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**About Moose Mountains
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Moose Mountains Regional Greenways (MMRG) is a non-profit land conservation organization serving the towns of Brookfield, Farmington, Middleton, Milton, New Durham, Wakefield, and Wolfeboro. This grassroots, membership-driven organization represents a dynamic collaboration between community leaders, private landowners, concerned citizens, and public and private conservation organizations. Our mission is to conserve and connect important water resources, working farm and forest lands, wildlife habitats, and recreation lands. We have conserved over 4,000 acres of land since our inception in the year 2000. MMRG also organizes educational workshops, outings, and other events to inform the public about the benefits of our area's natural resources. Our efforts are supported by tax-deductible donations and membership contributions from people like you who appreciate and care about our region's quality of life and natural resources. Your support enables us to continue our efforts to conserve our most special natural areas. For more information or to get involved, please call us at 603-817-8260, email info@mmrg.info, or see www.mmrg.info.

About Branch Hill Farm

Branch Hill Farm, owned by the Carl Siemon Family Charitable Trust, is a 3,000 acre award winning Tree Farm and working agricultural farm in Milton Mills, NH. We began in 1962 when Carl Siemon purchased his grandparent's 1786 farmhouse on 3 acres of land and have since grown to over 3,000 acres of managed forest and farmland through 41 separate land acquisitions. The property of Branch Hill Farm is open to the public for multiple uses. The land serves as a living laboratory for educating all age groups about good forest and field management. It also fulfills Carl's wish that his protected land would provide "an oasis of forests, fields, wildlife, recreation, clean water and air for generations to come." For more information, please see www.branchhillfarm.org.



Working to connect and conserve land for wildlife, environmental health and recreational purposes.



present the 9th annual

**Woods,
Water, &
Wildlife
Festival**



design by Susann Foster Brown Studio

**Saturday August 13, 2011
10 am – 3 pm**

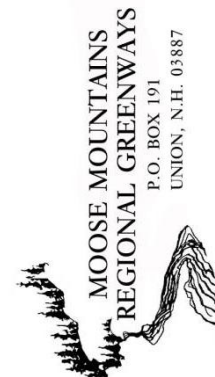
Branch Hill Farm
307 Applebee Road, Milton Mills, NH

Directions: Route 16/Spaulding Tpk. to Exit 18. Turn right off exit ramp onto Route 125 south. Take first left onto Applebee Road. Follow signs to Branch Hill Farm.

\$5/person; \$10/family (12 and under free).
Free for all sponsors, supporters and their employees and Moose Mountains Regional Greenways members.

Festival grounds are wheel chair accessible.

◆ *Underwritten by Branch Hill Farm/
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Scheduled Events

Guided Hike on Conservation Land: 9 am – 11 am

Mike Speltz, NH Forest Society, will lead a hike on conserved lands of the Salmon Falls Headwaters project. **Pre-register: (603) 978-7125.** *Sponsored by Donald F Whittum Law Office and J&S Electric.*

Hayrides to the Salmon Falls River: every hour on the hour, 10 am – 2 pm

Take a ride to the Salmon Falls River, where Bob Craycraft of UNH Cooperative Extension will show you the creatures that make their homes in and along the river. *Sponsored by Moose Mountains Recreation and Evergreen Valley Snowmobile Club.*

Tree ID/Trees for Cordwood: 10:30 am and 2 pm

Karen Bennett of UNH Cooperative Extension will point out the best trees for cordwood on these tree identification walks. *Sponsored by Royle Timber Harvesting and Teneriffe Mountain Blueberries.*

Meet New Hampshire Wildlife: 11 am and 12:30 pm

Squam Lakes Natural Science Center nature experts will educate and fascinate us with live animals of New Hampshire. *Sponsored by New England Furniture and Art & Lynne Slocum.*

Photography and Nature : 11 am (Adults) and 1 pm (Kids)

Professional photographer Carol Martin leads a photography tour of woods, water, and wildlife (bring your camera). *Sponsored by MRP Machine Co and B&B Auto Truck and RV Service Center.*

Hike to Find the Bear Facts: 12 pm

Join Andy Timmins of NH Fish & Game on a search through the woods of Branch Hill Farm for signs of black bears. *Sponsored by DiPrizio GMC and S&S Plumbing and Heating.*

York River Ramblers Concert: Time TBA

Enjoy the toe-tapping music of this traditional string band. These musicians have played on Prairie Home Companion and throughout the Seacoast area. *Sponsored by Measured Progress.*



Dance to the Music! Time TBA

Caller Sarah Mason of the Lamprey River Band will join the York River Ramblers to teach circle and contra dances. No experience necessary. All ages welcome! *Sponsored by Devonshire Realty and Cassandra Curtis.*

Pond Ecology: 1 pm

Judy Tumosa of NH Fish & Game will give a guided walk to show the creatures that live in our ponds. *Sponsored by Ilex Wetlands Consultants.*

Branch Hill Farm on Horseback: 9 am – 11 am

Follow a well-marked course along the scenic Salmon Falls and Branch Rivers. **Cost: \$25.** **To pre-register, call (603) 749-0452.** *Sponsored by Piscataqua Hounds and Wentworth Hunt.*

All Day Events



The Amazing Maze of Sweet Corn — Kids will love exploring this corn maze!

Sponsored by Wakefield Family Care and Weston Auto Body.

Natural Habitats and Invasive Species—Jon Batson, professional landscaper and community Tree Steward, will answer your questions about invasive species that move into NH habitats, replacing valuable species and disrupting the ecosystem. *Sponsored by Index Packaging.*

Down on the Farm—Try grinding corn and playing with traditional toys from the NH Farm Museum. *Sponsored by Jay Fortune Custom Carpentry.*

Kids Discover the Forests — Take a self-guided adventure with your children! Follow a well-marked trail through the woods of Branch Hill Farm to discover hidden natural treasures. *Sponsored by Norm Vetter, Inc.*

New England Fieldstone Walls—Stu Stinchfield demonstrates the craft of splitting stone and building a fieldstone wall. *Sponsored by the Land Bank of Wolfeboro and Tuftonboro and Garwoods Restaurant.*

NH Project Learning Tree Activities—Kids investigate the fascinating world of creatures that inhabit a decaying log and use their sense of touch to identify natural objects inside a mystery box. *Sponsored by the Law Office of James F Schulte and Profile Bank.*

Ruth Scruton's Traveling Barnyard—Pet and feed the sheep, goats, and ducks. Watch fiber arts demonstrations at this interactive educational agricultural display. *Sponsored by D F Richard Energy.*

Tree Cookie Craft Corner—Assisted by experienced adults and parents, kids can saw and paint a non-edible "tree cookie." *Sponsored by the Frank Massin Agency and Forest Pump and Filter.*

Turtle Identification —Allison Briggaman of NH Fish & Game shares an educational game for identifying the seven NH turtle species. *Sponsored by Meredith Village Savings Bank.*

Wonders of the Watershed —Linda Schier from the Acton/Wakefield Watershed Alliance brings saltwater crabs and samples of invasive milfoil and will show you how to make your own watershed model. *Sponsored by Proulx Oil & Propane.*

Let's Go Fishing! —Kids can try their hand at catching their own rainbow or brown trout in Branch Hill Farm's newly stocked ponds. NH Fish & Game instructors will give advice on baiting and casting. Fishing poles and bait available. *Sponsored by Dave Hutchins Builders and Longmeadow Construction.*



Several events are still open for co-sponsorships!
If you are interested, please call (603)978-7125.