2012 LYCEUM FIELD PROGRAMS

PLEASE JOIN US - ALL LYCEUM EVENTS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

<u>Late April/May Earth Week Program</u> 9-11 am Forested Wetlands - Plant ID and Habitat

Visit a forested wetland on a newly conserved KLT property with Josh Brown, KLT member and wetland scientist. Josh will identify common wetland plants - trees, shrubs, and herbs - and will explain how wetlands function and their wildlife habitat values. Wear boots! **Location TBA.**

September 8th Saturday 9-11 am
Alewives and Maine Streams, Lakes, and
Rivers, KLT Seaward Mills Stream
Conservation Area, (SMSCA), Vassalboro
Join Nate Gray, Maine Dept. of Marine Resources
Scientist, and co-steward, KLT Seaward Mills
Stream Conservation Area for a hike and field
program. Nate will discuss alewife ecology and
habitat, the importance of stream passageways, and
the historical and natural features of SMSCA.

October Date and time to be announced. KLT Preserve Dedication - A Wetland Conservation Success Story. Celebrate and explore KLT's new 90-acre Little Cobbossee Preserve. This conservation property was purchased with funds from the Maine Natural Resource Compensation Fund (MNRCP) and a generous donation from landowner, Mary Oatway. Following a brief property dedication with KLT and Nature Conservancy staff and directors, we'll hike the woods and wetlands.

For more information contact:

Kennebec Land Trust Winthrop, Maine 207-377-2848

www.tklt.org

Directions to the Ladd Center: Take Rt. 133 to Wayne Village. Turn south on the Old Winthrop Road; after 0.25 miles turn right on Gott Rd. The Ladd Center is on the left. 207-685-4616

About the Lyceum and KLT

The KLT winter lectures are modeled after the early New England lyceums that began in 1826 in Massachusetts. For many years New England lyceums hosted lectures, debates, and concerts for public audiences. KLT's March Lyceum and the associated field programs are supported by Gloria, Lincoln, and Robert Ladd.



This year's Lyceum is sponsored by **The Nature Conservancy (TNC).** TNC is the leading conservation

organization working around the world to protect ecologically important lands and waters for nature and people. Established more than 50 years ago, the Conservancy's Maine program has protected more than one million acres of Maine's natural treasures, as well as 100-plus islands. TNC uses science, protection, policy, and stewardship to advance preservation and sustainable human use of our state's natural resources so that future generations can enjoy a healthy and abundant natural Maine.

The Ladd Recreation Center is located in the beautiful village of Wayne, Maine. It is open year-round and offers programs for children and adults. The Center also offers free after-school programs for Wayne children and a full summer recreation program. The facilities are available for rent and include a full kitchen, a playground, tennis courts, a basketball court, and a baseball field. Information: 685-4612 or email: laddrec@mainester.net.

The Kennebec Land Trust works cooperatively with landowners and communities to conserve the forests, shorelands, fields, and wildlife that define central Maine. KLT protects land permanently, offers opportunities for people to learn about and enjoy the natural world, and works with partners to support sustainable forestry and farming. The Trust has conserved 4,000 acres; most KLT properties are open to the public for walking, hiking, hunting, fishing, and enjoying nature.



KENNEBEC LAND TRUST 2012 LYCEUM

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Celebrating the 10th Anniversary of KLT's Lyceum

Thursdays, March 15, 22, 29

Snow Date April 5
7:00 - 8:30 pm

Ladd Recreation Center ~ Gott Road
Wayne, Maine

KENNEBEC LAND TRUST 10TH ANNIVERSARY LYCEUM ~ AQUATIC BIODIVERSITY

DAVE COURTEMANCH, PHD

Director, Division of Environmental Assessment, Maine Department of Environmental Protection



LIFE IN MAINE'S LAKES AND RIVERS: OUR DIVERSE FRESHWATER HERITAGE

- What is biodiversity and why should we care about what's in our waters?
- What is interesting, unique, and important about Maine's aquatic biodiversity?
- What are the status and trends of Maine's aquatic biodiversity?

Thursday, March 15, 7-8:30 pm Ladd Recreation Center Wayne, Maine

ERIC DOUCETTE

Botanist and President, Josselyn Botanical Society



APPRECIATING MAINE'S WETLAND PLANTS

- What are Maine's wetland plant communities?
- What rare plants and animals can be found in Maine's wetlands?
- How can we experience the essence of "wilderness" in Maine's wetlands?

Thursday, March 22, 7-8:30 pm Ladd Recreation Center Wayne, Maine

MERRY GALLAGHER

Research Fishery Biologist, Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife



ream, Baxter State Park; Merry Gallagher

WILD BROOK TROUT HABITAT: THE PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE OF MAINE'S SENTINEL FISH SPECIES

- Are Maine's aquatic habitats compromised because of past and present land uses?
- How have wild brook trout responded to, and compensated for, changing conditions across a diversity of habitat types?
- Are wild brook trout inherently resilient to stress caused by human activity, especially climate change?

Thursday, March 29 pm Ladd Recreation Center Wayne, Maine