Turning of the Seasons/Blessing of the Waters Saturday, June 16, 2018, 6:00 P.M., Shawnee Mission Park, Shelter #5,

9723-7900 Renner Rd, Lenexa, KS 66219.



Summer is the stuff of dreams. When adults sit at their desks, and children sit in school, they dream of summer. Summer is the time of infinite fun. The day seems to last forever, and the fun never stops. It is a time of romance, excitement and an enhanced enjoyment of life. Somehow summer never seems to last long enough. It is always over before we get a chance to fully experience its power. This is true of all things wonderful. They always seem too short.

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Join the Green Team for an enchanted evening of community spirit, reconnection with nature and fun as we celebrate spring turning to summer and the sacredness of water. The evening will start with two simple but elegant ceremonies. "Turning of the Seasons" begins with the "Chinook Indian Prayer" followed by the "Four Directions" ceremony, to honor our mother Earth and the coming of summer. "Blessing of the Waters" celebrates the essence and spirituality of this life giving and sustaining element for all life on planet Earth. Participants are invited to bring a **vial of water with special significance** to them, which will be contributed to a communal vessel for blessing. Afterwards, everyone is invited to take home a sample of the blessed water. Participants also are encouraged to share a **short poetry reading.**

Following the ceremonies, we will join in community for a picnic. Please bring a **covered dish and your own utensils**. Refreshments will be provided.

Music will be provided by Craig Wolfe and Randy Deutch and their music duo "Soular" (www.Soular.co). Craig had been a passionate advocate for the environment all of this life. Craig is president of the Heartland Renewable Energy Society, speaker for Al Gore's Climate Reality Project, and Communications Director for Winston Apple for Missouri. He has been active with the Sierra Club since 1988, serving as past state chair, Communications Director, newsletter editor and webmaster.

Soular (www.Soular.com) has its roots in the classic rock era of Crosby Stills Nash & Young, Jackson Browne, and The Beatles, and of course the 5-piece group Amdahl Wolfe, where Craig Wolfe and Randy Deutch first played together. Soular's tunes are inspired by helping the environment and finding a better path for our future. Of course, that path includes room for great love songs.

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