

Clearwater

Wildlife

Rehabilitation

Clearwater Sanctuary

See What's Happening in Our Three Growing Branches

April 2024 News & Class Schedules

"I Found a Baby Opossum! What Do I Do?

A mother opossum often carries a dozen babies in her pouch! Understandably she can't run fast when she's carrying so many. So please brake when you see an opossum on the road, and keep your dogs on a short leash. Most opossum injuries are from cars or dogs.

If a mother is injured or killed, babies in the pouch can be saved! The mother, if alive, can be rehabilitated with the babies. If the mother has passed, babies can be removed for rehabilitation.

If you find these babies, follow the 3 H's: 1)housing 2)heat 3)hydration.

- 1. Place the mother/babies in a box or plastic storage container with air holes. Put a tee shirt in and place the opossum inside with closed lid.
- 2. Put a heating pad on low <u>under half</u> of the box.
- 3. Once warm, offer the baby warmed pedialyte with a dropper.

Then call us at Clearwater Sanctuary, 985 630-1009, to talk with a licensed rehabilitator for further instructions.

Save the Date ~ Save a Life Tuesday, May 7th is GiveNOLA Day!!!

We are happy to participate again in the awesome GiveNOLA philanthropic event. This is our primary fundraiser of the year. It allows us to continue quality care for a thousand plus animals every year. So please help us help the helpless on GiveNOLA Day, Tuesday, May 7th. Or be an Early Bird Giver starting April 23rd. Together we can make a difference for injured and orphaned wildlife, our earth and our community.





Family Time



Clearwater Community Gardens We can all thank sisters Mary Lou and Margie Strong, and Margie's granddaughters, Grace and Melba Williams, for tending the butterfly garden one day a week. What a meaningful way for family time, while learning about nature and service. Grace and Mabel help water, and Grace shows her wings to the butterflies.





Originally part of a parking lot on N Theard near the courthouse, the city gave the spot to Clearwater to make a garden. If you enjoy gentle gardening for a good cause, your help would be greatly appreciated. A half hour a week is all it takes to give butterflies and pollinators a respite in the middle of downtown Covington. And it's a great place to sit, have your lunch and enjoy watching life go by - butterflies, bees, birds, neighbors. Or make it your water stop on your walk or jog through town. Maybe some day we can beautify more of the lot, and even develop a park green space.

Clearwater also has a developing organic herb and vegetable garden and an orchard at our sanctuary. It supplies food for our animals, volunteers, and the local deer, rabbits and birds. We share! Our newest garden is a memorial garden for those of our community who have moved beyond.

> Clearwater Community Like to Volunteer? Attend Classes? Become Part of a Movement for Good. Good for Animals Good for the Planet Good for You and Your Community:

Click yes for an application

Yes

Or email info@clearwatersanctuary.org



April 2024 Schedule A place of refuge for people and animals

Classes~ Services~ Events For More Information or to register: Call 985 630-1009 or Email info@clearwatersanctuary.org



Rehabilitators Maria Edge and Kaitlin Fahlgrin, a Tulane intern, build the new raccoon condo



Barbara and Clayton Overton preparing the ground for our new memorial garden

Mondays:

8am- Noon: Wildlife Admissions 9am-3pm; Wildlife Training 3pm- 6pm: Private Yoga Classes

Tuesdays:

8am-Noon: Wildlife Admissions 9am-3pm: Wildlife Training 4pm- 4:45pm: Lojong Mind **Training & Meditation, Zoom** 5pm-5:45pm Monthly Board Meeting 6:00pm-6:40pm: Pantanjali's Yoga Sutras & Meditation, Zoom Wednesdays: 8am- Noon: Wildlife Admissions 9am-3pm Wildlife Training 7pm- 8:15pmpm: Samten Choling **Dharma Group with Zilkar Rinpoche**, **Zoom Thursdavs:** 8am-Noon: Wildlife Admissions 9am-3pm: Wildlife Training 4pm-4:45pm:Centering Prayer,

Fridays:

Zoom

8am-Noon: Wildlife Admissions 9am-3pm: Wildlife Training 11am- Noon: Walking Group

Saturdays:

8am-Noon: Wildlife Admissions 9am-Noon: Wildlife Training 1pm-2:30pm: Dharma Group & Meditation

2:30pm-3:00pm: Karma Yoga 3:15pm- 4:30pm: Hatha Yoga



Pat Blanchar, Stephanie Dribus, and Leslie Gates feeding infant squirrels



Drepung monks blessing the sanctuary

Zilkar Rinpoche teaching in Mahamudra retreat. He will return from Taiwan in July to teach us again.

April Wildlife Album

We know that people who entrust their animals to us like to see their rescues. We upload a sampling of current patients each month. Do you recognize yours? They grow fast!

Sundays:

9am-11am: Wildlife Admissions 9am-Noon: Wildlife Training April Community Service Day: Sunday, April 14th, Noon-4pm

Upcoming Retreats: Yoga Retreat: Friday, April,26th,11am--Saturday, April 27th,11am Sacred Text Meditation Retreat: Friday, May 17th -Sunday, May, 19th

There is no charge for community groups or classes. People offer a donation they are comfortable with giving.

For more Information or RSVP <u>info@clearwatersanctuary.org</u> or call 985 630-1009









































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