

# Eco-Justice Center

## SPRING & SUMMER 2019

# Calendar of Events



### Sprouted Grain Breads

Tuesday, March 19, 2019 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Guide: Shawn Rediske, Water House Foods

In this hands-on class, learn how simple it is to sprout your own grains and make delicious and healthy breads from them. Participants will take home breads they bake in class as well as a class manual and recipes. Class fee is \$35.

### Spring Equinox Celebration

Wednesday, March 20, 2019 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm

Celebrate the start of spring with reflection, music and stories centered around rebirth. We invite you to bring an appetizer to share for this family friendly event. Freewill donation.

### Make-Your-Own Dryer Balls

Saturday, March 23, 2019 9:30 am – 11:30 am

Guide: S. Janet Weyker

Learn to make dryer balls from core wool and alpaca fiber. Participants will make 1-3 dryer balls and have the opportunity to purchase materials for additional balls to make at home if they wish. Placing 3 of the balls in the dryer with a load of clothes speeds up drying, eliminates static electricity and saves money. Class fee is \$30 (all materials provided). Registration deadline is March 20th.

### Rose-Petal Bead Making

Saturday, March 30, 2019 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Guide: S. Janet Weyker

Participants will learn the process of making dried rose petal beads from start to finish. Participants will be able to take home at least one completed project (bracelet, necklace, rosarie or earrings) and a container of dried rose petals if they wish to continue making beads on their own at home. Class fee is \$35 (includes materials and lunch).

### Water-Felting

Saturday, April 13, 2019 9:00 am – 1:30 pm

Guide: S. Janet Weyker

Learn how to create functional items out of beautiful, soft alpaca fiber. From skirting (cleaning) and carding the fiber to the actual felting process, this class will enable you to take home your own hand-felted purse, eye-glass pouch or necklace. Class fee is \$50 (includes materials and lunch). Registration deadline is April 8th.

### Spring Break Camp

April 23-26, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm / Ages 5-8

\$115 / 4 days

Register at [ecojusticecenter.org](http://ecojusticecenter.org)

### Beginning Birding

Saturday, April 27, 2019 9:30 am – 11:30 am

Guide: Rick Fare

Do you enjoy watching birds and often wish you could identify them and understand their behavior? During the course of a year in Wisconsin, over 300 species pay us a visit, many of them nesting here. This presentation is offered to help you improve your birding skills. It covers identification tips, morphology, and behavior of birds, with a focus on migration. Also covered are binocular basics and recommended birding resources. The best birding spots in Racine and Kenosha will also be discussed. You may bring your binoculars to learn proper eyepiece adjustment. Class fee is \$5.

### Bird Walks

Tuesdays: April 30, May 7, 14, & 21, 2019 8:00 am

Guide: Rick Fare

May is the prime month to witness the bird migration. Warblers, orioles, tanagers, and hummingbirds – along with many others – will be returning to their breeding grounds after a long migration. This is an exciting time of the year to enjoy birds at EJC's neighboring property, Cliffside Park. Meet at parking area #2. Afterwards, enjoy fellowship & goodies in the EJC Education Center. Freewill donation.

### Yoga with Alpacas

Saturday, June 8, 2019 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Guide: Chloé Wright, 200 RYT

Last year's campers had so much fun practicing yoga with alpacas that we're opening it up to the public! Learn about and meet the alpacas of EJC, then enjoy yoga in their pasture. (Don't worry, alpacas are very clean animals who use specific bathroom areas.) Afterwards, you'll have a chance to pet and take photos with your furry yoga companions. Ages 18 & older. Class fee is \$20.

### Ecology Camp on the Farm

June 17-21 / July 8-12 / July 15-19 (ages 6-10) / \$125

June 24-28 (ages 11-14, includes one overnight) / \$165

Register at [ecojusticecenter.org](http://ecojusticecenter.org)

## Summer Solstice Celebration

Friday, June 21, 2019 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Gather for a lively celebration of the start of summer and the longest day of the year. There will be a drum circle! We invite you to bring an appetizer to share for this family friendly event. Freewill donation.

## Yoga with Alpacas

Saturday, August 3, 2019 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Guide: Chloé Wright, 200 RYT

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## BONK! in the Barn

August, 2019 (Date TBA) 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Explore the grounds, then settle in for poetry and live music in the barn. BONK! is a free monthly event that takes place in a variety of locations. Find BONK! on Facebook to stay up-to-date with their events.

## Farm Corps Farm to Table Dinner

Sunday, August 25, 2019

Join us for our 3rd Annual dinner featuring the Racine Area Youth Farm Corps Program! Enjoy appetizers and cocktails while exploring the Eco-J farm, then be seated in the pasture near the gardens for the evening's outdoor meal, featuring local, seasonal dishes made by the chefs of Racine's finest restaurants, including Sebastian's, Olde Madrid, and Butcher & Barrel.

**Tickets available on June 3 at [ecojusticecenter.org](http://ecojusticecenter.org)**  
*\$100 / person, includes appetizers and cocktails, wine and multiple-course meal.*



## Fall Festival

Sunday, September 15

11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Bring the family to our 13th Annual Fall Festival and enjoy live music, delicious food, demonstrations, hermitage tours, hay rides, a petting zoo, story time, face painting, kids' games and crafts. Demonstrations will include felting, wood turning, composting, beekeeping and more. The event also includes a lucky ticket raffle, sweepstakes, Farm Corps veggie stand & garden tours, bake sale and gift shop.

Festival Tickets: Adults \$5, Children \$2 (3 & under free)

# General Information

## Eco-Justice Center

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*Learn more at [ecojusticecenter.org](http://ecojusticecenter.org)  
and on Facebook*

## Come Visit Us!

8:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday-Saturday

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm, Sunday

## Other Program Information

Please see our website for more information. Registration forms can be found on our website under "Programs and Events." Fees include all workshop materials, unless specified. Checks can be made payable to "Eco-Justice Center."

## Eco-Justice Center Tours

The Center is open for guided educational tours at a cost and free self-guided tours at your own pace. More information can be found on our website. We are open for visits 8am-5pm, Monday-Saturday and 1pm-4pm, Sunday.

## Individualized Lessons

Price is to be worked out with the instructor.

### Crocheting and Knitting

S. Mary Ann Weyker / 262-664-5636

### Spinning, Tatting, Felting

S. Janet Weyker / 262-822-1825

### Weaving

S. Kathleen Bohn / 262-664-5694

## Financial Assistance

For financial assistance to attend programs, call S. Rejane at 262-681-8527 ext. 1#.

## Our Mission:

*The Eco-Justice Center is dedicated to environmental education and care of Earth in the context of community, contemplation, creativity, and cultivation.*

## Hermitage

Come to rest, read, relax, renew, write, create, and enjoy. The hermitage offers a cozy atmosphere with a fireplace, comfy chair and bed, and all the essentials for simple living amid the beauty of nature. Rental fee: \$40 per day for a single person, \$45 for a couple. To reserve, call S. Rejane at 262-681-8527 ext. 1#.

## Donations

Anyone wishing to make a donation to support the mission of the Eco-Justice Center can make a check payable to "Eco-Justice Center" or donate on our website using PayPal.

## Volunteer!

Eco-J wouldn't exist without our wonderful volunteers. If you're interested in sharing your time and talents with us, please fill out the form on our website (see "Volunteer" tab) or give Brian a call: 262-681-8527 ext. 3#.