About Us

Owned and operated by the West Irondequoit School District, Helmer Nature Center fosters reciprocal relationships in community with the living world to create a thriving future for all. To provide opportunities for families and individuals to participate in fun and educational activities, **HNC offers a Friends of Helmer Nature Center program**. Everyone is invited to join and share the excitement. Typically, our events include family activities, outdoor recreation, lectures, wildlife presentations and other special events such as the annual Fall Fest, Team Trivia, and Maple Weekend. Look for activities and programs every month. as a ***Friend of Helmer*** you will not only help to support these offerings, but also enjoy benefits including discounts and special Friends Only opportunities.

Additionally, membership provides Helmer Nature Center with much needed financial and moral support for the staff, the facilities and the programs.

Benefits

Your contribution will aid in supporting local conservation & environmental education efforts.

All Levels receive:

- ***A membership card and car decal.***
- ***Discounts*** to annual Pancake Breakfast and many other HNC sponsored programs.
- ***Free admissions*** and discounts at nature centers across the U.S. through the ***ANCA Reciprocal Fee Admission Program.***
- ***1 Free Saturday Snowshoe*** per calendar year. Willow level and above enjoy a FREE snowshoe for the entire family.
- ***One visit to our animal/resource room, by appointment only.***
- ***10-15% discount on Real Maple Syrup*** when purchased through the nature center

Tulip Tree receives all of the above and:

- One bag of ***Sips Maple Coffee*** OR one pint of ***Schoffs Maple Syrup***

White Oak receives all of the above and:

- One pair of ***HNC Socks***

Sugar Maple receives all of the above and:

- One ***HNC Blanket***

Serviceberry receives all of the above and:

- A copy of ***The Serviceberry*** by Robin Wall Kimmerer



Registration Form

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Address: _____

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Email Address: _____

Amount Enclosed $ _____
Please make checks payable to:
Helmer Nature Center
154 Pinegrove Avenue
Rochester, New York 14617-2627

Donations are tax deductible as per federal guidelines.

What types of programs are you interested in attending?

Do you have any skills or talents you would like to share with us?

Levels

- ☐ **$20.00 Sapling (Student)**
- ☐ **$25.00 White Pine (Individual)**
- ☐ **$40.00 Willow (Family)**
- ☐ **$50.00 Sassafras**
- ☐ **$75.00 Tulip Tree**
- ☐ **$100.00 White Oak**
- ☐ **$250.00 Sugar Maple**
- ☐ **$500.00 Serviceberry**

f you are interested in joining as a **Partner in Nature-Based Learning**, with a donation of larger than $500, please contact us at HelmerNatureCenter@gmail.com