Butterfly Garden - ongoing project

Bees and butterflies play a vital role in the pollination of plants and the production of crops. Sadly, with the increasing use of pesticides and fewer wildflowers growing in prime habitat; bee and monarch butterfly numbers are dropping dramatically. The staff at Estell Manor Park is on a mission to help nurture these wonderful little creatures by constructing our very own Butterfly Garden behind the Warren E. Fox Nature Center!

Discover how you can lend a helping hand in this project! Contact park staff at the Nature Center.

Join Friends of the Parks

The goal for Friends of the Parks is to assist the continued growth of the park system, its programs, and to encourage visitors to get involved in all the natural, cultural, and recreational opportunities our parks have to offer.

We rely on interested and enthusiastic people who want to support and promote the Atlantic County Parks. Meetings are usually the first Wednesday of every month 6:30PM at the Warren E. Fox Nature Center in the Estell Manor Park.

To find out more please contact Julie Akers at julieakers56@gmail.com

Save Trees. Reduce Costs.

Log on to www.aclink.org/Parks
And sign up for our electronic brochures, flyers, and other notifications.

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Atlantic County/Estell Manor
109 State Highway 50
Mays Landing, NJ 08330
**Little Learners’ Craft Class**  
Fridays, September 20th, October 18th, & November 15th  
10 AM and 1 PM

Open to 3-5 year old preschoolers accompanied by an adult. Transform everyday objects into works of art. Time permitting, children will have the opportunity to “show and tell”. Specify morning or afternoon session when registering.

**Speaker’s Series: Pet Behavior Lectures**  
Thursdays, September 19th & October 17th  
6 PM - 7:30 PM

Have you ever found yourself frustrated with your pet’s behavior? The dog won’t come when called or the cats are using your furniture as scratching posts?

Join Loring Slivinski, former veterinary hospital owner and dog trainer, for free monthly lectures to help your fur-kids be the best behaved they can. Topics will include obeying commands, walking on a leash, maintaining your dog’s attention, litterbox issues, destructive cats, and more.

**Lecture is free, but you must register ahead of time.**  
For more information and to register, please call the Nature Center staff at (609) 625-1897 or send an email to Loring at Xenasmom@mac.com

Please do NOT bring pets, this is a lecture only!

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**Zumba**  
Tuesdays, September 17th, October 15th, November 19th  
5:15 PM - 6:15 PM

Get ready to party yourself into shape! These energizing, easy-to-follow, Latin dance moves will burn calories and get you into shape!

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**Trapping in New Jersey**  
Thursday, October 10th  
7 PM - 8 PM

Join NJ Fish and Wildlife biologist, Andy Burnett, for an interactive presentation that combines knowledge, opinions, and questions for attendee response interspersed with information on the state of regulated trapping in New Jersey. The presentation will primarily focus on the benefits of trapping as a wildlife management tool with state-specific examples.

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**Wild Mushroom Foray**  
Sunday, October 20th  
10am - 3pm

We will start at the Warren E. Fox Nature Center parking lot and later meet at the picnic area in Pavilion A (yellow pavilion).

The New Jersey Mycological Association will lead a mushroom (fungi) foray in Estell Manor Park. The foray is sponsored by the Atlantic County Division of Parks and Recreation and is free and open to the public. NO registration required. Participants will learn what fungi are, their role in the environment, and basic characteristics that are needed to identify genus and species. Field guides will be available to assist in identification.

All identified mushrooms will be returned to the park surroundings. Unidentified mushrooms will be taken for further examination by NJMA. Participants may request an email list of the fungi that are collected. Visit www.njmyco.org/ for more information.