



Churchville Nature Center

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Program & Activity Guide Summer 2017

Programs For The Family



Firefly Campfire June 30

Have you ever wondered how or why a firefly glows? Find out the answers to these questions and more as you and your family join us for an evening firefly hike. Join us as we enjoy the spectacle of these amazing glowing insects. We will search in the meadows and forest edges; perhaps we can even find glowworms. We will end at the campfire for some roasting of marshmallows.

Reservations are required
Time: 8:00pm ~ Adults \$5 & Children \$3

Sunday Naturalist Walks July 23 & August 20 (Splendid Spiders)

Join us for a guided walk through the trails of the nature center. Each walk will be seasonal and focus on what is happening in the natural world during the summer months. August's Topic will be Splendid Spiders
2:00 PM Donation: \$3 per person



Lenape Village Tours

Every Sunday from April 10 To October 23 - 1:00 PM

Travel back in time to the 1500's just prior to European contact. Trained educators dressed in authentic buckskins will take you through the stations for a hands-on experience just the way it would have been back then. Each week a new topic is featured.

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| June 18 - Cooking Fish | June 25 - Clay Bead Making | July 2 - Fire Making |
| July 9 - Robin Moore Storyteller-Hunting | July 16 - Hunting-Atlatl | July 23 - Processing Skins |
| July 30 - Fish Nets & Crafts | August 6 - Fire Making | August 13 - Clay Bead Making |
| August 20 - Making Necklaces | August 27 - Games & Music | September 3 - Fire Making |
| September 10 - Wild Edibles | September 17 - Cordage & Crafts | September 24 - Learn from the Animals |

Cost: \$8 (Children under 4 Free) Pre-registration required
The tour will begin promptly at 1:00 pm and is the only tour of the day

Outings

Batsto Canoe June 24

Our group will be paddling from Quaker Bridge to Batsto Village in the New Jersey Pine Barrens. Although the river twists and turns, this class 1 (easy) river is a good follow up for the tandem class students and anyone who wants to have an adventure on the water. Departure Time:

Departure Time: 7:00 AM
Fee: Member \$25/Non-Member \$30
Leader: John Chalikian



Delaware River Canoe Trip September 16

Our group will be paddling from Kingwood to Bulls Island. Join us for this favorite Delaware trip through some charming country side. This trip will be a joint trip with AMC. Fee includes canoes, paddles, preservers & experienced leadership.

Pre-registration is required
Departure Time: 7:00 AM
Fee: Member \$25/Non-Member \$30
Leader: John Chalikian

Workshops

Adult Market Basket Workshop July 23

Join us on Sunday, July 23rd to weave your very own Market Basket. The finished basket will be approximately 8" x 8" x 18" for the basket and the handle is 12" high. No previous basket weaving skills are required. This is an excellent, useful project for beginners and experienced crafters alike.

Fee: \$40/person and includes materials
Time: 1:00 to 5:00 pm
Our group is limited to 10 people and Pre registration required



Butterfly House Programs

Note: Due to some work that needs to be done on our butterfly house, we will be having a shortened season this year. That being said, we have some special events planned to make the brief period that the house is open a fun time for our visitors.

Guided Tours

August 16, 17, 22 & 23 the house will be open from 11:00am – 3:00pm

August 19, 20, & 26 the house will be open from 11:00am – 4:00pm

August 15 & 24 - open to **Flutter Pass Holders Only** from 5:00pm – 8:00pm

General Admission \$8, Seniors (62+) \$6, Junior (age 4-12) \$5, Members of CNC \$6, Flutter Pass holders-free

Flutter Pass

What's A Flutter Pass? A Flutter Pass is an exclusive all access pass to all things butterfly at Churchville Nature Center and includes: Unlimited access to the Butterfly House during house hours for the 2017 season including two pass holder only evening tour days; admission to Arthropoloosa; a small family souvenir; discounted admission to Nighttime Invaders program, discounted admission for Monarch Tag & Release event; discount on 2018 Butterfly House Season Flutter Pass (25%)

Cost:

A Family Flutter Pass for a family of 4 is \$45.00.

Single Flutter Passes include 1 guest pass when accompanied by Flutter Pass holder for \$25.00.

Arthropoloosa

August 12 & 13

To celebrate the opening of the Butterfly House, join us for a weekend full of insects, arthropods and everything without a backbone! There will be tarantulas (lots of tarantulas), a beekeeper with some honey and all the things required to own a hive, hissing cockroach races, and many other games, activities and insects on display. We will have vendors, demonstrations and of course food! How would you like to eat bugs? You may even get a chance if you dare!

11:00 am to 4:00pm

Entrance: \$8/person (children 3 & under free)

Flutter Pass holders enter for free



"Nighttime Invaders:"

August 18 & 19

For our second weekend get ready to experience the creatures of the night! We will have stations set up throughout the park which guests can walk between at their leisure to get up close and personal with moths, beetles, katydids, bugs and more! These stations will include night hikes around our pond and into the woods, black light and mercury vapor light traps in our two meadows, and a campfire with marshmallows where staff will be on hand to answer any and all questions. We will also have the building open with several displays for nighttime insects.

Fee: \$8/person

Flutter Pass Holders: \$4/person

7:30 to 9:30 pm

Movies & Monarchs

August 26

To mark the end of our Butterfly House Season and to get everybody excited for Monarch Tag and Release Event held the next day, we are holding our first outdoor movie night! We will be showing the 2012 Drama/short film "Flight of the Butterflies." Preceding the main event will be some short fun family cartoons. The movie is free but concessions will be at a charge. This is an outdoor event so bring your chairs, blankets or snacks. In the event of rain we will show the film indoors.

Event starts at 8:00 pm

Monarch Tagging Event

August 27

All good things come to an end so to mark the closing of the Butterfly House season we will again be holding our Monarch Tag and Release event. To participate, preregistration is required for this event by August 13th. Registration will be available during Arthropaloosa. The event fee will include a live monarch for release for each registrant, a discussion on the importance of the monarch tagging and a farewell tour through the Butterfly House for the season.

Time: 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Fee: 8/person

Flutter Pass holders \$5/person

The number of butterflies is limited.

Pre-registration for the Tagging event is Required by 8/13



Saturday Morning Bird Walks

Each Saturday, June - September

Join an experienced bird watcher every Saturday morning from 7:00 to 9:00 AM for our early morning bird walks. These walks are a great way to meet new people and enjoy casual conversation with other bird enthusiasts. Your guide will pick out the best spot to visit within the area. Bring along binoculars and a bird identification book, if you have them.