



January 31, 2012
For Immediate Release:
Contact: Lynn McIntyre
Director of Community Relations
Chattahoochee Nature Center
9135 Willeo Road, Roswell, GA 30075
www.chattnaturecenter.com
770-992-2055 x 224

April is *Spring Break Fun* at the Chattahoochee Nature Center

(ROSWELL) Build a Cardboard City; explore insects and bird Bio Buggies and learn about “Plant Power” in the Nature Exchange! Get ready to ‘dig in the dirt’ and connect to the beauty of planet earth as we prepare for our annual Earth Day Kids Fest and the Native Plant Sale in April. We’re gearing up to drum up lots of fun for everyone! We are open Monday through Saturday from 10-5 pm, and noon to 5pm on Sunday with so many programs offered, we can’t list them all here, so please check out our website at www.chattnaturecenter.org. General admission is \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors, \$5 for children 3-12 and free for children 2 and under and our members. Here are just a few highlights of our *favorite spring offerings for April....*

4th Annual Cardboard City

Monday - Thursday, April 2 – 5, 11:00am – 12:00pm each day,

We built this city! You can too...just bring your empty cardboard boxes and other recyclable items (tin cans, plastic bottles, PVC pipes and more) to CNC over spring break week. We’ll raise a booming metropolis made from everyday items. **Ages 4 – adult, Included with General Admission.**

Bio Buggies and Bat Trunk Fun during Spring Break

Monday - Friday, April 2 – 6

1:30 – 3:00pm each day

Play with the Bat Trunk or explore our Bio-Buggies to discover the fascinating worlds of insects or birds! Nature comes alive with hands-on experiments and tools for scientists of all ages.

See separate press releases for our two BIG annual events!

- **Spring Native Plant Sale...Friday & Saturday, April 13 & 14...and**
- **Earth Day Kids Fest with the Captain Planet Foundation**
Saturday, April 14, 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM, All Ages, \$8 Adults, \$5 Children

Come Play In the Dirt With Us!

Sunday, April 22, 1pm – 4pm

Celebrate **Earth Day** as we take what we learned at Earth Day Kids Fest and put our knowledge into action!

- **10 Great Herbs for the Garden: 1pm – 2:30pm**
Join Unity Garden Coordinator, Libby Lintel to learn more about growing herbs. Have fun with a lively game of herb trivia, information on raising herbs in north Georgia, and a

- tour of the Kaiser-Permanente Unity Garden. Following the tour, visitors are welcome to grab a trowel and help out in the garden. Included with General Admission.
- **Spring Bloomers Tour: 3 – 4:30pm**
Enjoy a relaxing and informative hike through the grounds with CNC Environmental Horticulturist, Lisa Cole, to explore the beauty of nature during this exciting time of year. Included with General Admission.
 - **Wetland Restoration Project: 2pm – 4pm, Ages 5 – Adult**
Help us restore our wetlands by removing invasive species from the River Boardwalk Trail. Limited spaces are available and advance registration is required by April 17.
 - **Composting Critters: 1 – 2:30pm** In this class dig deep into vermicomposting! Discover how easy it is to set up and maintain your own worm bin by creating one to take home in this class. **Ages 5 – Adult** (children age 15 and under require adult supervision). Advance Registration Required by April 19, \$15 General Public/\$5 CNC Members (price per family).
 - **Earth Balloon: 3 – 4pm, All Ages**
There's no better way to celebrate Earth Day then getting inside the Earth! Join a CNC naturalist and climb inside Keep Roswell Beautiful Earth Balloon to discover what makes this planet so amazing!

Fairy Village Workshop: Toad Houses

Saturday, April 21, 11am - 12pm, We are inviting toads to stay in the Fairy Village. Make a toad house to take home for the toads around your house. Afterwards, stay and make a fairy house in the village. **Ages 6 – Adult, \$15 General Public/\$10 CNC Members (one adult helper required for participants 12 and under and is included.) Advance Registration Required.**

Drum Circle

Friday, April 27, 7 - 10pm

Join us in a new monthly event! Drum the stars into the sky. Bring your djembe, bongos or other rhythmic instrument and take part in one of the most basic celebrations of music. All experience levels and spectators welcome. **\$5 donation requested**

Backyard Campout

Saturday, April 28 - Sunday, April 29, 5:00pm-10:00am

Brush up on those camping skills and get ready for the end of school with a camping trip to the CNC! Sleep out under the stars, enjoy night hikes, play games on the meadow, visit with nocturnal animals, roast marshmallows around the campfire and more! **\$45 General Public/\$35 CNC Members (price per tent), Advance Registration Required**

###