

HUNTERDON PARKS HARBINGER

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MAPLE SUGARING LIVING HISTORY

Saturday, March 18, Echo Hill, all ages, free!
(pre-registration required)
Rain date: Sunday, March 19 (check our website or call
(908) 782-1158 for cancellation information)
Session A: 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM
Session B: 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM
Session C: 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM
Session D: 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM
Session E: 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Session F: 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM
Session G: 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM
Session H: 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM
Session I: 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM
Session J: 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM



Native Americans discovered the sweet quality of sugar maple sap before written history. For hundreds, maybe even thousands of years, Native Americans would set up camp in a stand of sugar maples during the sap run. The sugar they produced was an important food for them and for the colonists, who learned the process from the Native Americans. It was only during the 1930s when maple sugar took the form we use today: syrup! Experience first-hand the North American tradition of maple sugaring at Hunterdon County's Maple Sugaring Program. You'll take a trip through time to experience the art of the sugaring process. Along the way you will see an early American Frontiersman taping his trees, visit a sugar "farmer" at his evaporator, and enjoy a Native American story about the discovery of maple sap.

School Field Trips and Other Organized Groups

By appointment February 21 through March 19, 1-hour programs available

9:00 AM to 4:30

PM, \$30 for the group.

Pre-registration required; call (908) 782-1158.

*Also available:

Maple Sugar To Go!

Let us bring Maple Sugaring to your location. 1 hour, \$55 in-County only. Call the office to schedule a program.



HOW TO CHOOSE AND PLANT A TREE

Saturday, April 15, 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM, Echo Hill, all ages, free! (pre-registration required)
Instructors: Shade Tree Commission and Patrick Eckard, Recreation Program Coordinator.
Think spring with the Hunterdon County Shade Tree Commission and Parks Division staff!
Come out to Echo Hill for a free seminar on choosing the right tree for the right location along with proper planting and aftercare. We will demonstrate an actual tree planting at the site. Bring the family and friends as we help improve our green footprint in Hunterdon County.



POINT MOUNTAIN TRAIL EVENT

Saturday, April 22, 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM, Point Mountain South: Mountain Top Road Lot, adults, free! (pre-registration required)
Join us for Earth Day as we celebrate by building a new trail spur at Point Mountain Reservation South Section. This spur will eventually connect the Point Mountain Trail System to the Crystal Springs—Teetertown Trail System with a short hike along Mount Lebanon Road. Once connected via this spur, over 20 miles of

interconnect trails will exist for the public to enjoy and explore through the Highlands of Hunterdon County. Work will consist of using loppers, clippers, and some other hand tools (no power tools). Feel free to bring your own loppers and clippers, and please dress for trail work. For additional questions, please email: tsheppard@co.hunterdon.nj.us.



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SPRING NATURE CLUB (ages 3-2nd grade)

Eight Tuesdays, March 21 to May 16 (no club April 4), Echo Hill, \$90 for all 8 lessons; accompanying adult attends for free.

Session A: 9:30 AM to 10:45 AM, ages 3 to 5 years

Session B: 1:00 PM to 2:15 PM, ages 3 to 5 years

Session C: 4:00 PM to 5:15 PM, ages kindergarten through 2nd grade

Instructor: Debra Reed, Park Naturalist.

Learn, create, play games, and explore! Our popular nature clubs will introduce your child to many exciting nature topics. Naturalist Debra Reed will guide the children during hikes as they discover the beautiful field, forest, and pond habitats at Echo Hill. Other fun hands-on activities include science experiments, games, and craft projects. The children will be able to observe the surprising changes in nature from week to week as we progress through the season. Through our explorations, children will also improve their attention to detail as we observe the colors, shapes, textures, and sounds of the natural world. Please be sure to dress your child for the outdoors so they will be able to enjoy these activities. We strongly recommend old clothes and



sneakers/boots that can get dirty. Children must be accompanied by an adult for all sessions. Siblings welcome, if registered.

TOT WALKS

Echo Hill, ages 2 to 3 with adult, each walk \$5 per child; accompanying adult attends for free, instructors Debra Reed, Park Naturalist and Laura Bush, Principal Park Naturalist.

Discover nature at your local park! Leave the strollers behind as we take a walk to learn about the nature around us. We will also do a story and craft (indoors) on the same theme. Please select a session for one or more themes.

BIRDS

Session A: Wednesday, March 22, 9:30 to 10:30 AM

Session B: Wednesday, March 22, 11:00 AM to noon

Session C: Thursday, March 23, 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM

Session D: Thursday, March 23, 11:00 AM to noon

CARING FOR THE EARTH

Session A: Wednesday, April 26, 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM

Session B: Wednesday, April 26, 11:00 AM to noon

Session C: Thursday, April 27, 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM

Session D: Thursday, April 27, 11:00 AM to noon

FROGS

Session A: Wednesday, May 10, 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM

Session B: Wednesday, May 10, 11:00 AM to noon

Session C: Thursday, May 11, 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM

Session D: Thursday, May 11, 11:00 AM to noon

Session E: Saturday, May 13, 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM



HOMESCHOOL: BIRDING

Ages 7 and up, free!, instructor Tom Sheppard, Chief Park Naturalist.

These three sessions of the Homeschool Series will take participants on field trips around the county as we focus on birds and birding through the spring season. Binoculars will be available to borrow for each session.

WATERFOWL AND THE MARSH

Wednesday, March 8, 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM, Assiscong Marsh

Our first stop will be the Assiscong Marsh as we focus on birding basics and our local waterfowl.

SONGBIRDS AND THE RIVER

Wednesday, April 19, 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM, Sunnyside

This stop will be along the South Branch of the Raritan River as we look for resident songbirds and early migrants moving along the edge habitat of the park and the river corridor.

MIGRANTS AND THE GRASSLAND

Wednesday, May 31, 8:00 AM to 9:30 AM, Hoffman Park

Our last stop will be at Hoffman Park as we walk the park looking for migrants and our breeding grassland species. Please note that an extra half hour is built into this session.



NATURE PROGRAMS (in-person)

WATERFOWL WALK

Friday, March 17, 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, Assiscong Marsh, adults, free!

Instructor: Tom Sheppard, Chief Park Naturalist.

At 24 acres in size, the Assiscong Marsh is the largest marsh in the County. It has been home to or has hosted over 200 species of waterfowl and wading birds. Join Tom Sheppard, Chief Park Naturalist, for a walk along the marsh to see what may be around on this date.

SPRING EQUINOX HIKE

Monday, March 20, 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM, Wescott Preserve (63 Strimples Mill Road, Stockton), adults, free!, Instructor: Debra Reed, Park Naturalist.

Spring is here! The Spring Equinox means that the first day of spring has finally arrived. Take some time to celebrate the new life that surrounds you in nature. Join Park Naturalist Debra Reed for a walk to see what is happening in nature during this transition from winter to spring.

STAR PROGRAM

Friday, March 24, 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM, Hoffman Park, ages 8 through adult, free!

Instructor: Tom Sheppard, Chief Park Naturalist.

Join Tom for a night of gazing into the heavens. Sky permitting, we will look at our two neighboring planets, Mars and Venus, and our closest neighbor, the Moon. We will take a look at some of the craters and other features along its crescent phase. Our remaining time will be to used to view the seasonal constellations and other sky features.



BUILD A BLUEBIRD BOX WORKSHOP

Wednesday, April 5, 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM, Echo Hill Main Lodge, ages 8 through adult, \$15 per box,

Instructor: Tom Sheppard, Chief Park Naturalist.

Welcome bluebirds to your home by building and installing a nesting box for them. We will learn about our Eastern Bluebirds and the challenges they face, and then assemble boxes together. Wood will be pre-cut and screws are provided. Please bring your own Phillips #2 screwdriver. Limit one box per family.

LICHENS ON THE ROCKS

Tuesday, April 11, 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM, Sourlands, adults, free!

Guest instructor: Dennis Waters, Lichenologist.

Many know that lichens are a fusion of an alga and a fungus and may even know the rhyme that includes a "Fun Guy." But, there is a lot more to this realm of lichens. Join us as we take a walk with Dennis Waters, Lichenologist, who has recently completed a four-year inventory of lichens throughout Hunterdon.



WOODLANDS WILDFLOWER WALK

Monday, April 17, 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM, Musconetcong Gorge Preserve (182 Dennis Road, Bloomsbury), adults, free!

Instructor: Debra Reed, Park Naturalist.

Our parks in spring are a remarkable sight; we hope you'll join us to enjoy Mother Nature. Come take a walk in the woods as we learn about the short-lived beauties that bloom in the forests at this time of year. Spot wonderful blooms and enjoy stories on this fun and informative walk. Expect a rocky trail with an uphill slope on the return.



BLUEBELLS HIKE

Monday, April 24, 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM, Bernadette Morales/

Uplands, ages 8 through adults, \$6 per person, Instructor: Laura Bush, Principal Park Naturalist.

Virginia Bluebells are one of America's favorite wildflowers. Native to our area, they bloom for a few weeks in early spring, and "hide" later in the summer. They are also deer- and critter-resistant! Explore Bernadette Morales and Uplands Reserve with naturalist Laura Bush to enjoy the bluebells, stroll along a bubbling brook, and see the ruins of the estate of Judge Large (a prosecutor in the Charles Lindberg case). This is a moderately hilly hike, about three miles in total. Meet at the parking lot of Bernadette Morales Nature Preserve, 103 Capner Street, Flemington.

EGGSTRODINARY BIRDS

Sunday, April 30, 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM, Echo Hill, ages 4 through adult, \$5 per person.

Instructor: Debra Reed, Park Naturalist.

Beautiful bird melodies fill the air in springtime. Come learn about these musical winged animals through hands-on activities. We will explore how birds build their nests and protect their eggs, then take a short walk out in the park to look at our local birds and listen to them sing.



FULL MOON HIKE

Friday, May 5, 7:45 PM to 9:15 PM, Hoffman Park main entrance, ages 8 through adult, free!

Instructor: Laura Bush, Principal Park Naturalist.

Come explore the park after dark and see the moonlight reflecting off our ponds! Under the light of a full moon, we will listen to early insects and learn about the adaptations of nocturnal animals. We will also learn about the phases of the moon. Meet at 26 Baptist Church Road, Hampton (Union Township).

NATURE PROGRAMS (in-person, continued)

REPTILES ALIVE

Friday, May 12, 4:30 PM to 5:30 PM, Echo Hill Lodge, ages 6 through adult, free!

Instructor: Tom Sheppard, Chief Park Naturalist. Reptiles are often misunderstood as scaly, slimy, no-good animals. Learn the truth about some of the County's reptiles as you view our live snakes and turtles. During this program with Chief Naturalist Tom Sheppard, we will dispel some of those myths behind these animals and how they are needed within our environment.



BEES AND OTHER POLLINATORS

Monday, May 15, 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM, Echo Hill, adults, free!

Instructor: Debra Reed, Park Naturalist.

Most of the world's plants need to be pollinated. Pollination is not just interesting; it is essential for ecological survival. Without pollinators, humans would not survive. Come learn about our bees, butterflies, and some not so well-known pollinating flies, wasps, and beetles.



BIRDING MUSCONETCONG GORGE

Saturday, May 20, 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM, Musconetcong Gorge Preserve, ages 8 through adult, \$6
Instructor: Laura Bush, Principal Park Naturalist.

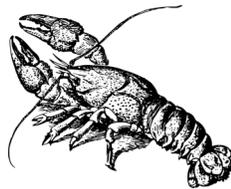
At the height of spring migration, let's bird a new location, Musconetcong Gorge Preserve in Holland Township. Principal Park Naturalist Laura Bush will guide the group through the forest habitat where Hooded Warblers, Worm-eating Warblers, and Swainson's Thrushes have been observed in the past. We will meet at the main parking area, 182 Dennis Road, Bloomsbury 08804. Expect to walk at least 1 1/2 miles on a rocky trail with an uphill slope on the return. For birders of any ability level; binoculars will be available to borrow. Please note, there are no restroom facilities at this location.

CRAZY CREEKS

Sunday, May 21, 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM, Echo Hill, ages 4 through adult, free!

Instructor: Debra Reed, Park Naturalist.

Our creeks are filled with interesting and weird wildlife. Spend the afternoon in the water looking at these fascinating creatures, learning what they are, and learning how they help keep our waterways clean. Please dress to get wet, wear closed toed water shoes, and bring a towel to dry off afterwards.



BIRD STUDY SCOUTING MERIT BADGE

Wednesday, May 24, 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM, Echo Hill playground, Boy Scouts or Venture Scouts ages 11 through 17, free!

Instructor: Laura Bush, Principal Park Naturalist. Earn your Bird Study Merit Badge with Counselor Laura Bush! The majority of the two hours will be spent on preparing our field notebooks, and identifying birds by sight and sound (requirements 5 and 6). We will also go over how to use binoculars and field guides (requirements 3 and 4, but scouts will have to be tested on this at a later date). Please bring a notebook and pencil, and binoculars if you have them (also available to borrow). Scouts will need to schedule an additional meeting time with Laura or her colleagues after they have completed the additional requirements for the badge on their own.



EVENING MOON WALK

Friday, May 26, 8:30 PM to 10:00 PM, Hoffman Park, ages 12 through adults, free!

Instructor: Tom Sheppard, Chief Park Naturalist.

Join us as we examine the Moon up close with a telescope. The Moon is now about at its half phase. We will examine the various features and landscapes of the Moon along the terminus before moving out to other features in the evening sky.

MORNING BIRD WALKS

Thursdays, 7:00 AM to 8:30 AM, ages 12 through adult, free! (pre-registration required), instructor Tom Sheppard, Chief Park Naturalist.

Join the Parks for this season's session of early morning bird walks, to look for the spring migrants and local breeding birds around the county. We will use both eyes and ears to determine which birds are around us, as well as to observe other signs of the spring season. This is a great chance to brush up on your songbird identification skills. For all ability levels; binoculars are available to borrow.

April 6	Assiscong Marsh
April 13	Deer Path Park, Soccer Lot
April 20	Arboretum
April 27	Uplands (Capner Street)
May 4	Echo Hill Park
May 11	Sunnyside
May 18	Tower Hill (Mountainview Road)
May 25	Hoffman Park (Baptist Church Road)





TO REGISTER: visit our website, navigate to **Current Public Programs: Virtual Programs**, and find the registration link for each individual program.

FROGS & TOADS OF OUR REGION WEBINAR

Wednesday, March 22, 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM, ages 8 through adult, free!
Instructor: Tom Sheppard, Chief Park Naturalist.
Frogs and toads are one of the groups that fascinate our youth. But as adults, it can be a group that is often overlooked. Frogs and toads can be identified by their songs. In March, we are at the beginning of their breeding season, so we can expect to hear them calling. Join Tom Sheppard, Chief Park Naturalist for an evening to learn about our local species and hear their various songs.

REPTILE AND AMPHIBIAN MERIT BADGE WEBINAR

Sunday, March 26, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM, ages 11 to adult, free!, Instructor: Debra Reed, Park Naturalist.
Earn your Reptile and Amphibian Merit Badge with Counselor Debra Reed! We will meet virtually for an introduction to the merit badge and our local amphibians and reptiles. The program will investigate their identifying characteristics, geographic distribution, their role in the environment, and how to care for a reptile or amphibian. Please print the merit badge workbook before the program to reference. Scouts will need to schedule an additional meeting time with Debra after they have completed the additional requirements for the badge on their own.

WILDFLOWER FOLKLORE WEBINAR

Sunday, April 16, 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM, ages 10 through adult, free!, Instructor: Debra Reed, Park Naturalist.



Did you know that the flowers Black-eyed Susan and Sweet William were named after lovers in an English poem from the early 18th century? Or that Native Americans used Pokeweed berries as a dye and ink? In Wildflower Folklore, we will go over the folk uses and myths of local wildflowers. Through a

slide show of photos, we will also go over identification of these species.

WORLD OF FLYCATCHERS WEBINAR



Wednesday, April 26, 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM, ages 8 through adults, free!
Instructor: Tom Sheppard, Chief Park Naturalist.
While our local flycatchers may not present a huge challenge to local birders, the group is a lot larger and complex than many people think. While our greatest challenge may be our 4-5 Empid species, this group increases to 11 when you expand across the country. Join Tom Sheppard, Chief Park Naturalist, for a program that will open the door for you to the “World of Flycatchers.”

MAMMALS OF HUNTERDON WEBINAR

Wednesday, May 24, 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM, ages 8 through adults, free!
Instructor: Tom Sheppard, Chief Park Naturalist.
Over forty different mammal species call Hunterdon County their home. Join Tom Sheppard, Chief Park Naturalist for an evening program as he reviews some of these species. Discussion will range from the common species such as the Gray Squirrel and Eastern Cottontail to the rare which includes the Mink and the Fisher. Tom



will also cover need-to-know information on the Black Bear and Coyote. Bring your questions about the mammals, because the program should be more about what you want to know than the usual facts that can be shared.

RECREATIONAL WALKING SERIES

Pre-registration required. Please be considerate of others... we often have a waiting list, so if you are unable to attend a hike, please call our office to alert our staff as soon as possible at (908) 782-1158. Thank you!

FREE RECREATION WALKS

Wednesdays, 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM, adults, free!, instructor Patrick Eckard, Recreation Program Coordinator.

Meet Patrick at each location and he will introduce you to the beauty of the parks. Learn the history of each park as you get some fresh air and exercise. Then come back on your own to hike the trails at your leisure. These trails are easy to moderate hikes.

March 8 **TEETERTOWN**, Camper's Lot, 20 Pleasant Grove Road, Port Murray 07865

April 12 **TOWER HILL**, 944 Mountain View Road, Asbury 08802

May 10 **WESCOTT**, Satellite parking, 63 Strimples Mill Road, Stockton 08559



WALKS for FUN

Tuesdays, 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM, ages 12 through adults, free!, Instructor: Liz Braidwood-Fulmer, Recreation Program Coordinator.

Please note: No restroom facilities available. Please wear sturdy footwear and dress for the weather.

MARCH 21: LANDSDOWN TRAIL (36 Main Street, Clinton, next to Fox Lumber)

Spring begins... let's follow the old railroad spur line.

APRIL 25: POINT MOUNTAIN (Musconetcong River Road & Point Mountain Road, Washington)

This trail is difficult, uphill on a rocky trail through the woods to the overlook.

MAY 30: JUGTOWN PERSERVE (408 Mine Road, Asbury)

This trail might be wet, so wear appropriate footwear.

SENIOR STROLL at Hoffman Park

Wednesday, March 15, 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM, 26 Baptist Church Road, Hampton (Union Township), adults, free!, Instructor: Liz Braidwood-Fulmer, Recreation Program Coordinator.

Enjoy a march in March! The group will parade down the hill, on the paved road to Manny's Pond, then meander through the woods for a spell, then back up the hill. Please note: A porta-potty restroom facility is available. *Type of walking surface: Paved road and flat well-worn wide trails through the woods.*

SENIOR STROLL at Sunnyside

Wednesday, March 29, 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM, 47 Kiceniuk Road, Annandale, adults, free!, Instructor: Liz Braidwood-Fulmer, Recreation Program Coordinator. Listen to the babble as we follow the South Branch River through the lowlands. Includes a moment of silence as we visit the Awosagame Grove (Leni Lenape word meaning "a sacred place") dedicated to the residents of Hunterdon County who were lost on September 11, 2001. Please note: No restroom facilities available. *Type of walking surface: flat mowed grass path, sometimes wet. Please wear the appropriate footwear.*

SENIOR STROLL at Point Mountain

Wednesday, April 19, 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM, Musconetcong River Road & Point Mountain Road (Lebanon Twp.), adults, free!, Instructor: Liz Braidwood-Fulmer, Recreation Program Coordinator. Enjoy the earth and all it shares as we walk along the beautiful Musconetcong River. Bring a happy Earth Day tale, nature fact, poem, or memory to share as we pass the story stick. Please note: No restroom facilities available. *Type of walking surface: flat twisty well-worn dirt trail, some rocks with roots; trail goes along the river through the woods.*

SENIOR STROLL at Columbia Trail

Wednesday, May 17, 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM, 362 West Valley Brook Road & 40 Vernoy Road, Califon (Tewksbury Twp. border of Morris County), adults, free! Instructor: Liz Braidwood-Fulmer, Recreation Program Coordinator. Let's walk-about and talk-about a once busy railroad, now a busy trail! How things change. Please note: No restroom facilities available. *Type of walking surface: flat, well-groomed aggregate surface.*



RECREATION PROGRAMS

NATIONAL WALKING DAY

Wednesday, April 5

Session A: 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM

Session B: 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM

Session C: 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM

Deer Path Park, all ages, free! (pre-registration required)

Instructors: Liz Braidwood-Fulmer and Patrick Eckard, Recreation Program Coordinators.

National Walking Day is every year on the first Wednesday in April and takes place on April 5 this year. National Walking Day is exactly as it sounds—a day to celebrate the easiest way to be the healthiest version of you. Walking for thirty to sixty minutes per day may sound like it isn't much, but studies have shown that it can drastically improve your health and even help prevent ailments such as type II diabetes, cancer, and heart disease.

Join the Parks recreation staff Liz and Patrick as we do three walks for National Walking Day at Deer Path Park. We will walk three different times: morning, afternoon, and evening. We hope that you can come out for one of those times and enjoy the park!



FISHING CLINIC

Thursday, April 20, 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM, Teetertown Camper's Lot, 20 Pleasant Grove Road, Port Murray, ages 6 through adults, \$8 per participant (non-fishing adult attends for free). Instructor: Patrick Eckard, Recreation Program Coordinator.

Let us show you the basics of fishing, including safety, etiquette, equipment, and casting. Meet Patrick Eckard at the Teetertown Camper's Parking Lot (the third entrance from Califon). We have a limited number of fishing rods available to borrow. Bait, hooks, bobbers, and weights are provided. If you have your own fishing equipment, you may bring it with you.

SCOUT FIRST AID

Sunday, May 21, 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, Echo Hill Main Lodge, all scouts, free!, Instructor: Patrick Eckard, Recreation Program Coordinator.

Did you miss the First Aid course in your scout group? We will cover all fundamental first aid for cub and girl scouts. This is not a Merit Badge!!! If you are looking for a Merit Badge, please contact Patrick Eckard at peckard@co.hunterdon.nj.us.

FIRE BUILDING

Sunday, May 21, 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM, Echo Hill, ages 12 through adults, free!, Instructor: Patrick Eckard, Recreation Program Coordinator.

In this program, we will learn how to start a fire. We will go over the different steps to starting a fire with surrounding materials, and how to keep it going for as long as necessary. This program is great for scouts or anyone who likes to do outdoor activities.



MAKE-IT TAKE-IT CRAFT PROGRAMS

Mondays, 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM, Echo Hill (inside), ages 11 and up child/adult teams and adults (children must be accompanied by an adult), \$8 per child/adult team or single adult

Instructor: Liz Braidwood-Fulmer, Recreation Program Coordinator.

Participants will receive step-by-step instructions as they create with their hands. Bring a drink and a big smile.

APRIL 3: BERRY BASKET: Make a basket from repurposed newsletters.

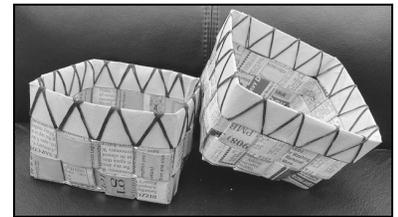
APRIL 17: EARTHMOBILE: Create a flat mobile that hangs nicely in a window using sticks, seeds, and other things found in nature.

APRIL 24: CARDBOARD TUBE BASKET: Make a basket from repurposed cardboard tubes. Difficulty: challenging.

MAY 1: MINI MAYPOLE: Make a small maypole/wand and then try it out as we dance around the Maypole.

MAY 8: SODA TAB BRACELET: Create an eye-catching bracelet, and make a second one as a Mother's Day gift!

MAY 15: TEE-SHIRT YARN & FINGERWEAVING: Make yarn out of an old tee-shirt and then learn to finger weave. If you have an old tee-shirt we can cut up, please bring it with you. Also please bring fabric scissors if you have them.



Berry Basket



BASKETRY WORKSHOPS

Instructor: Liz Braidwood-Fulmer, Recreation Program Coordinator

BEGINNER'S FLAT REED BASKET

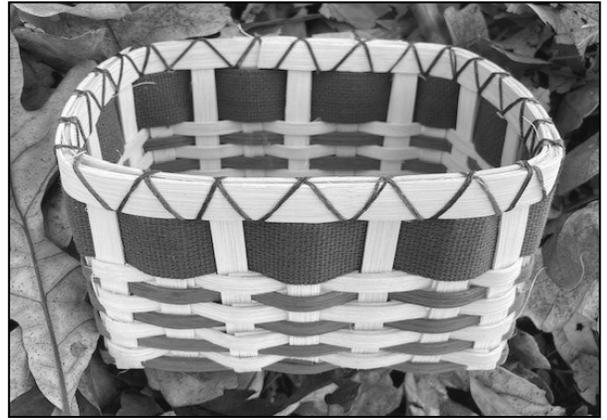
Friday, March 10, 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM, Echo Hill (inside), ages 10 and up child/adult teams and adults (children must be accompanied by an adult), \$13 per child/adult team or single adult, beginner skill level. An introduction to making a basket using flat material. You will get step-by-step instructions as you make your small rectangular basket. This is a great class for a complete beginner. A variety of colors will be available to choose from. The finished basket will measure approximately 6" long by 3.5" wide by 3.5" high.



FLO HOPPE'S OVAL BASKET

Thursdays, March 30 and April 6, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Echo Hill (inside), adults, \$47, adventurous intermediate to advanced skill level

This two-day class will include weaving a round reed oval base, a three rod wale arrow pattern, packed ends, and a rope handle. Bring lunch and a drink. Finished size: 12" long by 10" wide by 16" high including the handle.



CRACKER BASKET

Thursday, April 20, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Echo Hill (inside), adults, \$25, adventurous intermediate to advanced level. This round basket has a unique base made with round reed woven 4 over 4 over 4 over 4 creating an open weave base. It also has a unique rim technique; this is the first time teaching these techniques. Bring lunch and a drink. Finished size: 6" diameter at the base and 9" at the rim by 4" high.



WEAVING ON THE BIAS

Friday, May 5, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Echo Hill (inside), adults, \$25, some basket making experience helpful.

Students will weave a basic square base and then weave the sides on the bias creating a diagonal pattern. We will complete the basket with a folded rim. Finished size: 5" by 5" base by 8" high.

GROUP PROGRAMS: Contact us to set up a nature or recreation program just for your family, scout troop, school, or other group!

Event topics, schedules, and costs are subject to change at the discretion of the Division of Parks & Recreation.

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM
Location: 1020 Route 31, Lebanon (Clinton Township)

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MISSION STATEMENT

The Hunterdon County Division of Parks and Recreation is dedicated to preserving open space and natural resources, providing safe parks and facilities, and offering educational and recreational opportunities, all contributing to an enhanced quality of life for present and future generations.

MODIFICATION STATEMENT

The Hunterdon County Division of Parks and Recreation welcomes all individuals to participate and enjoy our parks, facilities, and recreational programs. Reasonable modifications, individual adaptations, and support will be provided for persons of all abilities, to encourage everyone to benefit equally from their choice of leisure activities. Individuals requesting modifications shall describe what they need to use the service. Whenever feasible, please make the request in advance, before the modification is needed to access the service. Each request will be assessed individually.

RESERVABLE FACILITIES

ARBORETUM: Two Gazebos

DEER PATH PARK: Two Pavilions, Gazebo, & Softball Field

COURT STREET PARK: Gazebo/Bandstand

ECHO HILL PARK: Main Lodge & Group Campsite

TEETERTOWN PRESERVE: Group & Public Campsites

To reserve a facility, contact the park office.

For information on each park, visit our website.

PROGRAM REGISTRATION INFORMATION

For in-person programs, fill out the program registration form and medical record on the last pages of this brochure. The medical record can be filled out once, and will be kept on record for future programs.

OR.... visit our website for the forms.

Mail your completed forms with payment to:

Hunterdon County Division of Parks & Recreation
P.O. Box 2900, Flemington, NJ 08822-2900

OR... Drop off your forms and payment at the Arboretum, 1020 Highway 31 North, Lebanon, NJ 08833. After hours, there is a door slot (**exact cash or check only**).

CANCELLATION POLICIES:

You will be notified by phone if we cancel a program and you will receive a full refund. Programs are designed for all types of weather and participants should dress appropriately. Cancellations by participants must be in writing, and cancellations made less than one week prior to program will **NOT** receive a refund.

VISITOR SERVICES STAFF



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AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

ARC OF HUNTERDON COUNTY archunterdon.org

HUNTERDON COUNTY CANOE CLUB

HUNTERDON FLUTTERWHEELS SQUARE

DANCE CLUB hunterdonflutterwheels.nnjpsda.org

HUNTERDON HIKING CLUB

hunterdonhikingclub.org

NJ BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION nwnjba.com

**TRAVIS MANION BATTALION, US SEA CADET
CORPS OF HUNTERDON COUNTY**

travismanionbattalion.org



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Heron Glen Golf Course
110 US Highway 202/Route 31, Ringoes, NJ 08551



HUNTERDON COUNTY DIVISION OF PARKS & RECREATION

MEDICAL RECORD



*Once the medical record is on file, we can use the same medical record for all subsequent programs.
If your medical history has changed, please submit a new medical record.*

Participant's Name _____ Gender (optional) _____

Today's Date _____ Participant's Date of Birth _____

Parent/Guardian (for minor) _____

Phone (h) _____ (w) _____ (c) _____

Address _____
Street Town State Zip

E-mail _____ Check here to be added to our E-mail List.

EMERGENCY CONTACT(S) – AT LEAST ONE CONTACT WHO IS NOT A PARENT/GUARDIAN

Name _____ Relationship _____ Phone _____

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Physician(s) Name and Number _____

List all known allergies _____

Describe allergic reaction(s) and how it is managed _____

Medical issues _____

Current medications _____

(Parks staff do not administer non-emergency medication)

Health Insurance Provider _____ Policy number _____

Please describe any other relevant conditions or information that we should know _____

Terms of Agreement: Please initial next to all statements.

Waiver: I hereby waive and release all rights and claims for damages against the Hunterdon County Division of Parks and Recreation, County of Hunterdon, their employees and volunteers for all injuries or illness which may be sustained by the herein named participant while participating in the program. I understand the content of the program and the risks of personal injury therein. _____

Medical Release: In the event of injury or serious illness, and a parent/guardian cannot be reached (and/or if there is a medical emergency requiring immediate action), I give permission for Hunterdon County Division of Parks & Recreation staff to seek medical attention and to release all information contained in this document or known to Parks staff. _____

Photo Release: I authorize and acknowledge that I or my child may be photographed and/or videotaped for educational and publicity purposes (Website, Facebook, Instagram, Brochures, etc.). Photos and videos will not include names or personal information about any individual unless permission is granted. _____

Participant or Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ **Date:** _____



HUNTERDON COUNTY DIVISION OF PARKS & RECREATION

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Mailing Address: PO Box 2900, Flemington, NJ 08822-2900

Office Location: 1020 State Highway 31, Lebanon, NJ

Telephone (908) 782-1158 Fax (908) 806-4057

E-mail: parks@co.hunterdon.nj.us Website: <https://www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/479/Parks-Recreation>



PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM

THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED WITH THE MEDICAL RECORD.

Once the medical record is on file, we can use the same medical record for all subsequent programs. If your medical history has changed, please submit a new medical record.

PARTICIPANT'S NAME _____ RECEIPT # _____

TODAY'S DATE _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____ GENDER (optional) _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME (if minor) _____

PHONE (h) _____ (w) _____ (c) _____

ADDRESS _____
street town state zip

EMAIL ADDRESS _____ check here to be added to our email list

PROGRAM	DATE	LOCATION	TIME	FEE

FEE ENCLOSED: \$ _____. Make check payable to "Hunterdon County Parks." Fees are listed in the *Hunterdon Parks Harbinger* and on the website and are used to offset the cost of the program.

IMPORTANT POLICIES: (Participant or parent/guardian, please read and provide authorized signature.)

- 1. Cancellation requests must be in writing. NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED FOR CANCELLATIONS MADE LESS THAN ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE PROGRAM.**
2. Payment is due in advance of the program with this registration form & the medical record. Please mail it to the PO Box listed above or drop it off at the office location. Cash or check accepted.
- 3. I have read and understand these policies and consent to myself or my child participating in the above referenced program(s).**

(Signature of Participant or Parent/Guardian for minor) Date: _____
(Revised 11-2022)

ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT: It is the policy of the County of Hunterdon to provide reasonable modifications to persons with disabilities. Individuals requesting modifications shall describe what they need to use the service. Whenever feasible, please make the request in advance, before the modification is needed to access the service.