

Camden County Environmental Center Events

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Young Explorers Summer Nature Programs

Mondays June 20; July 25; August 22

2 Sessions: 1-3 year olds, 9:30 to 10:15am; 3-5 year olds, 11am-12pm

These child-caregiver classes incorporate stories, walks and crafts to develop an awareness and appreciation for science and nature for the child as well as the caregiver. Each week, a different nature or science topic is covered. Meet at the Camden County Environmental Center. Advance registration required.

Crafting with Nature Program

Mondays June 20; July 25; August 22 1:00pm to 2:30pm

Youth ages 6 to 10. To craft means to make something with your hands, and people have been crafting throughout history. Nature provides us with colors and patterns that are gifts of the Earth. Join us to make beautiful crafts and discover the art of nature. Meet at the Camden County Environmental Center. Advance registration required.

Saturday Family Programs

Join Camden County Environmental Educator for this free program series that explores different nature themes in a fun, hands-on way for the whole family. Call 856.833.1469 for more information and to register for events.

Bugs, Shellfish and Beavers: Exploring Stream Health

Saturday June 25 1:00-2:30pm Enviro Center

Learn about the animals that call Cooper River home with hands on activities. Learn about the health of the water way as we conduct a macroinvertebrate investigation.

Birding Basics

Saturday September 10 11:00am-12:30pm Enviro Center

Young explorers and their parents will learn how to find and identify the many bird species and habitats found in our own "backyard."

Nature Walks

Join Camden County Environmental Educator for a guided walk through the park.

Call for more information and to register.

For Nature Walks We Recommend:

- Wear layers as the weather can change
- Comfortable walking/hiking shoes
- Bring a water bottle/snack

Solstice Walk Monday, June 20 6:30pm Enviro Center

Celebrate the start of summer and the longest Saturday evening of the year with an easy 1.7 mile walk through the park to Hopkins Pond. Meet at the Camden County Environmental Center for a walk through the woods to discover the plants and animals that call the park home.

Summer Wildflowers Walk Monday, August 22 6:00pm Enviro Center
Camden County's Environmental Educator will lead 2 mile a walk along Cooper River to Hopkins Pond and back to learn about and how to identify the summer wildflowers.

Bird Walk: Fall Migrations Saturday, September 10 9am Enviro Center
Take a walk along Camden County's watchable Wildlife Trail with the Environmental Educator, discovering along the way both resident and migrating birds. We'll try to spot fall warblers and sparrows along with late-migrating nuthatches, finches and visiting raptors.

Autumnal Equinox Nature Walk Thursday, September 22 5:30pm Enviro Center
Celebrate fall with an easy 1.7 mile walk through the park. Camden County's Environmental Educator will discuss the change of seasons and the plants and animals that call the park home.

Moonlit Walks

Meet under the full moon at Camden County's Environmental Center for a gentle walk through the park. Search for signs of nocturnal wildlife and gaze at the stars while Camden County's Environmental Educator shares points of interest and seasonal highlights. *Bring your flashlight and binoculars for stargazing.*

Full Thunder Moon Walk Wednesday, July 19 8:00pm Enviro Center

Full Harvest Moon Sunday, September 16 7:00pm Enviro Center

Workshop: Introduction to Honey Bees and Beekeeping

November 12 8:30am-noon Enviro Center

Presented by Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Camden County

Have you ever wanted to know more about honey bees? Have you ever wondered if beekeeping is for you? Would you like to learn about honey bee biology and discover what it takes to become a beekeeper? Join us for a 3-hour workshop that will provide you with an introduction to the unique biology of the honey bee, how they organize their hive, make their honey and what beekeepers do in concert with them. A fully assembled hive will be available for you to examine as well as the additional equipment that beekeepers use. Workshop cost \$20; pre-registration required. For more information or to register, contact Mike Haberland at 216-7130 extension 3 or Haberland@njaes.rutgers.edu.

Stewards of Open Space in Camden County

Saturday Cleanups

Contact Michael Hogan: 609-476-2086; hoganphoto@verizon.net

Join the Stewards of Open Space and Help us keep your parks beautiful. Gloves and tools provided. Please dress appropriately. Please RSVP; for more information and maps contact Michael Hogan.

Saturday, June 18th, 10:00am-1:00pm. Cleanup at Atco Lake.

Saturday, July 16th, 10:00am-1:00pm. Cleanup at Hidden Lake

Saturday, August 13th, 10:00am-1:00pm. Cleanup at Lake Worth.

Saturday, September 17th, 10:00am-1:00pm. Cleanup at Laurel Ravine.

Saturday, October 8th, 10:00am-1:00pm. Cleanup at New Brooklyn Park

Rutgers Master Gardeners

Contact: camden.njaes.rutgers.edu; 856-216-7130; njgarden@camdencounty.com

Gardening Questions??

Monday thru Friday from 9am – 12 pm; 856-216-7130 extension 1

If you have gardening questions call our **Horticulture Hotline**, to talk to a Master Gardener or email a question. If we don't know the answer, we'll find it for you.

Plant Clinics

Clinics are Saturdays 9am-12pm

1301 Park Boulevard Cherry Hill.

Residents are invited to stop by with garden related inquiries such as sick plants, insects and flowers.

June 18, July 16, August 20, September 17

Environmental Park Events

512 Lakeland Road, Blackwood, Gloucester Township

The Camden County Environmental Park, an 8-acre site in Gloucester Township, serves as a hub for community gardening and environmental education.

Saturday Volunteer Days

Join Camden County for a morning of service and learning. Gloves and tools provided. Please dress appropriately. Please RSVP; for more information contact 856-225-5576 or

sustainable@camdencounty.com.

September 24 10am-12pm

October 8 10am-12pm

Environmental Park Tour Saturday June 25 10am 512 Lakeland Road

Join us for a guided tour of the Camden County Environmental Park, an 8-acre site that serves as a hub for community gardening and environmental education. The site includes greenhouses, an outdoor classroom, tool library, sensory and more. See how Camden County is reducing its carbon footprint and how you can get involved. Call 856-216-8216 or email

maggie.mccann@camdencounty.com to register.