

2013 CHF EVENTS

Jan 5th, Saturday. 9 am – 5 pm. Native Sweat Lodge. 10 adults. Led by Roderick Harris.

February 22th, Friday. 12 – 3 pm. Komachin Middle School 5th Grade Science Class doing Water Quality Testing/monitoring of Spurgeon Creek. 15 Students lead by Class Teacher.

Feb 25th, Saturday. 9 am – 5 pm. Native Sweat Lodge. 10 adults. Led by Roderick Harris.

Thursday mornings January/Feb/March. 10 AM – 2 pm. @ Evergreen Student Interns Cory Frye and Patrick Hall working on Native Plant ID in new Wetland Mitigation area, Interpretive Sign design and construction, Propagation of native plant seeds/cuttings in Start House, Edible Forest Garden planting/pruning/soil prep, Non Profit research.

March 10th, Saturday 10 – 2pm. Stream Team Wetland Mitigation Planting. 30+ adults ages 16 – 60. Planted 300 shrubs and 500 emergent sedges and rushes in wetland swale. Planked pedestrian bridge over wetland swale, set two 20' long log stringers for 2nd bridge.

March 15th, Friday. 10 Am -3 PM. Komachin Middle School Day of Caring. 50 students. 3 Stream Team employees. South Sound Green AnnMills and two others. CHF 2 Evergreen State College Student Interns. Habitat Restoration hands on learning, Edible Forest Garden and Sustainable Gardening practices involvement.

March 24th, Saturday. Native Sweat Lodge. 9AM start fire. 12 noon door time.

April 14th, Saturday, YMCA Olympia/Stream Team Students for Government Youth Day, 100 youth from 10 AM – 12 PM visit farm to tour and lend a hand in Gardens/Greenhouse/Restoration areas cutting Blackberry and mulching, black matting around new shrubs, Wetland Mitigation Area planting emergents and other Wetland Shrubs, rescue new plantings along Spurgeon Creek by removing fallen tree limbs from winter snow storm, build final wooden pedestrian trail bridge across pond outlet using down trees and pile limbs.

April/May/June. Every Friday. 10AM – 1PM. Evergreen Intern, Pat Hall and volunteer Cory Frye focus on the planning, design and construction of Interpretive Signage for native wetland plant species in Wetland Mitigation Area and Bulliten Board (4' x 8') describing activities at CHF.

April 21st, Spring Cleaning and Ceremonial rebuilding of Sweat Lodge. All day and evening sweat.

May 4th,5th,6th. Council Retreat. 20+ adults. Studio Rental.

May 12th, Native Sweat Lodge, 9AM fire tenders, Noon door time. 10 adults.

June 16, Native Sweat Lodge, 9am fire tenders, Noon door time. 15 adults.

June 16th, Stream Team, 930 AM – 3PM. 60 total with 6-8 adult leaders. Two volunteer groups, Komachin Middle School and Timberline High School Students.

www.streamteam.info

www.facebook.com/ThurstonStreamTeam

Concentration on removing invasive Reed Canary grass and blackberry along Spurgeon Creek in two different locations, deep mulching, and wire fence removal along creek to allow deer and other wildlife to traverse along riparian area on across creek. Removal of over 100 plastic tree protectors from 2007 plantings of native trees and shrubs which have out grown there usefulness and able to survive without them.

June 17th. CIC Summer Celebration. (Community for Interfaith Celebration)

<http://www.oly-wa.us/cic/wavelinks.pdf>. 60+ adults and children. 430 pm. Outdoor celebration to bring on the summer. Potluck with Dance of Universal Peace beginning at 6PM. Studio and Farm reserved.

June 23-24. Olympia Food Coop Board of Directors meeting. Farm Studio and Barn Rental for 20+ adults and children.

June 25 - 28. July 2-5, July 17 – 21, July 24- 27. Swallow Circle Summer Camp.

check out our flyer 360-485-3875 swallowcirclesummercamp@gmail.com. Mondays – Thursdays and Tuesdays – Fridays, for 4 weeks of the summer we host Amiee DeNay and her amazing staff to guide, share and play with children between the ages of 3 and 13 in farm, art, and nature emersion.

June 21, Native Sweat Lodge, 9am fire tenders, Noon door time. 15 adults.

July 25th. Olympia Food Coop. Rental of Studio for meeting. 11 AM – 5 PM. 6 adults.

July 30 – Sept 10. Fish Friendly bridge construction across Spurgeon Creek. No scheduled events during this time.

- **Wednesday August 29th – on site mtg with project coordinator from Wild Fish Conservancy, Adam Sant and Bridge Engineer to review project and paint/flag project boundaries and control points.**
- **Thursday August 30th – on site mtg with Sant and building contractor to confirm project limits etc.**
- **Friday August 31st – mobilization of equipment on to site.**
- **Tuesday Sept 4th – 7 am tree removal/chipping begins.**
- **Wednesday – Archeologist arrives for initial earth removal. Miss Dig contacted. Utilities marked. Buried phone line identified. Concrete footings**

arrive. Pedestrian bridge across creek installed. Boulders arrive and stored adjacent to new bridge location.

- Thursday - Bridge decking arrives. Backfill gravel and stream bed gravel arrive and premixed on site.*
- Monday - phone line temp moved. Dig begins. Culverts removed. Soil stock piled. Footings installed. Stream bed shaped and gravel applied. The fish are free. 5 x12" Rainbow Trout speed up and down new channel.*
- Tuesday – First bridge deck installed.*
- Wednesday – Second Bridge deck installed. Wooden guard rails and benches installed*
- Thursday -Finish grading and road gravel applied.*
- Friday - Finish hand work and demobilization of equipment.*

August 25th – Thurston Conservation District Work Party. Corey Palm, Coordinator as a Natural Resources Intern . End of term project to coordinate Restoration Work Party. 9 am – 12 noon. 10 adults. Blackberry removal along 1/4 mile of Spurgeon Creek riparian area. Removal of 100 plant protectors from 2008 plantings.

September 21st – Evergreen State College/Stream Team of Thurston County Day of Caring. Restoration and Garden Work party. 1:30 – 4:30 PM. 28 college age students and 3 adult supervisors. Blackberry removal, mulching along north riparian area of creek. Reed canary grass and Thistle removal in Wetland Mitigation swale nearest to barn. Harvest of 100 pounds apples, garlic processing, compost bed preparation. Ending with group property tour.

September 22nd – Native American Sweat. 9 am fire tenders arrive. 12 noon door time. 8 adults.

October 3rd – Native American Sweat. 9 am fire tenders arrive. 12 noon door time.

October 18th – Komachin Middle School. Water Quality testing. 2:30 – 3:30. Science class spring and fall biannual event. 2 teachers, 20 students.

October - Sweat

November 8th – Sweat Lodge (12 adults 9 AM – 6 PM) concurrent with the Evergreen State College Masters of Environmental Studies (MESA) garden work party. 10 AM – 4 pm. 10 total. Focus on harvesting Jerusalem Artichokes, cleaning garlic seed, picking apples, shelling Painted Lady beans, harvesting Chicken compost from chicken run and spreading on prepared garden beds, winter garden bed prep by weeding and mulching. Spreading bark mulch in between garden beds. And we concluded with a pot luck barbe que and warming our bodies and hands around the fire as the temperatures dipped down to the 40's