



Laurier Woods is a buzz with activities in the summer. Come join the fun!

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King George Earth Club Fundraiser - Update

In our Spring Bulletin we announced that King George's Earth Club hoped to raise \$1000 to steward an acre in Laurier Woods. As part of their fund-raising, they hosted a family-friendly dance party on May 14th. Their party was a resounding success and they raised over \$3,000!! They have decided to steward 2 acres and support a bench placed at the main pond. Above they are seen on a tour in Laurier Woods with teacher Pia Edmonds and President Fred Pinto. The Friends congratulate the students for their enthusiasm and overwhelming dedication to supporting the environment.

More Helpers: Thanks to the Community Living volunteers who are helping to maintain our trails. Bravo!



Monthly Themed Walks in the Woods

What could be nicer than a walk in the woods guided by an expert?
For the second year in a row we will be conducting themed walks the first Saturday of every month, June through December. Get your walking shoes on and join local experts.

June 4 th 10 am- noon	Topic: Lady slippers Guide: Maxine Lefebvre
July 2 nd 10 am- noon	Topic: Plants/shrubs in Laurier Woods Guide: Lori Beckerton
August 6 th 10 am- noon	Topic: Wetlands/family nature scavenger hunt Guide: Valerie Vaillancourt
Sept 3 rd 6.30pm – 8.00 pm	Topic: Bats in Laurier Woods CA. Guide: Rebecca Geauvreau
October 1 st 10 am- noon	Topic: Make natural cordage from wild fibers, Guide: Jeremy St.Onge
November 5 th 10 am- noon	TBA
December 3 rd 10 am- noon	TBA

Louise de Kiriline Lawrence Nature Festival– August 20, 2016

For the 3rd year the Friends are pleased to host the Nature Festival, organized by the Nipissing Naturalists. **The Woods will come alive with professional and amateur naturalists who will explore the hidden worlds of forests and wetlands. This year activities will include rocks and minerals, bear awareness, bats, bird house building and many other nature topics for young and old. Stay tuned for information and details on this year’s festival.** www.naturefestival.jimdo.com.

Trail Improvement Updates

- The Yellow Trail has been renamed the Ron Slater Trail in appreciation for the extensive volunteer trail improvements and maintenance made by Mr. Ron Slater.
- A work day was held by the CA and volunteers brushing all trails and boardwalks with extra emphasis on more clearly marking and defining the Fuchsia Trail (on our new property).
- Plans are underway to build a new boardwalk to the Purple Trail. This will replace the one that washout last year. We hope to have this in place by July.

“BEE” AWARE !

Coming soon! This Bee Hotel, built by the summer field crew at NBMCA, will soon provide a home in Laurier Woods Conservation Area for solitary bees, like the Mason Bee and the Leaf Cutter Bee. Of the 20,000 bee species globally, about 250 are bumblebees, 4 are honeybees and the other 19,000 plus are solitary bees. These bees live alone, not in hives. They don’t make honey and are much less likely to sting. All bees, including solitary bees, play an important part in pollinating flowering plants and trees, and have proven that all bees, not just honeybees are important for our ecosystem.

