

EARTH ANGELS OF VT, INC.

DBA **MAGICAL EARTH RETREATS**



**ANNUAL REPORT 2015**

How Nature Nurtures Creativity!





**JULY 2015**

Camp at the Boyd Family Farm

## SUMMER EARTH ADVENTURES: DAY CAMPS

Teaching children how nature  
nurtures creativity!

We held three week-long day camps. The  
break down of children participation was:

5 paying children

3 scholarships

1 junior counselor

We would like to thank our partners:

Boyd Family Farm

The Pool Learning Center

Brattleboro Parks and Recreation



## SUMMER EARTH ADVENTURES: DAY CAMPS

How it all comes together

Magical Earth Retreats employs teachers to help with the camps. Rebecca Sweeney has been with us for two years now. She brings a wealth of knowledge and science to our days.

Carrie Blake will join us for a week this year.

Jane May Jones sets the programming up and leads the camps with the help of these wonderful people.



**BOYD FAMILY FARM**  
"Masked Peeps"

## LITERACY AND NATURE "Drawing a Map"



## LITERACY AND NATURE

A pilot program with libraries

In 2015 Magical Earth Retreats teamed up with the Readsboro Library to run a 4-week half day nature and literacy program. We chose some books and set the program around the story or content of the book.

During this particular program we chose a book about a group of children camping and the precautions they took, the equipment they needed and the knowledge of their camping environment. We learned about mapping, trees, animals, insects and more.

This program will be expanded on in the next couple of years.

## ADULT RETREATS

Root Strength 2015: A Women's Retreat

Our first adult retreat is scheduled and we have women signed up. This retreat will help the beautiful ladies take charge of their root strength through meditation, yoga, introspection and coming together in circle. All food and accommodation will be included in the registration fees.

This retreat will be co-facilitated by Julia Zema and Jane May Jones.

The connection with nature will help the participants find the strength and peace they are searching for.



**ROOT STRENGTH**  
"A Women's Retreat"

### STORY TIME

"In the children's 'nest'"



### SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Every year we give scholarships!

It is our goal to have as many scholarships as possible. We raise funds year round to enable children from families in need to come to our camps. The registered children and our fund raising enable us to provide a magical experience for our participants.

In 2015 we offered 37 scholarships to children as well as two partial scholarships.

You may donate on our web site at:

[www.MagicalEarthRetreats.com](http://www.MagicalEarthRetreats.com).

### SCHOOL FIELD TRIPS

2015 marked the first of many!

The 7/8th grade in Readsboro Central School hired Magical Earth Retreats to run a field trip for their class.

We hiked/walked in a local state forest. We talked about being friendly to the earth and all living things, we picked up trash along the way and learned about the different flora and fauna along our path. We gathered natural objects to take back to the class room to create arts and crafts.

The program was well received by the teacher and I have already had a new request from another teacher.



### CRAFT TIME

"How nature nurtures creativity"

### SUMMER CAM[P]

"Fun in the mud"



### OTHER PROGRAMS

These are the other offerings available

- birthday parties
- after school programs
- teen retreats
- family retreats
- fishing education
- and more.....

## Introduction to Magical Earth Retreats

### “Our Story”

The video is on our Youtube Channel at the link below:

[Introduction and Our Story](#)





## FUND RAISING

What has been successful!

Magical Earth Retreats has done direct mailings to like-minded, socially responsible individuals and companies and also to previous parents.

In 2015 we are planning our first major fundraisers in association with the Pool Learning Center in Marlboro, Vermont. Our goals are aligned in that they have a scholarship program for children with dyslexia and other learning differences.

The results of these fund raising efforts along with the the paying participants allow us to offer so many scholarships.



**FOSTER CHILDREN IN ST. MARTIN**

## LITERACY AND NATURE "Drawing a Map"



## YOUNG ADVENTURERS

2015 has been our best year yet!

We hosted the following number of children:

Summer Earth Adventures (day camps): 16

Nature and Literacy Program: 16

Foster children in St. Martin: 17

Field Trip: 8

## THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS SUPPORTERS!

These are the generous corporations and individuals who have made 2015 a success!

Rotary of St. Maarten Sunrise

New Chapter

Catamount Carpet Cleaning

Readsboro Lions Club

Chroma Technology Corp

Catherine Michaud

David and Melanie Degiorgis

Gary Henry Corp.

Jacob and Felicia Bell



**ROCK ART INSTALLATIONS**  
"Magical Lizard"

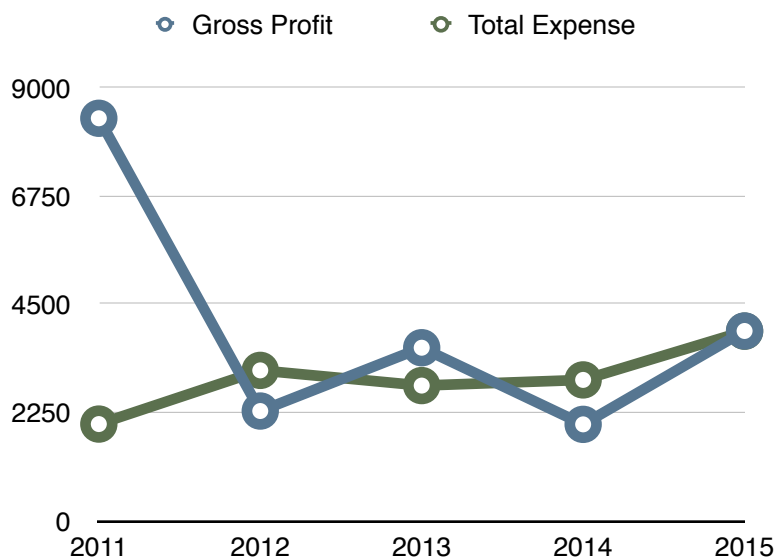
## PROFIT AND LOSS

Growth is envisioned

After five years of operation we are starting to see improvement in our bottom line.

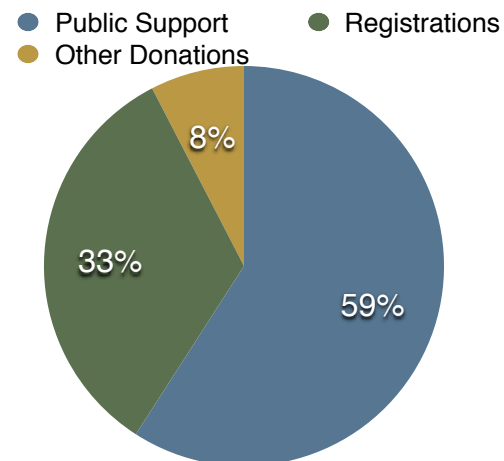
Please note that in 2011 we received several large donations from family members. As such that skews the data a little for the five year period.

In 2015 and 2016 we are planning some fund raising events in association with the Pool Learning Center; enabling us to increase the number of children attending our programs on scholarships.



**INCOME AND EXPENSE**  
"2011-2015"

## INCOME CHART



## INCOME

Increasing fund raising efforts

In 2015 we raised over \$2000 for our scholarship program an increase of more than 300%. It is our goal to increase this exponentially in the next few years. This will enable us to increase the number of scholarships dramatically.

We also increased the amount of registration fees by adding more summer camps and introducing our Root Strength 2015, women's retreat and running field trips for local schools.

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