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**OCTOBER PROGRAMS  
WITH SENIOR PARK  
NATURALIST LAURA BUSH  
OF HUNTERDON COUNTY  
DIVISION OF PARKS &  
RECREATION**

**FORESTRY SCOUTING MERIT BADGE**

Date: Friday, October 19

Time: 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Location: Miquin Woods Preserve

Ages: Boy Scouts or Venture Scouts ages 11 through 17

Cost: \$10 per scout

Earn your Forestry Merit Badge with Counselor Laura Bush! We will get together on October 19 to prepare our field notebooks, identifying 15 species of forest plants and observing tree growth rings and animal/insect damage (requirements 1 and 2). Please bring a camera and a notebook and pencil for sketching. Scouts will need to schedule an additional meeting time with Laura after they have completed the additional requirements for the badge on their own. Cost is per scout; adults may accompany their scout for free, or drop them off.

**TOT WALKS: SEEDS**

Time: 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM

Location: Echo Hill

Ages: 2 to 3 with adult

Cost: Each walk \$3 per child; accompanying adult attends for free

Join Senior Park Naturalist Laura Bush on these early adventures to discover nature at your local park! Leave the strollers behind as we take a walk outside to see plants and

animals around us. We will use our senses to focus on each theme. Each one-hour program will include a walk and an indoor time of a story and craft. We are offering three walks of the same theme in a row; please select Session A, B, or C.

Session A: Thursday, October 18, 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM

Session B: Friday, October 19, 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM

Session C: Friday, October 19, 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM

## **NATURE OF THE NIGHT HALLOWEEN HIKE & CAMPFIRE**

Date: Friday, October 26

Time: 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM

Location: Echo Hill playground

Ages: 8 through adult

Cost: \$5

On this non-haunted night hike, we will look and listen for nocturnal animals. We will also learn about adaptations of the eyes and ears for nighttime survival. We will finish the program with a campfire and a spooky snack. Please notate any dietary restrictions on your registration form.

All programs require pre-registration. To download a registration form, please visit [www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/depts/parks/parks.htm](http://www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/depts/parks/parks.htm). For more information on Hunterdon County Division of Parks & Recreation, please call us at (908) 782-1158.