.m.
Recommended for adults // BRNC
Join the GT Audubon Club as they test your **knowledge on identifying Michigan birds! You'll be quizzed by looking at photos and listening to various bird calls...Are you ready for the challenge?!**

The Wonders of Raptors

January 28, 1-2 p.m. // All ages welcome
Boardman River Nature Center
Join Rebecca Lessard and Wings of Wonder at the Boardman River Nature Center for a live raptor **experience you won't forget. You will learn fun and interesting facts about raptors and meet some of the Wings of Wonder ambassador raptors.** There will be a hands-on display table set up with raptor wings, feathers, feet, and pellets to investigate, as well as unique Wings of Wonder merchandise. Don't forget your camera and be sure to arrive early for the best seat!
Registration is required: please call 231-941-0960 or stop by the Boardman River Nature Center to reserve your spot!
Program fees are: \$6 for adults and \$4 for children. Children under 2 years old are free. *You must register by Wednesday, January 25 to save your seats. Participants are encouraged to arrive early.*

