

## SUNY-ESF | Adirondack Interpretive Center

### Program Calendar January 2012

#### **Northern NY Audubon Bird Walk** Saturday, January 7, 10am-12pm

Observe the birds at the feeders, which may include redpolls, evening grosbeaks, chickadees, nuthatches and more, then head out to the Sucker Brook. This 1.0-mile trail runs along the outlet to Rich Lake providing opportunities to glimpse mink and otter in the open water and the surrounding hardwood forest is a great place to spot woodpeckers. Call 518.582.2000 to register or email Charlotte at [cdemers@frontiernet.net](mailto:cdemers@frontiernet.net)

#### **Full Moon Ski and Snowshoe Chili Party!** Saturday, January 7, 6pm

The AIC has opened its trails for night skiing/snowshoeing. Bring the whole family down for a hearty chili dinner at 6, moonlit skiing/snowshoeing on our 3.6 miles of trails at 7, followed by fireside hot chocolate and toasted marshmallows at 8! Luna-tic parties will also be held on February 4 and March 10. \$5/person. Program will run snow or no snow! Snowshoes available. Call or email to register.

#### **Guided Nature Walk with guest naturalist Peter O'Shea** Sunday, January 8, 1-3pm

Join Peter O'Shea on a nature walk to look for signs of how the forest and its inhabitants survive the winter. Snowshoes available. Call or email to register.

#### **The Leopold Legacy** Saturday, January 21, 9am-5pm

Join us for a celebration of the life of legendary conservationist Aldo Leopold!

Participants can choose from one or all of the day's activities:

**9 am-Sit with Aldo: Leopold Bench Building Workshop** Participants enjoy a hands-on workshop building the iconic Leopold bench, supplemented by historical interpretive content. Registration fee includes building materials; tools will be provided.

**10:30 am-A Coffeehouse Conversation: Reading of A Sand County Almanac** Leopold's beloved book is as much a beautiful piece of writing as it is a foundation for the modern conservation ethic. Participants enjoy light refreshments while listening to select passages.

**11:15 am-Bench-Building Workshop** continues.

**12:30 pm-Lunch break** Participants should bring their own or enjoy lunch at the diner in Newcomb.

**1:30 pm-Showing of Green Fire** Thanks to the Leopold Foundation, participants enjoy a screening of this remarkable film.

**2:30 pm-Catching Fire: A Panel discussion of Green Fire, Leopold and His Legacy** Following the film there will be a conversation examining Leopold's life and the diverse and often complex ways in which his legacy has become part of the modern conservation movement.

**Panelists include: Dave Gibson**, a partner in the non-profit Adirondack Wild: Friends of the Forest Preserve. Gibson's work applies Leopold's legacy to the modern environmental and conservation movement, **Lisa Eddy**, a progressive educator, who has developed exemplary programs integrating Leopold's philosophies into her curriculum, **Marianne Patinelli-Dubay**, an environmental philosopher introducing critical perspectives on Leopold's ethic and its cultural impact.

**4 pm-Coffeehouse Reading** Readings of select passages from *A Sand County Almanac*. Light refreshments will be served. Don't miss this event! Call or email to register.

#### **Tracks and Traces: Wildlife Tracking for Kids** Saturday, January 28, 10am-12pm

Kids of all ages are invited to don snowshoes and hit the trails on a guided hike to search for tracks, scat, dens and other signs of Adirondack wildlife! Followed by a fireside chat with toasted marshmallows.

Please dress appropriately for the weather! Call or email to register.

#### [Save the Date](#)

**February 4—Full Moon Ski and Snowshoe Chili Party!**

**February 25 & 26—First Annual Rich Lake Ice Fishing Derby** For the first time in Huntington Wildlife Forest history, we are opening Rich Lake for public ice fishing! We are excited to host a two-day derby. Help us learn about fish in winter, and the populations in Rich Lake while enjoying the beauty of the Adirondacks and competing for the trophy for largest fish.

**Building open 10:00am-4:00pm Tuesday through Saturday.  
Trails open dawn to dusk every day.**

**Please pre-register to all programs unless stated otherwise.  
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