

State of Connecticut Department of Energy & Environmental Protection Bureau of Natural Resources Wildlife Division



# Sessions Woods Conservation Education Center Public Program Series

The Sessions Woods Conservation Education Center's Public Program Series is a cooperative venture between the CT DEEP Wildlife Division and the Friends of Sessions Woods. Please pre-register for these programs by calling 860-675-8130. Programs are free unless noted. An adult must accompany children under 12 years old. **No pets allowed!** 

#### March 23, 2014 (Sunday), 9:30-11:30 a.m. Mushrooms!



Join the Connecticut Valley Mycological Society during their annual meeting at Sessions Woods for a mushroom presentation suitable for beginners and more seasoned mushroom seekers. The Mycological Society's meeting will include a coffee and refreshments period at 9:30 a.m., with the presentation from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Questions and answers will follow the program.

# April 13, 2014 (Sun.), 12:30 p.m. Friends of Sessions Woods Annual Meeting with Native Plants Program & Sale

All are welcome to join the Friends of Sessions Woods at their Annual Meeting! Beginning at 12:30 p.m., participants can bring sweets to share for a pre-presentation, potluck dessert extravaganza! At 1:00 p.m., the Friends of Sessions Woods will conduct a brief, 10-minute business meeting to elect

officers before the featured presentation. Peter Picone, a CT DEEP Wildlife Division Habitat Program biologist, will provide an interesting and informative program on using native plants to benefit wildlife. He also will talk about plans to develop a rain garden at Sessions Woods. Following the indoors program, Pete will show participants examples of native plantings on the property. There also will be native plants, including flowering plants that attract hummingbirds and butterflies, available for sale.



Natíve Plant Sale

## May 24, 2014 (Saturday), 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Sessions Woods "Open Center Day"

The Sessions Woods Conservation Education Center will be open with a full day of fun activities for all ages. There will be guided walks and hikes in the morning and a special salamander art activity

with local artist Judy Bird in the afternoon, beginning at 1:00 p.m. Several live salamanders will be on display in honor of "Year of the Salamander." Master Wildlife Conservationists will staff wildlife-related activities, including a wildlife track-making activity. Best of all, it is all FREE!



### June 7, 2014 (Saturday), 1:30 p.m. Trails Day Hike

Since 1993, the first Saturday of every June has been designated "National Trails Day," inspiring the public and trail enthusiasts nationwide to seek out, discover, learn about, and celebrate America's trail system. Sessions Woods will be participating this year with a hike on the beaver marsh trail to enjoy the outdoors and learn about the unique habitats at this wildlife management area. Participants will hike a mile to the marsh and can continue on for a 3-mile loop or return the same way (2 miles total). Meet the hike leader at the flagpole in front of the Sessions Woods Conservation Education Center. Bring water, a snack, and wear proper walking shoes!