

My Earth Day Article! By Lucie E. B. Robert

It's that time of year again. Spring. The flowers are blooming and the bees are just coming out of hibernation (For some of us, this means get out the Benadryl) but it's a beautiful season none the less. There is another thing that comes with this verdant season. Earth Day. For the most part, Natick is pretty good about the holidays, the 4th of July and the December celebrations are most certainly not forgotten, but no one has done a thing for Earth Day. It's changing now though. For the first time in almost 20 years a Natick Earth Day Festival will be going on at the common (the 22nd of April). Burritos courtesy of Bolocos is just one reason to come. The atmosphere will be provided by a band from Walnut Hill and an acoustic group. There will be a live Birds of prey presentation with over 6 live birds at 12 p.m. (sponsored by Roche Bros). And the High School speech team will do a dramatic reading of The Lorax (I speak for the trees!). If you have not already stuffed yourself with burritos, you can visit the Natick Community Organic Farm who will be selling popcorn and have live bunnies for us to enjoy. Green crafts are all the rage and that fad isn't overlooked, the High School environmental club will be doing recycled crafts. Spring Cleaning is coming up and they got you covered by Watjen home organizing who will be there giving tips on Eco-cleaning and super easy ways to make your own non-toxic supplies. There will be face painting and tattooing (non-permanent!) for the little guys and a Hybrid car to encourage those future drivers to a greener choice. The easiest thing to help save the earth is simply installing energy efficient light bulbs. The Natick High School Robotic team will be selling E-Watt saver bulbs, so take a few home! And that's just to list a few things! You want to know what else is at Natick Earth Day? Well I guess you will just have to come and see on April 22, 11:00-3:00 on the Natick common, rain or shine. Also, visit their website at <http://natickearthday.pbworks.com>. Hope to see you there!