

RAVENSBEARD WILDLIFE CENTER

Nature Camp 2011

Welcome friends to an adventure in the wild. We are excited to continue in our third year as a full spectrum nature and wildlife day camp. We combine our experience and skills with a focus on exploring our natural environment. Our goal is to provide exploration through genuine experience where our children can expand their understanding, respect and intimately connect with all living things. At the same time they will be learning basic skills, which increase not only their self-confidence but also their ability to interact with this web of life with love and compassion.

Projects and activities selected but not limited to:

Wildlife Rehabilitation	Swimming
Pond, Stream & River study	Animal communication
Creating a backyard sanctuary	Native American study
Tinctures & salves	Hudson Valley habitat study
Bird watching/language	Attracting backyard birds
Wildlife behavior	Identify wild edibles & medicinal plants

What to bring:

Weather appropriate clothing	Healthy lunch plus a snack
Boots, a hat (optional)	Water bottle
Swimsuit and towel	Small drawing journal
Change of clothes	Colored pencils
Sunscreen and bug repellent	And, if you have them, binoculars

Locations:

Ellen's house, Saugerties The Knight Tower Falconry Show, Round Top
 Hudson River Park Nature Conservancy Esopus Creek Ashokan Reservoir
 Ulster Landing Park Forsyth Nature Center The Big Deep

Drop off and Pick-up:

Each day's location will begin at Ellen's house (Turkey Point) Saugerties subject to change. We will on occasion, have an opportunity to explore a new region or take a field trip. We may in advance, coordinate a drop off spot to make it more convenient for parents with a carpool. However, please check Ellen's machine, 845.336.6193, in the mornings by 8 am for any changes or updates. Cell Phone 845.901.0633

Pick up may be at the location of the day. It is important that each family or carpool make a concerted effort to be at the drop off point on time, the opening circle will set the tone and provide direction for the day. Likewise, it is important that the end of the day transition also goes smoothly. Parents can support this process by being ready to receive their children (and other members of their carpool).

We are always happy to talk with you about the program and your children. Please feel free to speak with us about any concerns, problems or questions that arise.

Parent helpers may be needed for transportation on occasion, so we will ask for volunteers in advance.

Attendance:

It is important that each child attend each session that they have signed up for. The material we are presenting is both experiential and cumulative. Every member is an integral part of the group. Children will often be working in specific groupings, so any absence affects not only the individual, but also the children with whom they are associated. We of course realize that sometimes absences are unavoidable, particularly in the case of illness. In this event, please do your best to give us as much advance notice as possible. This will help us in reworking groups and shifting activities for the day.

Ravensbeard Summer Program

Registration Form - Summer 2011

Ages 7 - 14

Maximum number of students 12

Program Dates: (Monday - Friday 9:30 - 4:00)

June 27-July 1, July 4-8

(Please circle the weeks you will attend)

Tuition - Weekly rate \$ 275.00 \$ _____

(Discount for siblings; 30%) \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Children's Names _____ Ages _____

Address _____

_____ Phone # _____ E-mail _____

Parent's names _____

(please return registration form plus pages 4 & 5)

Payment for the program should be sent in full with your registration.

Make checks payable to:

Ravensbeard Wildlife Center, Inc.
75 Turkey Point
Saugerties, NY 12477

FAMILY INFORMATION

*Child's Name _____

Phone # _____ Age _____ Birthdate _____

Parent's Name _____

Address _____

Work phone # _____ E-mail _____

Who to notify in case of emergency _____

Relationship _____ Phone # _____

Emergency contact #2 _____

Doctor's name and phone # _____

Any medications or special needs _____

Allergies, dietary restrictions _____

Other helpful information in regard to family, pets, unusual circumstances
or emotional sensitivities _____

____ Yes, I give permission for homeopathy, acupressure or energy work

____ No, I prefer a phone call before any decisions are made

*Please use 1 copy for each child

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY - (Please read and sign)

I, the undersigned, am the parent or legal guardian of _____, a minor. I hereby certify that I have the right to sign on the minor's behalf.

I understand that the activities the child will be participating in are physical activities in and outdoors, and that injuries may occur. In consideration of the child's participation, I hereby agree to assume the sole risk and responsibility for any and all injuries, damages or losses of any kind.

I agree to waive any and all claims, lawsuits or causes of action that the child or I may have against its instructors, participants and the parents or legal guardians of other participating children. I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless Ravensbeard Wildlife Center's Summer Camp from any claims, lawsuits or actions that may arise during these days at camp.

Additionally, I hereby state that the child does not suffer from any physical and/or mental conditions which should preclude participation in program activities and that neither I nor the child has been advised by any medical representative against the child participating in activities of this type and/or nature.

This agreement is applicable and binding upon my successors, heirs and assigns. I certify by my signature that I have read and understand this agreement in its entirety.

Signature _____ Date _____