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## GREENER OCONOMOWOC ANNOUNCES FALL STUDY CIRCLES & EVENTS

**OCONOMOWOC, WI AUGUST 5TH 2009:** Greener Oconomowoc (GO) is pleased to announce the fall 2009 study circles are now open for registration. The study circles are a wonderful educational opportunity, which are open to all members of the greater Oconomowoc area. Community members are invited to participate in the study circles as they are free to the public.

Throughout August, Howard Bowman (Greener Oconomowoc study circle coordinator) will be fielding questions from interested persons about the fall study circles which will begin in September. The fall Natural Step study circles will begin with an orientation on Wednesday September 16th at 7pm at the Oconomowoc public library. Interested persons will be introduced to the book, "The Natural Step for Communities" and given an overview of topics to be discussed. Individual Study Circles will be formed at this meeting based on participants schedules; each study circle will choose a convenient day and time to meet for the following seven weeks. Issues addressed in the study circles will be, "How can we meet the needs of present development without sacrificing the future?" and "How can we better use and preserve our natural resources in Lake Country?" Study circles involve reading the book "The Natural Steps for Communities" and discussing weekly topics from the book lead by a trained facilitator. Those interested in learning more about study circles or if you would like to register to attend please contact Howard Bowman (262-354-0267 / [hbowman1@charter.net](mailto:hbowman1@charter.net)) by Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>.

Greener Oconomowoc will be hosting a family picnic on Sunday Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> at 3pm at Roosevelt Park in Oconomowoc. Please join GO members for a fun filled family picnic featuring locally sourced food (either from local gardens, the community garden project or the farmer's market). This event is open to the community, please RSVP to Bruce Hinkforth ( [bhinkforth@milwpc.com](mailto:bhinkforth@milwpc.com) or 262- 569-1370) by Wednesday September 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Greener Oconomowoc is a citizen's organization comprised of local Oconomowoc, Town of Summit, Village of Lac La Belle, Stone Bank and Hartland residents/business owners who are working together to learn more about the environment and the Natural Step framework for sustainability. To learn more about Greener Oconomowoc please go to <http://www.townandcountryrcd.org/GO.asp> or call Lisa Geason-Bauer at 262-354-0341.

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The mission of Greener Oconomowoc (GO) is to promote a healthy community, a healthy economy, and a healthy environment through the understanding and implementation of the Natural Step principles