

FRIENDS OF THE PAWTUCKET: GREEN EVENTS CALENDAR, April 4, 2009

Sat April 18: **EARTH DAY CLEANUP:** 9 AM at the DEM Supply Depot, 230 Warwick Ave., Cranston

Sat. May 9: **FARMERS MARKET OPENS:** Saturdays, 9-12 on Rhodes Place, just off Broad Street in Pawtuxet Village. In May, flowering plants for Mothers Day, planting trays, spinach, and honey for sale.

Sat. May 16: **KIDS NATURE WALK:** Led by Steve Stycos (461-2618). All ages welcome, but the one-hour event is designed for kids 7-17. Identify trees with a simple guide and do a small cleanup. 10 AM at the recycling table at the market.

Sat May 23: **ENERGY CONSERVATION:** Edward S. Rhodes School 4th grade sells compact florescent light bulbs to pay for a Save The Bay field trip

Wed. May 27: **CRANSTON EAST JAZZ BAND CONCERT:** Hall Library lawn, 6 PM, rain date 5/28.

Sat May 30: **GARDEN TIPS:** At the market, Edgewood Garden Club advice & Rhodes light bulb sales

Sat. June 6: **GREAT PAWTUXET PADDLE:** Six-mile flatwater paddle sponsored by the Pawtuxet River Authority. 9 AM at the canoe launch at Knight Street. and Pontiac Avenue on the Warwick/Cranston line. Rides from Rhodes on the Pawtuxet and cookout. Details: www.pawtuxet.org

Sat. June 13: **NO MARKET:** Gaspee Day Parade.

Sat June 20: **FARM & RIVER DAY / OFFICIAL MARKET OPENING**

BIRD WALK: Guided by Mike Kieron, assistant curator of the Roger Williams Park Museum of Natural History. 8 AM in the lower Rhodes on the Pawtuxet parking lot, Rhodes Place, Cranston. Bring binoculars, but not dogs. Children should be at least seven years old. Thanks to the RI Natural History Survey for arranging this walk

CANOE RENTALS: At the lower Rhodes on the Pawtuxet parking lot. We supply canoe, paddles, and life preservers; you paddle the calm river at your pace for an hour. Great trip for kids. Canoes available at 9, 10 & 11. \$3/adult; \$1/child. Reservations required. Call Hillary at 784-8240 after May 30.

FIREFLY WALK: 8:15 PM at the lower Rhodes on the Pawtuxet parking lot. Erik Anderson (474-1515) will lead an easy walk to see the annual firefly mating ritual. Bug repellent, long sleeves and long pants recommended. Please do not bring jars, nets, or noisy electronic devices.

Sat. June 27:

BIG GREEN BOOK SALE: Used-book sale 9-12 at the market. All proceeds go to the market's environmental projects. Drop book donations on front porches at 25 Berwick Lane, 10 & 18 Williams Avenue, or 37 Ferncrest Avenue in Cranston.

TREE WALK: Walk with Rhode Island Tree Council's John Campinini, Rhode Island's top tree expert, Learn to measure champion trees. 10 AM at the recycling table at the market. Please, no dogs.

RAIN BARREL DISTRIBUTION: New England Rain Barrel will distribute rain barrels at the market. Barrels must be ordered in advance at www.nerainbarrel.com

Sat. September 19: **MUSHROOM WALK:** URI Oceanography professor Robert Kenney will lead a mushroom walk. 10 AM at the lower Rhodes on the Pawtuxet parking lot. Thanks to the Rhode Island Natural History Survey for arranging this walk.

Sat. October 17: **PUMPKIN & PAW PAW FESTIVAL:** 9-12 at the market. The Pawtuxet Village Association, Edgewood Garden Club, and Friends of the Pawtuxet offer canoe rentals, hayrides, a kids crafts activity, a plant and bake sale, and gardening advice. Also, paw paws will be on sale and plastic plant pots collected for reuse. Reservation recommended for canoe rentals (call Hillary at 784-8240 after Sept. 30) and hayrides (purchase tickets, \$3/person or \$6/family, at Twice Told Tales starting Oct. 10).

Sat. November 21: **THANKSGIVING DAY MARKET:** The final market of the year.