

The Burlington County Board of Chosen Freeholders

Invites you to

Autumn Nature Programs in Burlington County

To register for nature programs, call 609-265-5858 – all programs are FREE

Dress for weather– rain cancels

For park directions, go to

<http://www.co.burlington.nj.us/parks>



Tuesday Talks

A series of nature programs held on Tuesdays in various locations.

Oct 5 – Birds and Blooms at **Amico Island Park**, Delran. Bring binoculars. **9am**

Oct 19 – Nature walk at **Smithville Park**. Meet at River St. parking lot near Smithville Lake. Bring binoculars! **9am**

Nov 9 – New Powerpoint Presentation: Secret World of Plants and Pollinators, Rutgers Cooperative Extension, 2 Academy Dr., Westampton. **Registration required. 10am**

Fall Foliage Nature Walks

Join us for a beautiful autumn walk through the woods to learn and appreciate the diversity of native trees. Dress for the weather. Rain cancels.

Saturday, October 16, 10:00am

Crystal Lake Park. Call for directions. **Registration Required. Please note:** Trails are very steep in sections and not recommended for inexperienced hikers. Please wear proper shoes for hiking!

Registration required due to limited parking. Please call 609-265-5858.

Sunday, October 24, 3:00pm

Smith's Woods section of Smithville Park. Registration suggested. Meet at the kiosk at East Railroad Ave. parking lot. Flat trail allows for easy walking, but does include some steps.

Children's Program – Leaf Hunt

Smith's Woods Area, Smithville Park

Thursday, November 4 (*Rain date: Friday November 5*)

10:00am

Schools are closed for the teacher's convention, but the County Parks are always open!

Take a short walk on the red trail to look for different types of leaves that have fallen to the ground. Collect your favorite ones, then learn what tree they belong to. Afterwards, students will do a leaf rubbing that they can take with them. Bring a bag to collect leaves in.

Meet at Smith's Woods main parking lot on East Railroad Ave. near picnic area and restrooms. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Parents/guardians should be prepared to stay for the duration of the event (typically an hour to an hour and a half). **Please call 609-265-5858 to register so that we have enough materials for everyone.**

(More programs continue on back)

Fly Fishing Classes

All classes will be held at Smithville Park, from 6-8pm. Registration is required. Meet in the parking lot off Meade Lane.

For Beginners: Tuesday, September 14: Join Park Ranger Chris Derkas as he offers guidance on fly fishing technique. Bring fly rod and reel or just come and listen.

Intermediate Fly fishing: Thursday, September 23: Those that have taken the beginner course are welcomed back to evaluate and brush up. Bring waders or sneakers-prepare to get wet.

Youth Fly fishing: Thursday, September 30: ages 10-18. Bring fly rod and reel or just come and listen.

Volunteer to cleanup litter at County Parks

For all activities and events described below please

Email cleancomm@co.burlington.nj.us, or call Clean Communities at 609-499-1001, ext 266 .

1. **Amico Island Park**, Delran needs weekly cleanup (daily tides bring litter onto the shoreline). Pick a day and clean up along the shoreline, or organize a group to help keep the island litter free. County Park Rangers will meet your group and provide safety information, gloves, bags, and removal of collected debris. Letters of community service can be provided.
2. Cigarette Filter Litter Study
 - a. Volunteer to collect data for ongoing study: collect and report cigarette filters discarded in the parks. Gloves, bags, and letters of community service will be provided.
 - b. Smokers wanted for focus group on cigarette filter disposal habits.
3. **Willingboro Lakes**, Willingboro – volunteer on one or both days to help clean up litter and debris in the newest part of the “greenway” established along the Rancocas Creek. This 105-acre property popular with fishermen is planned for passive recreational use, with walking trails and overlooks for bird watchers. Registration is required. Please wear long sleeves, pants, and sturdy shoes that can get muddy. Bags and gloves will be provided. Severe weather cancels the event. Participants under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.
 - a. Saturday October 2, 9:00 am -12:00
 - b. Saturday October 30, 9:00 am -12:00