

# tales from cedar run

Woodford cedar run wildlife refuge



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## Odd Birds at Cedar Run!

EARLIER IN THE FALL, visitors to Cedar Run's hiking trails and wildlife housing area started to see an odd thing on our lake. Visitors would stop in at the Nature Center on their way out and ask us with some alarm, what is stuck on that goose's neck? Since we always have several geese either migrating through or just hanging out, we were not sure what they meant. After the third or fourth person who asked, we got a bit more info, and were just as puzzled. We were told about a Canada goose with a 4 inch orange tube stuck on its neck. Since this would not be the first time an animal checked itself into the wildlife hospital, we kept an eye out and sure enough, within a day we found him. It was an adult goose, with what looked like a 3 to 4 inch orange tube stuck at the base of his neck (I say he, but even we have trouble telling sometimes). Upon closer inspection, it turned out to be a bird band, the sort researchers tag birds with to track migration routes or home ranges. While we are accustomed to seeing birds with bands on their ankles, we



had never seen a bird tagged in this manner before. We could not read the tag from a distance, so then the great goose chase started. We rounded him up, and took him into the hospital to get a better look. Turns out, this bird was banded north of the Arctic Circle, by an Icelandic group of researchers. This bird traveled over 3,500 miles and landed right here in Medford! And of course found his way to Cedar Run. The bird was in great health and did not need any medical care, so we released him on our lake and wished him the best. We contacted the researchers, as that is why they tag the birds, but as there was a language barrier, we are not sure if they understood how far this bird had traveled. What a trip that must have been!

And that is not the only odd bird we have seen in the past few months that was far, far from home. While Sandy was still raining on us, folks from around southern New Jersey were calling us with odd bird sightings or with birds

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### Annual "Serenade for Wildlife"

Enjoy an afternoon of light classical music at this joyous annual event to benefit the Refuge!

Sunday, March 17th at 3pm

Tickets: \$15 advance/\$20 at door

Location: Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 1 Winchester Court, Tabernacle, NJ

Once again William and Nancy Stokking are hosting our annual *Serenade for Wildlife* benefit concert. Mr. Stokking (principle cellist for the Philadelphia Orchestra, retired) and his wife, along with several of their highly talented students and friends, have graciously been donating their time and talent to this musical benefit for over 19 years now.



Call for tickets or info: 856.983.3329 . 100

### SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Please consider supporting this truly lovely event. Your generous contribution will greatly help us continue our vital work in wildlife rehabilitation, environmental education and habitat preservation.

#### Program Sponsorships

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### GRAB YOUR COAT AND MITTENS!

Our new book for the StoryWalks®, *When Winter Comes*, by Nancy Van Laan, is up and "walking". There's no reason to hibernate from the cold. Winter is a great time to be outside, especially with children. The more you get the kids out, the more they will appreciate nature, and the healthier they will be. So come out to Cedar Run and take a walk with your kids and read a book along the way. This story will be out along the white trail for the next 2 months.



Look for a new StoryWalks® book in mid-April.

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## MISSION

Cedar Run is dedicated to the preservation of New Jersey's wildlife and habitats through education, conservation and rehabilitation.

To that end: Cedar Run operates the region's busiest wildlife hospital, and engages in conservation efforts through environmental education and ecologically based management of our 171 acres of Pinelands habitats. Cedar Run offers educational programs for all ages that highlight the connection between wildlife conservation, human health and the importance of protecting the habitats we all share.

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in trouble. Within a few days we had taken in a red-billed tropic bird (pictured below), usually found around the Antilles Islands, and a shearwater, a bird whose transequatorial migration can have them traveling from the North Atlantic Ocean to the waters off Brazil! Talk about flying south for the winter, wow, what a journey. The red-billed tropic bird was such an unusual and unexpected guest, it ended up the focus of a story that ran on WHYY radio. Both birds were dehydrated and in need of some rest and nutrition. But other than being very far from where they expected to be, were in relatively good health and have a chance of making it back to where they belong. We believe these are just a few of the birds that got caught up in the giant storm Sandy, and could not get out of the winds.



Red-billed tropic bird waiting out tropical storm Sandy at our rehab hospital

So the next time you look out your window or hike along a trail keep your eyes on the birds, they each have a story, they each have a busy life, and you never know what you can see.

- Jeanne Gural

## Wildlife Releases 2012

2012 saw the busiest year ever for our Wildlife Rehabilitation Hospital. While it is not our goal to be New Jersey's busiest wildlife center, we have become so due to our geographic location and our unwillingness to turn away any wildlife in need. Hurricane Sandy unfortunately brought us species we had never seen before due to their being blown thousands of miles away from their homes.

In 2012 our staff and volunteers took in and cared for a total of 130 different species, which is more than we have ever cared for in one year. We took in a total of 4,296 individual animals and successfully released more than 57% of those animals that were treated. While you and I may not go to a hospital with a 57% success rate that is exceptional for a wildlife rehabilitation center.

Some of the notable releases included: 2 peregrine falcons, 8 great horned owls, 8 black-crowned night herons, 8 Eastern screech owls, 13 cooper's hawks, 20 red-tailed hawks, 2 red-shouldered hawks, 33 striped skunks, 102 American robins, 123 opossums, 16 ground hogs, 128 mallard ducks, 11 flying squirrels, 1 barred owl, 3 downy woodpeckers, 7 red-bellied woodpeckers, 11 Carolina chickadees, 202 eastern gray squirrels, and 314 cottontail rabbits! Wow, and those are just a sampling of the species we saw.



And not one of them came in with health insurance. **Your donations truly save lives.**



**about baby rabbits:** If a baby rabbit is the size of a tennis ball or larger, IT IS ON ITS OWN! Babies with their ears flat against the head with closed eyes MAY need our help. Always take caution before handling babies. Mom may not be far away.



**about baby birds:** Baby birds who are found out of the nest should be left alone and watched very carefully for a few hours. They may just be learning to fly. If they don't move away after a few hours, scoop them up and gently return them to the nest. Mom will still return, even with your scent on the babies. If they are injured you may bring them to us.



# We're Expecting!

**Did you know that thousands of orphaned or injured baby animals will be delivered to our doorstep this upcoming nesting period? Now that's a lot of little mouths to feed! So in preparation for our new bundles of joy, we're throwing a ...**

## Spring Baby Shower

**February 25th through May 3rd ~ 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

Just purchase a gift from the Baby Registry (listed below) and drop it off at the Rehab Hospital, and for coming to our rescue you will receive; free admission to the wildlife housing area, hiking trails and Nature Center for the day. Don't forget your party favor before you go! For your convenience, you can also shop the Registry online at [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com). Click on the WishList button, and enter our e-mail: [info@cedarrun.org](mailto:info@cedarrun.org) in the search box. Please be sure to **include your name and address** on your gift!

### **CLEANING SUPPLIES:**

- Baby bottle brushes
- Rodent bottle brushes
- Laundry detergent/Bleach
- Floor cleaner
- Mop heads (O Cedar Big Easy Refill--available at Walmart)
- Tissues

### **FOOD:**

- Powder Esbilac puppy milk replacer made by PetAg
- Pedialyte
- Oats
- Distilled water
- Dry dog food - any brand

### **FOOD: (cont.)**

- Rodent Chow
- Duck Pellets
- Dry EVO cat and kitten food

### **HOUSING:**

- 32 gallon totes or larger w/lids for baby raccoon & skunk housing
- Heating Pads (without the "auto-shut-off" feature) to help keep our babies warm
- 4 or 5 oz rodent water bottles
- Red Reptile Bulb 60 watts or 25 watts, by Zoo Med

### **Toys/Enrichment:**

- Puzzle ball
- Plastic link chain (Ring O Links, Lots of Links)

### **Toys/Enrichment: (cont.)**

- Small animal chew treats --needed for the squirrels and rabbits
- Infant and toddler safe toys
- Small soccer balls and Small basketballs
- Plastic Keys



### **WISHING WELL:**

Drop off or mail a monetary donation for special order formula, medicine and vitamins

## A New Home for Sassafras, Spike and Emma!

Our white-tailed deer now have a new home that is not only spacious, but up to the Department of Fish & Wildlife regulations. This project was not going to be an easy task to accomplish. There was land to prepare, a barn to build, two separate types of enclosures (chain link and split rail) to be installed, and piles of lumber, nails and tools, not mention the logistics involved with gently guiding Sassafras, Spike and Emma across the path to their new home. Special thanks to our many volunteers and donors whose talents and dedication made this undertaking a huge success, including the good people from BarclayCard of Wilmington Delaware, Eric Fuzer from Boy Scouts Troop 42, the family of Edwin Rosa, Sr. and Glenn Nec and the HOMERS! Come by and see for yourself the great job our volunteers did. There's no denying that Sassy, Spike and Emma love it too!



## Hoo's Hoo at cedar run



**Can you match the name to the face?  
If not then maybe you need to visit us.**

**We would love to meet you and show you around!**

- Jeanne Gural, Executive Director
- Judy Sailer, Director of Development
- Kathy Cantafio, Office Manager
- Liz DeGrazia, Office Assistant
- Becca Gutwirth, Director of Education & Outreach
- Erin Kiefer, Camp Coordinator, Naturalist
- Mike O'Malley, Naturalist, Wildlife Assistant
- Cheryl Fisher, Naturalist, Wildlife Assistant
- Lori Swanson, Director of Wildlife Rehab
- Sara Walsh, Assistant Manager Rehab
- Ed Powrie, Wildlife Technician
- Glenn Nec, Facilities

## 2012 Annual Fundraising Events

### BIG THANKS TO OUR GENEROUS SPONSORS:

- \*Appraisal Services \* Ararat Carpet & Flooring \* Bartlett Tree Experts \*
- \*Bradley & Stow Funeral Home \* Cambridge Financial Group \* Champion Fasteners \*
- \*Columbia Bank \* Dietz & Watson \* Green Mountain Energy Company \*
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- \*Thomas/Boyd Communications \* Tom Hendrickson with Farmers Insurance \*
- \*Tustin Farm \* Winzinger, Inc. \*Zinc Café \*

**WOODFORD CEDAR RUN FAMILY is heartbroken to report that JJ, one of our resident great-horned owls, passed away at the beginning of February.**

**J**J came to us in August of 2003 and was displaying neurologic signs that caused us to suspect that she had West Nile Virus. Through supportive care, JJ recovered well from the virus over time. Unfortunately, the neurologic symptoms caused JJ to do irreparable damage to her right wing which prevented her release back to the wild. JJ lived in an enclosure with fellow great-horned owls Ashley and Bubba, but she also played a very important part in our rehabilitation process over the years. JJ served as a surrogate mother to many orphaned owlets and was able to teach them the behaviors that they needed to survive after release. JJ was an amazing mother figure and she will be greatly missed by visitors and staff alike.



JJ (pictured on the left) with orphaned owlets

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# 2012 Memorials



THERE ARE MANY DIFFERENT WAYS to honor friends and loved ones who share a commitment to helping native New Jersey wildlife and habitat.

Here are the names of the people whom we honor through the generosity of donations given in their name this past year:

*Paul S. Alday, III*  
*Jackie Arcieri*  
*Robert Bradel*  
*Diane Brocious*  
*William Chilkotowsky*  
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*Eric Schlottau*  
*Peter Haydon Talbot, Jr.*  
*Jack A. Ziebarth*  
*Edna*  
*Scooby*

SEPARATE BEQUEST:

*Miriam Mason*

If you would like to make a Memorial Gift in memory of a family member or friend, to not only affirm your environmental values, but also recognize that these values were shared by the individual being honored, please call us at 856.983.3329, ext. 100.

*Cedar Run would like to thank our*

## **COMMUNITY PARTNERS AND FOUNDATIONS**

*Allerton Foundation*  
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*William F. Jones Private Foundation*

# Upcoming Events 2013: mark your calendars!



**Note:** Parents are encouraged to remain with children during **homeschool** and **knee-high naturalists** programs.

## FOR YOUNGSTERS:

### \* KNEE-HIGH NATURALISTS

It's never too soon to explore the Refuge! Join us on the **SECOND THURSDAY** of the month running September-June (excluding December), as a Naturalist will help you explore nature with your 3-5 year old child through games, stories, crafts, hikes, songs and skits.

*Pre-registration is required. \$7.00 per child with one adult free.*

Now offering morning and afternoon sessions!

Choose from our 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. session or

our 1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m. session.

All sessions are conducted inside and outside so dress in layers.

**March 14th - Dazzling Deer:** Learn more about our four-legged neighbors through stories and crafts. Get the chance to touch antlers and deer fur, and maybe even bring a treat to our resident deer.

**April 11th - The Little Things:** We'll be flipping over logs, and peeking under rocks to take a closer look at all of the little creatures hiding in the forest.

**May 9th - Traveling Seeds and Buzzing Bees:** Through stories and crafts, we'll explore how new plants and flowers start their lives in our woods.

**June 13th - What's in the Water?:** Be prepared to get dirty. In our last knee-hi class of the season, we'll start inside with a story, but then we'll go into the wetlands to look for frogs and insects.

### \* DO YOU HOMESCHOOL?

On the **SECOND THURSDAY** of the month running September-June (excluding December), a Naturalist will teach your children about wildlife, plants and more. Classes are for ages 6 and up.

*Pre-registration is required. \$7.00 per child with one adult free.*

Now offering morning and afternoon sessions!

Choose from our 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. session or our

1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. session.

All sessions are conducted outside so please dress for the weather.

**March 14th - Habitat Loss and Conservation:** What are some of the reasons wildlife are losing their habitats? Let's work together to find out ways we can help.

**April 11th - Seed Need:** What's inside a seed? How do they travel? How do they grow? Find out what seeds need and why we need them.

**May 9th - Eggs, Nests and Animal Babies:** Babies, babies, and more animal babies! What are some places baby animals call home? Which start as eggs? How fast do they grow? Let's find out!

**June 13th - Swamp Safari:** It's mucky, muddy swamp adventure time! Let's set out in search of the creatures that lurk there. Frogs, fish, bugs and more!

## FOR ALL AGES:

### \* WALKS ON THE WILD SIDE

Explore the Pines with us on the **THIRD SUNDAY** of the month, join our Naturalist in search of the wild. Meet at 1:30 p.m. at the Nature Center. Call for themes or check our website for an updated schedule. *Included with the price of admission.*

**March 17th - 1:00-2:30 PM - Eyes to the Sky:** The sky holds many fascinating parts of nature. We'll check out birds, learn to identify the clouds, and maybe spot an early insect as we venture the trails of Cedar Run.

**April 21st - 1:00-2:30 PM - Plants and Plant Presses:** Ever want to save the early spring blooms from your garden? Join our naturalist to discover some of our native plants and learn how to make a simple plant press you can carry with you

**May 19th - 1:00-2:30 PM - Wonderful Wetlands:** The wetlands are home to a wide variety of flora and fauna. We'll take a trip into our wetlands to investigate some of the more unique residents of the area

**June 16th - 1:00-2:30 PM - Navigating the Pines:** Leave your GPS behind! We'll explore different ways to navigate without having to use modern technology.

### \* NIGHT HIKES

Join us for a seasonal night hike to experience the wonders of the Refuge after dark! *Advanced registration is required. \$10.00 per adult and \$5.00 per child. Please call ahead to register.*

**May 11th - 7:00-9:00 PM - Sounds of the Night:** Ever wonder what is making those unusual sounds out your window at night? We'll explore the trails after dark and discover what call is coming from where.



## THROUGH OUR LENSES

**March 29 thru April 7**

*presented by Holman Automotive*

Photography competition for kids ages 4-12. Each child will receive a disposable camera with their admission (while supplies last). Kids can take pictures while they are here and leave the cameras with us. We'll get the pictures developed, and blow the best shot up to an 8x10. The exhibit, featuring an 8x10 from every participant, will open on May 4, at 1:00 pm and will remain open until May 19. All photos should be picked up by May 31. Winners will have their photos displayed at the downtown Medford Arts Center during the month of June. This is a family focused event, sorry no groups.

## Save the Date:

**Saturday, May 18, 2013 - Wine and Wildlife**

4:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Join us in the wild for beer and wine tasting and a gourmet picnic!

*Is your budget low and you're looking to GO WILD?! Contact us about our affordable on and off-site education programs for all ages!*

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*Call 856.983.3329 Ext.103 for more details.*



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## HOP TO IT!

**Training: Wednesday, March 20th  
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm**

In conjunction with Jenkinson's Aquarium, we will be offering this program from the Association of Zoos and Aquariums. Upon completion of this training, you will have the tools to collect and report information about New Jersey frogs that will be used in a national study. Participants must complete a skills test. Ages 16 and up.

**For more information, go online:  
<http://www.aza.org/frogwatch>**



Pre-registration is required. (no fee)



## Raptor Photography Session

**Saturday, April 27th  
7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.**

**(Raindate: Sunday, April 28)**

While it might seem like cheating, here's a chance to photograph some of New Jersey's most beautiful raptor species up close and personal. We'll meet first thing in the morning so we get the best light. While the birds will have their anklets on, we'll tuck them away behind branches and fence posts. At least 6 birds will be perched throughout the session. Group size is kept small so you'll have the best angles.

**Pre-registration is required.  
\$18 member, \$20 non-member**

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#### membership (please choose one)

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- FRIEND** 1000
- EAGLE CLUB** 500
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- SUPER FAMILY** 100
- FAMILY** 50
- INDIVIDUAL** 25

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- Free admission to Cedar Run Nature Center, our multiple Hiking Trails and Wildlife Housing Area
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WINTER 2013

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#### adopt-a-wild-one! (please check your choices)

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##### ►150 Level

- bald eagle
- peregrine falcon
- barred owl

##### ►50 Level

- screech owls;
- Otus
- Reggie
- pine snake

##### ►100 Level

- red-tailed hawk
- great horned owl
- red fox
- gray fox

##### ►35 Level

- American crow
- mute swan
- groundhog

##### ►75 Level

- barn owl
- raccoon
- white-tailed deer

##### ►25 Level

- box turtle
- Canada goose
- songbird
- squirrel



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- YES!** JOIN OUR TEAM OF VOLUNTEERS.
- YES!** RUN A "WISHLIST" FUND DRIVE.



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**Summer will be here before you know it!** It's time to think about Summer Camp because Summer's more fun at Cedar Run! Please check out our website or call 856-983-3329 x 103 for more information.

## Honorable Mentions...

Our many thanks go to Vic Gorin at Precision SignWorks, located in Hainesport, for helping us out with signage for this seasons StoryWalks® book and to Girl Scout Troop 24321 from Cranberry Pines in Medford for helping us with the sign installation along the trail.

Thanks again to John Black, Vic Gorin, and Precision SignWorks of Hainesport for donating their time and product to create name tags for our staff and volunteers.

Thank You Holman Automotive for making our photo competition "Through our Lenses" possible again!

A very special thank you to "Santa" Bob Aaronson. His long time contributions to Cedar Run, in addition to his continuous concerns and support for the staff and volunteers who care for the wildlife, is greatly appreciated. He is a true friend indeed.

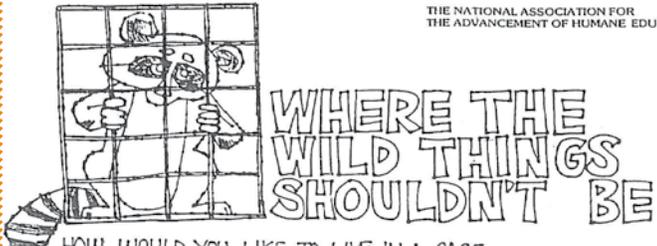
Sadly, we bid a fond farewell to E. Philip Easterly, long time Cedar Run volunteer and the member of the "HOMERS" group (**H**andsome **O**lder **M**en **E**njoying **R**etirement). Phil spent many years donating his time and skills to projects at Cedar Run. His craftsmanship can be seen throughout the Refuge and will be a constant reminder of him. We want to extend our sincerest sympathy to the Easterly family and thank them for sharing this incredibly kind and giving human being with us who will be greatly missed by staff and animals alike.



## Did you know? ...that we do not receive funds from local, state or federal governments.

We rely on **YOUR** donations to provide animal care and education programs for your community. Our programs reach out to 30,000 people annually. More than 19,000 school children and Scouts are served by our education programs, and last year over 4,000 injured and orphaned animals were treated at our wildlife hospital.  
**Please consider becoming a member!** See inside for details.

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**WHERE THE WILD THINGS SHOULDN'T BE**

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO LIVE IN A CAGE THAT WAS JUST ABOUT TEN FEET SQUARE, WITH NO TOYS TO PLAY WITH AND NOTHING TO DO... JUST YOU AND A BED AND A CHAIR? OH, SURE YOU'D BE FED (THE SAME THING EACH DAY) YOU'D HAVE WATER (UNLESS THEY FORGOT) AND SINCE YOU WOULD NEVER BE GOING OUTSIDE YOU WOULDN'T GET COLD, OR TOO HOT. BUT OH, YOU'D BE LONELY JUST SITTING ALONE WITH NO ONE TO TALK TO ALL DAY. YOU'D REMEMBER THE TREES, AND THE GRASS AND THE BREEZE, THE PLACES WHERE YOU USED TO PLAY. YOU'D REMEMBER YOUR FRIENDS, YOU'D REMEMBER THE SKY, AND GAMES AND STRAWBERRIES AND SUN, AND YOU'D KNOW YOU COULD NEVER GO SKATING AGAIN OR GO SWIMMING, OR RIDE BIKES, OR RUN. YOU'D GET MAD AND SCREAM AND THROW THINGS AROUND; YOU'D KICK AND YOU'D POUND ON THE WALL, AND YOUR OWNERS WOULD SCOLD YOU, AND SAY TO THEMSELVES, "HE ISN'T A NICE PET AT ALL!" THE MORE YOU GOT MAD, THE LESS THEY WOULD LIKE YOU, THE LESS THEY'D REMEMBER TO CARE ABOUT IF YOU HAD WATER OR IF YOU GOT FED OR IF YOU WERE LONELY IN THERE. AND THEN YOU WOULD KNOW WHAT IT'S LIKE TO BE KEPT AS A PET WHEN YOU'RE MEANT TO BE FREE, AND YOU'D LISTEN WHEN WILD THINGS ARE TRYING TO SAY "PLEASE DON'T MAKE A PET OUT OF ME".

BEVERLY ARMSTRONG