

Notes from Evergreen



Quarterly Update

- **Annual Evergreen Plant Expo Scheduled for May 19th**
- **EHC Announces Free Flash Camp for Parents and Children**
- **Art and Garden Workshops Now Available**
- **Summer Discovery Camps Open for Registration**

EHC Announces 2019 Spring Events!

The EHC Foundation is pleased to announce a series of events for spring and summer 2019:

- **Meet the Barn at Evergreen! (Thursday April 25th 3-5 pm).** If you are considering hosting a wedding or event, come tour the newly restored 200-year-old Evergreen Barn. This gorgeous rustic building features dimmable strings of Edison lights, hand-made cherry wood tables, a large dance floor, seating for 200 people, and ample parking. Call (301-687-0664) or email us at janicekeene@evergreenheritagecenter.org if you would like to attend.
- **Spring Art Workshop (Sunday May 5th 1-4 pm).** Join Maggie Pratt for a workshop on *Automatic Drawing and Painting*. See this newsletter or our website for more detail.
- **Native Plant Festival @ New Germany State Park (Saturday May 11th 10-3 pm).** Hosted by the Maryland Native Plant Society and featuring programs and activities, plants for sale, and local experts to answer questions.
- **Annual Evergreen Plant Expo (Sunday May 19th 1-4 pm).** Featuring vendor displays and demonstrations, hands-on activities for all ages, plants/herbs/natural products for sale, food, music, raffles, and tours of the EHC grounds and gardens. Free admission. See this newsletter or our web site for more detail on advance plant sales.
- **Flash Camp! (Sunday June 9th 1-3 pm).** This new event for parents and their children is free and open to the public. See this newsletter or visit our website for more details. www.evergreenheritagecenter.org.
- **Summer Discovery Camps (Monday June 24 to Friday July 26).** See this newsletter or our website for more detail. Scholarships are available. www.evergreenheritagecenter.org.
- **Garden Workshops: Gardening 101 (Sunday June 23rd 1-2:30 pm) and Native Plants 101 (Sunday July 28th 1-2:30).** \$15/workshop applied to plant purchases. See this newsletter for more detail.

Order Your Native Plants Now!

Spring is now upon us and it's time to order native plants. You may place your orders now for plants that may be picked up at our annual **Evergreen Plant Expo on Sunday May 19th** or at another pre-arranged time of your convenience. An order form is enclosed at the end of this newsletter or available online at our website www.evergreenheritagecenter.org. You may also call **301-697-0664** to place an order.



Photo: 2018 Evergreen Plant Expo

Flash Camp!

What is Flash Camp? Join us on **Sunday June 9th from 1-3 pm** for this **free event** for parents and their children where everyone can participate in two hours of fun hands-on art, science, and grow it/cook it camp activities. All participants will have the opportunity to join in a variety of our camp experiences including:

- **Eco-Printing:** creating works of art using elements from the Evergreen woods, fields, and streams and then taking them home as a souvenir of your experience
- **Build a Bird's Nest:** building a nest that can be used in your own back yard
- **Pond Exploration:** collecting "creatures" from the Evergreen pond and then examining them under a microscope
- **Recycle Rewards:** using recyclable materials to create new treasures such as art work and wallets
- **Garden Discovery:** exploring the EHC's gardens and participating in a scavenger hunt
- **Pickle Party:** learning how to make pickles from the garden's cucumbers

This event is open to the public at no charge, but for us to plan for needed supplies, we ask you to register by calling 301-687-0664, emailing janicekeene@evergreenheritagecenter.org, or visiting our web site at www.evergreenheritagecenter.org/event/evergreen-flash-camp/.

Photo: Participating in a Pickling Party



Summer Discovery Camps!

Join us this summer in one or more of our summer discovery camps (and bring a friend). We have **new activities and experiments every summer**. Camp fees are \$150/week for Art, Science, or Grow It/Cook It. The fee for Young Naturalists Camp is \$100. We also have **scholarships available** (courtesy of the Wolfe Trust) for children qualifying for USDA's Free and Reduced Meal program.

This summer's camp schedule is as follows:

Arts in the Outdoors (June 24-29, 9-3 pm): This camp for children entering grades 3-7 enables campers to explore their own creativity with nature as the theme. Campers will draw, painting, used mixed media, do printmaking, paper making, sculpture, and writing, while finding inspiration in the great outdoors and learning about the work of environmental writers and artists.

Science Discovery (July 8-12, 9-3 pm): This camp for children entering grades 3-7 encourages campers to explore EHC forests, fields, and wetlands by using cool science tools to learn about plants and animals and the world we live in. Campers conduct real science experiments, learn how to live green, and participate in fun science challenges.

Young Naturalists (July 15-19, 9-1 pm): This camp for children entering grades 1-3 provides campers with the opportunity to uncover the secrets of mini-beasts, plants with armor, and stealth camouflage in Evergreen's lush backyard habitats. This half-day camp for our youngest group of campers includes hands-on close encounters with wildlife and science.

Grow It, Cook It (July 22-16, 9-3 pm): This camp for children entering grades 3-7 provides campers with the opportunity to start seeds and harvest fruits and veggies from EHC gardens, greenhouses, and orchards. Campers will learn where our food comes from, how it grows, and then makes the journey from farm to table as they investigate garden secrets, experiment with plants, and prepare simple delicious snacks from our farm.

For more information or to register, visit our web site at www.evergreenheritagecenter.org, call 301-687-0664, or email janiekeene@evergreenheritagecenter.org.



Photo: Campers Collecting Soil Samples

Art Workshops!

Join us in a series of *CANT (CanAttemptNewThings)* ARTS workshops, developed by Evergreen's Art Director, Maggie Pratt. Participants will be guided in the use of a variety of media and creative, intuitive processes to develop their own unique artistic method.

The first session in this new series is **Automatic Drawing and Painting on Sunday May 5th from 1-4 pm**. Learn to use the meditative technique of automatic drawing in several media to evolve unique mark making into a personal painting. No prior drawing or painting experience is required, and all supplies are provided as part of the \$40 workshop fee. To register, call 301-801-1475, or email artsofevergreen@gmail.com.



Photo: Evergreen Art Workshop

Garden Workshops!

Join us for our new spring/summer garden workshops. These 90-minute workshops are offered for a registration fee of \$15 that can be applied toward the purchase of EHC plants and herbs.

Gardening 101 (Sunday, June 23rd 1-2:30 pm) - Learn about the basics of backyard gardening, including site selection, soil tests and amendments, choosing plants and varieties, pros and cons of raised bed gardening. Go home with a vegetable plant seedling of your choice.

Native Plants 101 (Sunday July 28th 1-2:30 pm) - Learn about native plants common to this area and how to propagate them, including seed stratification and scarification. Also, learn about the benefits of adding native plants to your garden/landscape and the environmental, ecological and medicinal benefits of various plants. Go home with a native plant.

To register, call 301-687-0664, email janicekeene@evergreenheritagecenter.org or visit our website at <https://evergreenheritagecenter.org/workshops/>.

We Host Events!

With the completion of the renovation of the historic Evergreen Barn, Evergreen Heritage Center announces the availability of our facility to accommodate your wedding, event, or meetings of **up to 200 people**. Nestled in the Mountains of Western Maryland, Evergreen provides a scenic setting for your special occasion. At over 2500 square feet on the main level of the Evergreen Barn, as well as other areas on the picturesque grounds available for use, Evergreen is a unique and peaceful setting for your private event. Other charming spots at Evergreen include the main pavilion which accommodates up to **75** and the picturesque pond and its wooden dock. Our green facility provides the picture-perfect location to host a variety of occasions. Let us assist in planning your next function.

For more information, contact 301-687-0664 or janicekeene@evergreenheritagecenter.org.



Photo: The Evergreen Pond

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