

A Life-Shaping Week: The Outdoor Education Experience

Educators, social scientists, and medical professionals have only recently begun to understand that immersion in the natural world is a vital part of a child's development. Yet, children today spend less time engaged in nature than likely any other time in human history. Writer Richard Louv coined a term to describe this consequence of a childhood divorced from nature and the outside world, calling it "Nature Deficit Disorder."

Recently, the online journal education.com published a special issue on the topic of Nature Deficit Disorder. Included were articles to help parents and educators understand, diagnose, and solve it. Glen Director Nick Boutis and Outdoor Education Center Director Beth Krisko wrote about residential environmental education, and its importance in shaping a child's future. Our article as submitted is excerpted below.

True story: It's a Friday afternoon, and a teacher is watching her sixth grade class file onto a school bus to head home for the weekend. Suddenly, a boy halfway up the steps of the bus turns to face the teacher, and blurts out...

"I don't want to leave!"

Unlikely? Impossible?

Nope – just the end of another typical school week in Glen Helen – one of over 400 residential environmental learning centers spread throughout the country.

For over fifty years, children have been taking part in the life-shaping rite of a week at the Glen Helen "Schoolcamp." Begun with the simple notion that kids learn better when they learn in nature, the Schoolcamp experience has blossomed to become what many regard as the most memorable week of their school years.

Just consider what that boy and his classmates experienced over their week in



Visiting the Yellow Spring

Glen Helen – a thousand-acre preserve in Southwestern Ohio. There are twenty five miles of trails in the Glen, and the class walked many of them. They studied geology by examining limestone layers carved by glacial runoff, learned about botany while watching the trees sway in the pine forest, and explored the water cycle along the banks of the Yellow Springs Creek.

On the last night of their week, the class joined their naturalist on a nocturnal hike in the Glen. It was the first time any of them had been outside, in the woods, at night.

Nervous at first, the children gradually grew comfortable with their surroundings. Keeping quiet, they heard no voices, cars, or other trappings of civilization. Instead, they grew attuned to the sound of the breeze through the trees, the noises of crickets and tree frogs, and the sound of their own breath. And they learned the most important lesson that the Schoolcamp works to teach – that we are part of our environment, and that our environment can support and nurture us if we do the same for it.

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Director's Report



Nick Boutis

All of us who share a passion for Glen Helen have eagerly awaited news on the fate of Antioch College. The Glen and Antioch share an intertwined fate, since Glen Helen exists solely because Hugh Taylor Birch donated it to Antioch College as a living memorial to his daughter Helen.

For anyone not familiar with the story, here is a quick 100 word synopsis: Over the 80 years since the creation of the Glen, Antioch College developed a reputation as one of the most rigorous and respected liberal arts colleges in the nation. That success enabled it to grow to become Antioch University, with campuses around the country in addition to the historic College campus in Yellow Springs. Around 40 years ago, the College began a slow decline, which culminated in 2007 with the plan to suspend its operations. Since then, a group of alumni, organized as the Antioch College Continuation Corporation, have been working with the University to separate and reestablish Antioch College.

Now, we have news.

On June 29, the boards of Antioch University and the Antioch College Continuation Corporation approved a set of agreements for the creation of an independent Antioch College, including transfer of the campus and endowment, and including Glen Helen.

We already look forward to the day when future generations of Antioch students are able to bring their intellect and energy to bear toward the ecological mission of Glen Helen.

Please know that the agreement will not be finalized until sometime after this issue of In the Glen goes to press. I invite you to visit Glenhelen.org, Antioch.edu, or the new website of Antioch College, antiochcollege.org, where you will be able to learn more details as they become settled.

For now, we remain confident in the knowledge that everyone involved, whether they are affiliated with Antioch University or the Antioch College Continuation Corporation, shares the understanding that our commitment to Glen Helen is a sacred trust.

– Nick Boutis (nboutis@glenhelen.org)

Announcements

Honeysuckle Daze Coming to Glen Helen

There is nothing quite like the feeling of joy and empowerment that you get from spending a day cutting invasive honeysuckle. Not only is it great for getting your blood pumping, our removal efforts are paying off as native plants emerge from under their honeysuckle chokehold.

Acres of honeysuckle will fall on November 14th, but we need your help to make it happen! Mid-November is one of the best times to attack honeysuckle, because most self-respecting trees and wildflowers have gone dormant for the winter by then. But honeysuckle is still green, and easy for even novices to identify.

This year, we will have multiple teams at work in various parts of the Glen. We'll even provide snacks and drinks. Come out for an hour or a day. No prior experience necessary. Please wear gloves and rugged clothes, and bring loppers or bowsaws if you have them. To help us plan, please register at 937-769-1907 or jeff@glenhelen.org.

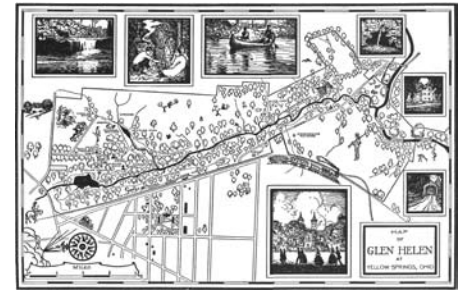
Mark your calendar for Saturday, November 14th. Crews will be departing from Trailside Museum starting at 9 am, and ending by 3 pm.

Calling all Federal Employees

The Combined Federal Campaign is a charity payroll deduction program for federal employees – from the Air Force to the Post Office, to the National Park Service. The Glen Helen Association is participating in all three Combined Federal Campaigns in our region: Miami Valley, Cincinnati and Columbus. The Glen Helen Association identification number has not yet been assigned; however, we will be listed in each of these campaigns, please look for us. Your contributions are very important and greatly appreciated!

Historic Map Available

Sometime around 1930 – not long after Glen Helen was created, the Antioch Company produced a relief printing plate depicting the map of the Glen. The map labeled features such as the "Balanced Rock," "Sunken Garden," and "Underground Railroad." Pen and ink drawings around the border included images



Glen Helen Historical Map

of The Cascades, canoeists, and the Yellow Spring grotto. It is believed that the map was originally designed to be a placemat in the Antioch College dining hall.

Fast-forward eighty years, to the rediscovery of the map. When the Antioch Company closed, its archives were given to the Yellow Springs Historical Society. The Historical Society, seeing this beautiful map, knew that it deserved to be reprinted.

A limited edition of 250 prints have been made, and evenly divided between the Historical Society and the Glen Helen Association. Each impression is printed on 12- by 17-inch hand-made Okawara paper.

Unframed prints are available at the Nature Shop for \$100; also available are framed maps for \$225 and \$230. This map is beautiful and a treasure to own, to enjoy and pass to younger family members.

Art in the Atrium

The Art Committee is scheduling Glen Building atrium exhibits for April 2010 and beyond, and we are looking to showcase nature-themed work from talented artists in a variety of media. Would you like your paintings, photographs, quilts, sculptures, etc. to be considered?

To apply for a showing, please submit your application to exhibit in writing including your biography, ten photographs and your Website URL to the Glen Helen Art Committee, 405 Corry Street, Yellow Springs, OH 45387, or GHA@glenhelen.org

Spotlight on Fall Events

Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, September 6 (9 am-1 pm)
Glen Helen Outdoor Education Center Lodge,
1075 State Route 343

Start your day with the annual gathering that brings together delicious blueberry

pancakes, live music, and old and new friends. The Glen Helen Association Pancake Breakfast is loads of fun for everyone who attends. New this year, we'll have improved coffee making capacity to keep you "topped off!" Once again, spectacular dahlias from Bruce Cornett will be available for you to take home. (\$7; free for children five and under)

Raptor Center Open House

Sunday, Oct. 18, 2-4 pm
Glen Helen Raptor Center, 1075 State Route 343

Staff members will have birds out for close-up introductions and photo opportunities. This is your chance to meet our staff and resident raptors, learn about our programs, and see our rehabilitation flight cages.

Honeysuckle Daze

Saturday, November 14, 9 am to 3 pm (Rain date: November 15)

Starting from Trailside Museum 505 Corry St.

Do your part to "chip away" at the Glen's giant invasive headache. Join scores of others as we work to remove invasive honeysuckle from Glen Helen. There are few things as satisfying as seeing the natural woodland emerge from under its honeysuckle noose. No experience needed. Come expecting to work hard, have fun, and make a *big difference*.

Nature Arts and Crafts Show



Glen Helen Building,
405 Corry St.

Saturday November 21
(9 am to 5 pm)

Sunday, November 22
(11 am to 5 pm)

This two-day event
at the Glen building
will be packed with
locally, regionally,

and nationally recognized artists with their booths displayed with unique nature-themed work, ready for personal and holiday gifts. Also featured will be a silent auction and refreshments. (\$4 admission. Check your mailbox, the *Yellow Springs News*, or www.glenhelen.org for a coupon worth \$2 off admission.)

Fall at a Glance – Upcoming Events

September 2009

Art in the Atrium: Kenneth A. Brown (September 1 - November 15)

Bird In Hand: An intimate photographic look into the lives of birds. Glen Building Atrium; Hours: Mon-Fri 9:30 am-4:30 pm & Sat-Sun 10 am-4 pm.

Full Moon Hike (Thurs., September 3)

Experience the Glen during our only nighttime excursion! Departs Trailside Museum at 8:30 pm.

Glen Helen Association Pancake Breakfast (Sun., September 6)

Start your day with delicious blueberry pancakes, live music, and a great time visiting with friends. Glen Helen Outdoor Education Center lodge, 1075 State Route 343 from 9 am to 1 pm.

Nature Poetry Hike (Sat., September 12)

Join resident poet Rebecca Ingebo for a whimsical literary tour of the Glen! Departs from Trailside Museum at 9 am.

Fall Migration Birding (Sun., September 13)

Join Glen Helen Executive Director Nick Boutis as we search the Glen for migrant birds. Departs from Grinnell Mill, 3536 Bryan Park Road, at 9 am.

Reptile Feeding (Sat., September 19)

An interactive program with our resident reptiles. Trailside Museum, 11 am.

Everything Edible & Useful Plant Hike (Sat., September 19)

Join Glen plant expert Dave Jansen for an informative botanical stroll! Departs from Trailside Museum at 2 pm.

Autumnal Equinox Hike (Sat., September 19)

Celebrate the arrival of fall with your favorite nature preserve! Departs from Trailside Museum at 10 am.

Fall Flowers Hike (Sat., September 26)

Join our Glen Guide as we look for fall buds and blooms. Departs from Trailside Museum at 10 am.

October 2009

Full Moon Hike (Sat., October 2)

Experience the Glen during our only nighttime excursion! Departs from the Yellow Spring parking lot off SR 343 at 7:30 pm.

Late Fall Migration Birding (Sun., October 3)

Join Glen Helen Executive Director Nick Boutis as we search the Glen for migrant birds. Departs from Trailside Museum at 10 am.

Fall Flowers Hike (Sat., October 10)

Join our Glen Guide as we look for fall buds and blooms. Departs from Trailside Museum at 10 am.

Yellow Springs Street Fair (Sat., October 10)

Visit the Glen Helen Association booth for a hot off the press copy of our 2010 wall calendar, a free map of the Glen, or a wide variety of Nature Shop merchandise. Downtown Yellow Springs in front of the Emporium, 9 am to 5 pm.

Glen Helen Association Bird Seed Sale (Sat., October 17)

A great way to care for our feathered friends while

supporting the Glen. We'll offer discounts on all items related to birds – plus, if you wish, "bank" your seed with us so that you're ready to feed the birds all winter long. Glen Helen Association members should watch their mailbox for the sale flyer. Glen Helen Building, 9:30 am to 4:30 pm.

Reptile Feeding (Sat., October 17)

An interactive program featuring our resident reptiles. Trailside Museum, 11 am.

Nature Photography Hike (Sat., October 24)

Bring your cameras as we visit several Glen photography attractions! Departs from Trailside Museum at 10 am.

Everything Edible & Useful Plant Hike (Sat., October 24)

Join Glen plant expert Dave Jansen for an informative botanical stroll! Departs from Trailside Museum at 2 pm.

November 2009

Full Moon Hike (Sun., November 1)

Experience the Glen during our only nighttime excursion! Departs from the Yellow Spring parking lot off SR 343 at 6:30 pm.

Fall Meditations Hike (Sat., November 7)

Ruminant on the joys of autumn with Volunteer Coordinator Jeff Robertson. Departs from Trailside Museum at 10 am.

Everything Edible & Useful Plant Walk (Sat., November 7)

Join Glen expert Dave Jansen for an informative botanical stroll! Departs from Trailside Museum at 2 pm.

Honeysuckle Removal Day (Sat., November 14)

Come help us clear our precious Glen from invasive honeysuckle! Please bring gloves and water, no experience necessary. Meet at Trailside Museum starting at 9 am on Saturday the 14th. In case of inclement weather, Sunday the 15th will be a make-up day.

Reptile Feeding (Sat., November 14)

An interactive program featuring our resident reptiles. Trailside Museum, 11 am.

Holiday Shop-Around (Sat., November 14)

Find items from the Glen Helen Nature Shop and a variety of other museum gift shops at this unique annual event, taking place at the Aullwood Audubon Center and Farm in Vandalia, Ohio, 9 am to 5 pm.

Nature Arts & Crafts Show (Sat. & Sun., November 21 & 22)

Come experience a truly unique and special annual Glen Helen event! Saturday, November 21, 9 am-5 pm; Sunday, November 22, 11 am-5 pm. Glen Helen Building.

Art in the Atrium: Fran LaSalle, Quilts and Geno Luketic, Ceramics (November 27–December 23)

Many of their pieces will be priced for gift giving. Reception Dec. 6 from 4-6 p.m. Hours: Mon-Fri 9:30 am-4:30 pm & Sat-Sun 10 am-4 pm.

Check glenhelen.org for the latest information!

A Life-Shaping Week (continued from page 1)

At residential facilities elsewhere in the country, the geography and the environment may change, but the concept is the same. Children – usually anywhere from 4th through 7th grade, spend three to five days immersed in outdoor education centered by state-prescribed academic content standards.

For many students, especially those from the inner city, an outdoor experience represents the first chance in their lives to walk down a trail, touch a snake, or watch the stars at night.

For much of the curriculum, especially components relating to earth science, life science, physical geography, regional history, and field-enhanced mathematics, the experiential lessons of the Schoolcamp have proven ideal for teaching vital content that is not easily taught in a traditional classroom setting.

For many students, especially those from the inner city, an outdoor experience represents the first chance in their lives to walk down a trail, touch a snake, or watch the stars at night. It is also often the first time that they are exposed to options that empower them to take care of themselves, from walking for exercise to eating low on the food chain. They emerge with a deeper understanding of the environment, their community, and their role within each.

This is not simply a matter of opinion. Recent research corroborates what we know in our hearts: outdoor education enriches children's lives in fundamental ways: Children that get opportunities to learn and play in the outdoors have longer attention spans, are more creative and have higher levels of self-confidence. These kids will generally do better on standardized testing and enjoy more academic success. Outdoor learning experiences are linked to significant improvements in cognitive development, self-discipline, imaginative and creative expression, language skills, and social interactions.

The residential component is key in all this. Although there is value in outdoor experiences of any duration, you can perceive a shift that happens in kids as a Schoolcamp



Campers on a stream study

week goes on. It is not simply that an educator can teach more during a four-day residential stay compared to a two-hour field trip – although that is surely a factor. Rather, this shift has more to do with what we call “nature-induced maturity.” That extended time in the outdoors helps kids slow down, relax, and think with more clarity.

Evaluations have shown that the experience is an example of “sticky learning.” Not only do students learn concepts not easily taught in a classroom setting, they hold onto what they learn – often for years.

Unfortunately, American children spend more and more time indoors than ever before. At home they are enticed indoors by the lure of television or computer games, and they are kept inside out of concerns for their safety or the legitimate lack of

accessible parks in their neighborhoods. At school children find limited opportunities for outdoor learning, while school field trips are reduced due to shrinking budgets.

Despite the proven value of the Schoolcamp experience, most schools don't participate in such programs. As parents or concerned citizens, it can be our responsibility to be the “squeaky wheel” that pushes our kids' schools to participate. Participation in programs like the Glen Helen Schoolcamp produces a lifetime of benefit for children and their communities.

– Nick Boutis (nboutis@glenhelen.org) and
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The full Nature Deficit Disorder edition of the education.com journal can be found online at <http://www.education.com/topic/nature-deficit-disorder/>

Outdoor Education Center

New Field Journal will Enhance Outdoor Education Experience

When scientists are in the field they often keep a journal to record observations, collect data, list questions, form new ideas, and record their own reactions and feelings. Just like a pair of binoculars or a compass, field journals are an important tool in field study and exploration.



The new Student Field Journal

The Glen Helen Student Field Journal was recently developed for the Schoolcamp program, and is awaiting introduction to students and teachers this fall. Designed to complement and enhance the experiential learning on the trails of the Glen, Naturalists will use the booklet to guide students on investigations and prompt discovery.

Students will strengthen science process skills through recording observations of the natural environment, collecting data, hypothesizing, and predicting. Students will also record their ideas and feelings about their experiences in nature.

With objectives for each journal topic corresponding to state standards, teachers will find the journal a convenient assessment tool for the learning that took place at the Glen. For the student, the journal will serve as a treasured memento of their time at Glen Helen, a remembrance of the lessons learned and new ideas embraced, and a valuable reminder of the wonders of nature.

In Appreciation

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A Second Chance for Youngsters

It has been a busy, but successful season with young birds. Of the sixty raptors admitted since the last newsletter, forty-six were this year's young, either nestlings or fledglings. Screech-owls topped the list with nineteen arrivals. Fifteen of those were youngsters that came in when trees were cut down, after attacks by cats or other birds, or when they stayed on the ground too long in unsafe places. We released twelve of them after they were flying well and had the opportunity to catch live prey in our flight cages.

Of the ten great horned owls admitted, four were juveniles. One was too injured to survive, but the other three were released, one nestling to a foster nest site in Hamilton County, and the other two back to their original nest sites in Dayton and Eaton. The people who found them didn't realize they were what are called "branchers," old enough to be out of the nest, but not able to fly. Their parents continue to protect them and feed them until they can fly and get enough food on their own. Since that takes a long time for large owls, it is important for them to be with parents.

We had two young barred owls that couldn't be returned to their parents, so decided to hack them in the Glen, as we had done in other years. Hacking involves acclimating the birds to a site when they are young, and providing food for them there, until they are able to hunt on their own. This process took an unexpected turn, on the owlets' first night out, when an adult barred owl appeared and apparently adopted them. We could hear them in the area, but they didn't take any of our offered food.

The next hacking attempt, this time with young Cooper's hawks, went according to plan. Three birds were reported at a logging operation in Ross County as "baby eagles." One died of its injuries, but the other two thrived. Then before we could place them,



Three of the nestling Cooper's hawks that were released in the Glen.

we had a report of another "baby eagle." This call came after tree trimmers had stopped for gas in Beavercreek and an attendant noticed a bird in the pile of branches in the back of the truck. It was another Cooper's hawk. We decided to hack them since it would have been difficult to find suitable foster sites for all three.

The hawks were still young enough to be in a nest, so we put a container in a tree, and put them in it with food. The container was easily reached by a ladder, and in a location where their activities could be monitored. The oldest hawk hopped out of the container and went up onto branches immediately, which isn't what we wanted, but at least he was still within sight of the container. Fortunately, the other two stayed in the container long enough to associate it with food, and for the oldest one to see them eat there. This was working so well that when two more hawks came in three weeks later, we decided to put them there, also. The final result is a healthy clutch of five young Cooper's hawks from four sets of parents, now flying around together and calling the Glen home.

Three fledgling peregrines had short stays with us. Oakley, from Dayton, spent one

night, and Jet, from Columbus, spent two nights before being returned to buildings in their respective cities. Garfield, from Cincinnati, spent a week in our large flight cage before returning to his family.

Unfortunately, the number of American kestrel admissions was even lower this year than last for us, with only six young falcons admitted. Migration counts, breeding bird surveys, Christmas bird counts, and regional nest box programs are also indicating the decline. No one is quite sure what is causing it, but researchers have mentioned several factors such as contaminants, forest succession, increased predation, and exposure to West Nile virus. The University of Minnesota has launched a citizen science project called Kestrel Watch to get more information on the population. They are asking people to record observations of birds on their website (<http://kestrelwatch.ahc.umn.edu>). Hopefully, with more research, some of the causes can be confirmed, and possible solutions found.

— Betty Ross (bross@glenhelen.org)

Our Adoption Program

The adoption fee is \$100 per year; a photo and certificate will be sent, and a sign will be placed at the bird's cage. You may also request a visit with your bird to a school, scout pack, club, office, or home. The money helps to support not only the adopted bird, but all the birds that come into the Raptor Center needing help. An adoption is a wonderful way for a group to help the Raptor Center, or makes a unique anniversary, birthday, holiday, or memorial gift for someone special.

Thank you for these renewals:

Clark County Audubon
Ruth Cowperthwaite (2 birds)
Greg and Lorena Helentjaris (2 birds)
Kristensen Family
Katherine Rylien

Welcome to our adoption family:

Battino Grandchildren
Marburn Academy, Room 14
Gurney Oxindine
Chase Thompson
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Upcoming Events

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GHA Notes

Charitable Gift Annuities

Have you heard of a Charitable Gift Annuity? The Charitable Gift Annuity is a remarkable instrument that acts as a retirement fund and a planned gift rolled into one – it benefits the donor and a charity. More specifically, it provides you, the donor, with income AND gives you a charitable tax deduction up front. It provides Glen Helen critical funding for perpetuity.

What's more, the annuity amount is fixed and will not change regardless of market conditions.

Here is how it works: Foundations that hold Glen Helen Association endowments act as administrators. The foundation receives your investment and distributes quarterly payments to you, for life, at a predetermined rate. At the end of your life the remainder of your investment is deposited into a Glen Helen Association fund at the foundation. The variables are your age, your tax bracket, and the amount and type of your gift.

Charitable Gift Annuities can be customized to help them meet your needs. They can be set up for spouses, so that payments continue after the death of one spouse. They can also be set up so that payments can begin immediately or deferred until a later time.

Here is an example:

Jane Doe, who is 70 and unmarried, deposits \$100,000 at the Dayton Foundation. Her predetermined annuity rate is 5.70%, meaning that she receives \$5,700 annually for life. Of this \$5,700, \$3,830.40 is tax-free (until 2024). Upon Jane's death the remaining gift will pass to the Glen Helen Association fund at the Foundation with no probate fees and no estate taxes. In addition to the revenue that Jane receives from the annuity, she is able to take an up-front income tax deduction of \$39,090, and has positioned herself to leave the Glen Helen Association approximately \$50,000.

The Charitable Gift Annuity is most appropriate for and attractive to seniors. Foundations may have a minimum for the gift amount; for instance the Springfield Foundation's minimum is \$25,000. Charitable Gift Annuities are irrevocable contracts, and the Glen Helen Association highly recommends that you obtain advice from your attorney or tax advisor.

Suzanne Patterson, GHA@glenhelen.org

From the Glen Helen Nature Shop

For the nature lover in your family, or just for yourself, do your shopping at the Nature Shop in the Glen Helen Building, 405 Corry St., Yellow Springs.

It's open Monday-Friday, 9:30 to 4:30, Saturday-Sunday, 10 to 4. Call 937-769-1902.

All proceeds support Glen Helen. Puppeteers of all ages love these vivid, colorful, engaging representations of animals. Our puppets range in sizes from miniature ones that fit perfectly on a finger, to larger, and more elaborate hand puppets – all designed with a naturalist's eye for detail.

The newest of this collection is a special series of short-bodied hand puppets designed to be used behind a stage. Prices start at just \$5.95!





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- Lanterns
- Wheelbarrow
- Metal pitchforks
- Hammer
- Drill with bits
- Fresh batteries (all sizes)
- Petsmart gift card
- Home Depot or Lowe's gift card
- Paraffin wax
- Refrigerator
- Joann Fabrics gift card
- Photo printing paper
- DVD player

Please call or e-mail Beth Krisko (bkrisko@glenhelen.org, 937-767-7648) to arrange a time for pick up or drop off.

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