



Bearnstow

On Parker Pond, Mount Vernon Maine

**A Natural History Week at Bearnstow
June 19–23, 2017**

Program for Friday, June 23



Kevin Doran takes core sample from tree trunk to estimate age.

MORNING SESSION: 10:30 A.M.

“Maine Woods: Finding the Right Balance”

Dr. Kevin Doran, Natural Science Educator, Maine Forest Service

This outdoor session will provide an overview of Maine’s woods as well as woods in your backyard. Participants will take a walk in the woods surrounding the camp, exploring tree types, forest types, and past and current land usage. The balance between landowner objectives—economic, ecological, wildlife habitat, recreation, and aesthetics—will be discussed. We will explore current efforts to manage and conserve Maine forest land, along with opportunities and threats.



Kevin Doran has been a Natural Science Educator for the Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Maine Forestry Service, since 1999. Beyond the forest service, Kevin is part of the faculty of the University of Southern Maine, where he teaches in the Master’s in Adult and Higher Education Program. He holds a B.S. from SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry, M.S. in Adult and Higher Education from the University of Southern Maine, and a doctorate in Adult Education from Nova Southeastern University, Fischler School of Education and Human Services.

In his role as Natural Science educator his job entails developing and delivering forest-based programs, workshops, and materials for students, teachers, and natural resource professionals, forest owners, and the general public throughout the state. Of his position at the forest service, he says, “I feel I have the best job in state government.”

Admission is free, but contributions from guests for the nature walks and presentations are greatly appreciated. Please reserve for any event by calling 293-2280 after June 15. Lunch is also available (\$10) during the full-day programs. Bearnstow is located at 84 Bearnstow Road in Mount Vernon. See www.bearnstow.org/contact.htm for directions to Bearnstow.