

SAVE THE DATE

NIGHT HIKES

Super Moon Night Hike

October 17, 6:30pm (adults only)

Fall Fox Frolic Night Hike

November 2, 6pm (ages 8+)

Junior Night Hike

November 16, 4:30pm (ages 4-7)

Owl Prowl December 1, 5pm (ages 8+)

Winter Solstice Night Hike

December 21, 5pm (ages 8+)

YOU AND ME PRE-SCHOOL (AGES 3-5):

Winter Dance: November 9, 12 or 13

The Wish Tree: December 10, 11 or 14

HOMESCHOOL CLASSES (AGES 5-10):

Misunderstood Animals: October 16 or 17

Nature is Gross!: October 23 or 24

When Winter Comes: November 13 or 14

Nature's Builders: November 20 or 21

The Wild World of Owls: December 4 or 5

Rock 'N' Stroll: December 11 or 12

Season of Giving: December 18 or 19

WEEKLY BIRD WALKS (AGES 10+):

Tuesdays, weekly, times vary

LEARN WITH US

Wildscaping for Wildlife (Virtual)

Mondays, October 21-November 25, 7pm

A Day in the Life of a Wildlife Rehabilitator

November 9, 10am-12pm

POP-IN ACTIVITIES

FREE WITH ADMISSION!

Fur, Feathers and Scales

November 27, 11am or 1pm (all ages)

GET CREATIVE WITH US!

Raptor Photography Session

October 26, 10am (teens and adults)

Junior Nature Photographers

October 27, 10am (ages 8-12)

Nature Journaling

November 2, 10am (teens and adults)

FUNDRAISERS & SPECIAL EVENTS:

Owl-O-Ween Trick or Treating

Saturday, October 19th, 4-7pm

For more information and to register, please visit cedarrun.org/events.

Advanced registration is required. Limited space!

Nature Center open 10am - 4pm daily

Our Wildlife Rehabilitation Hospital is open 365 days of the year and offers a 24-hour overnight drop-off. If you find an injured or orphaned wild one, please call our Wildlife Hospital at 856-983-3329 x 107.

BUILDING LEGACIES:

GARY GARDNER INC. AND THEIR COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY AND CONSERVATION

By Lisa Franco,
Director of Development

Gary F. Gardner, Inc., a well-established construction company, has been a cornerstone in their community for decades, building not just homes and commercial spaces but also a legacy of trust and quality. This year we were delighted to have them as one of our newest Guardians of the Wild. Gary Gardner has been a dedicated supporter of Cedar Run for years, bringing in injured or orphaned wildlife and working with our teams over the years on different projects.

Known for their attention to detail and commitment to excellence, the company has transformed landscapes with projects that stand as testaments to their craftsmanship and dedication. Gary says, "Our company has been working with so many local carpenters that have been with us for such a long time

and everyone truly enjoys the work they do." Their approach to construction is rooted in a deep respect for the environment and the communities they serve, ensuring that every project is a purposeful addition to the area.

After raising enough money to build one of Cedar Run's newest ambassadors, Ember, a fox enclosure, we knew we wanted Gary Gardner's team to do the work. Owner, Gary Gardner says that though they have never built a fox enclosure for an organization he had been building enclosures for pets since he was a kid. His team always loves a good challenge and absolutely loves being at Cedar Run, giving back to nature and a great cause.

Beyond their impressive portfolio, Gary Gardner Inc. is also a leader in community engagement, consistently giving back through various initiatives. Their partnership with organizations like Cedar Run Wildlife Refuge exemplifies their commitment to preserving natural habitats and fostering a sense of guardianship over the environment. Through these efforts, Gary Gardner Inc. not only builds structures but also strengthens the social fabric of their community. Their legacy is one of enduring impact, where every project is not just a business endeavor but a meaningful addition to the community they cherish.

EMPLOYER MATCHING MAKES YOUR GIFT GO FURTHER

We are never able to thank our donors enough for their immense generosity. Individual donors provide Cedar Run with 70% of our annual donations; we truly would not be able to do this work without you! This year has been challenging for the entire nonprofit sector as donations have declined, partly due to inflation and the financial uncertainty many face. Cedar Run is also feeling the pressures of inflation as the cost of the items required to care for the thousands of wildlife patients in our Wildlife Rehabilitation Hospital continue to rise. As an individual donor, you can double, and sometimes even triple, the amount of your gift without giving any additional money from your wallet.

Many employers - National Football League, Subaru, NJM Insurance, Google Inc., etc. - have a corporate matching gift program, a type of corporate philanthropy in which they match their employees' financial donations to nonprofit organizations. Most companies match donations 1:1, but some donate two, three, or even four times the original gift from the donor. Annually,

corporations contribute \$2-\$3 billion to nonprofits through matching gift programs. The process is fast and easy; in about 5 minutes, a \$25 donation could become \$50 or even \$125. So far, Cedar Run has received over \$5,500 from corporate matching gift programs this year! Not sure if your employer has a matching gift program? When you donate, you can see if your employer has a matching gift program right on our donation page or later through the Matching Gift email.

