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Nature Programs

Friends of Boyden Wildlife Refuge

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<p>MARCH 16th</p>		<p>Maple Sugaring: A Sweet Labor of Love <i>with Ron Aakjar</i> Who discovered how to turn maple sap into syrup and how has the process changed? Learn tree selection, seasonal timing, and the labor-intensive methods of sugaring in this hands-on program. Rain or Shine.</p>
<p>APRIL 27th</p>		<p>Birding: Birds of Prey Demonstration <i>by Mass Audubon</i> Powerful and majestic, birds of prey are depicted on currency, flags, and chosen for mascots. Seize this rare chance to see a few birds up close while learning about their amazing abilities and myths. Rain or shine.</p>
<p>MAY 18th</p>		<p>Birding: The Search for Spring Migrators <i>w/Doug Lowry, Steve French</i> Join us for this fun birding adventure. No experience needed. Bring your binoculars or borrow ours. How many different birds can we spy and identify? Note: Heavy rain, but not light rain, will cancel this program.</p>
<p>JUNE 9th & 14st</p>		<p>TRWA Riverfest 6/9 Come Explore the TRWA Riverfest with us and stop by our table! Meat Raffle Fundraiser 6/14 Join us at the Taunton Elks Lodge for great food, raffle prizes, gift baskets and more.</p>
<p>JULY 20th</p>		<p>The Wonderful World of Bats* <i>with Maria Armour</i> Come discover and track our local fabulous flying mammals using bioacoustics recorders. Learn the facts and dispel the myths that surround this amazing animal. *Held 7-8:30pm. Note: Heavy rain, but not light rain, cancels this program.</p>
<p>AUGUST 17th</p>		<p>Monarchs and Milkweed <i>with Sally Spooner</i> This fascinating Monarch Butterfly experience is suited for all ages. Learn its lifecycle, migration, and milkweed dependency. Materials will be provided. Come search for monarch eggs and, perhaps, raise your own butterfly! Note: Rain date 8/18, same time.</p>
<p>SEPTEMBER 21st</p>		<p>Turtle Species of Southeastern MA <i>with Brian Bastarache</i> Explore the ancestry, diversity and fascinating facts about our Bay State Turtles. Learn how to protect them and conserve their habitat. Indoor program, rain or shine.</p>
<p>OCTOBER 19th</p>		<p>Salamander Search Party <i>with Caitlin Fisher-Reid</i> Salamanders are one of the most abundant vertebrate animals in New England forests. Learn to locate these hidden gems of biodiversity that keep our woodlands healthy. Note: Heavy rain, but not light rain, will cancel this program.</p>

All programs are free, thanks in part to the Mass Cultural Council. Programs are held outdoors, meet in the Boyden picnic area and run from 11am-12:30pm unless noted above. Walking shoes and insect repellent recommended.

