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PROPOSED CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Department: Conservation and Experiential Programming

Summary: Forest Preserves of Cook County Calendar 10/17/2018 - 11/13/2018

Saturdays and Sundays, 10/13 - 10/28 (All Day)

Boo! at the Zoo, Chicago Zoological Society/Brookfield Zoo, Brookfield

Little ghosts and goblins of all ages are sure to have a howlin' good time! Our not-so-scary and fun-filled event has something for the entire family to enjoy, including Halloween themed games and activities.

Wednesday, 10/17; 5pm

Haunted History; Oak Forest Heritage Preserve East, Oak Forest

Discover the uncommon history of this iconic preserve that spans 13,000 years. Includes 1.75-mile casual hike.

Friday, 10/19; 5pm - 8pm

Stars, Stories, and S'mores, Rolling Knolls, Elgin

Join us for a family-friendly evening in the Forest Preserves. There will be a cozy fire, s'mores, storytelling, astronomy, night hikes, and natural material building.

Saturday, 10/20; 11am - 2pm

Leave No Child Inside: Family Fun Day, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland

Bring the kids to spend time outside and have fun with our naturalist staff. Activities include games, a nature scavenger hunt and more.

Saturday, 10/20; 11am - 1 pm

Spooky Pooch Parade, Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe

Dogs are allowed at the Garden only one day a year, for this special event. Judges will award best costume prizes in categories including best puppy, best senior, and best horticultural interpretation. This popular event sells out quickly so register early. The parade fee is \$15 (\$20 for non-members) in advance by October 19 or \$20 at the door. No ticket is required for parade spectators, but tickets are required for parade participants. The event will be held rain or shine, no refunds; *registration is required for all dogs.*

Sunday, 10/21; 1pm

Autumn Hues; Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills

Take in the colors of the season and learn a little about the science behind the changes.

Sunday, 10/21; 10am - 3pm

Fall Festival; River Trails Nature Center, Northbrook

Join us as we celebrate the season with a special day of autumn fun. Storytelling, beekeeping demos, pumpkin painting, honey, hay rides and more!

Sunday, 10/21; 1pm

October Orienteering, Trailside Museum of Natural History, River Forest

Learn how to navigate around the trails using nature, GPS units, compasses and other useful tools.

Mondays, 10/22 and 10/29; 10am - 12pm

Beautiful Batik Tablecloth Adult Workshop, Thatcher Woods, River Forest

Create your own stunning batik tablecloth for the holidays. This workshop takes two days to complete. \$75. *Register required.*

Wednesday through Sunday, 10/24 - 10/28; 6:30pm - 10:30pm

Night of 1,000 Jack o'-Lanterns, Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe

This spooky cool event is a rare opportunity to experience the moonlit Garden after hours. See the work of master carves on 1,000 LED-lit pumpkins. There will be costumed entertainment along the path, and ghost rains running in the Model Railroad Garden: Landmarks of America.

Wednesday, 10/24; 9am-1pm

Connecting Latino Communities to Nature Workshop, Thatcher Woods Pavilion, River Forest

Calling Latino Community Leaders to join us as we discuss different resources available to get your members outside, active, and in nature. We will discuss opportunities at Brookfield Zoo and family programming, youth jobs and volunteer opportunities at the Forest Preserves. *Call 312-590-6361 to register.*

Thursday, 10/25; 6pm - 8pm

Campfire Cooking Workshop, Camp Reinberg, Palatine

Learn to make meals using cast-iron and basic campfire cooking techniques. *Free. Ages 14 and up.*

Thursday, 10/25; 9am - 11am

Community Leadership Workshop, Thatcher Woods Pavilion, River Forest

Join us for a Community Leadership Workshop as we highlight available resources that make the Central Zone (Proviso Township, River Forest/Oak Park, Salt Creek) of Cook County so special. Programs such as a train-the-trainer kayak program, specialized field trip programming, potential career paths for youth and adults, nature center visits, and Go Ape Tree Top Adventure will be discussed. Come learn about these activities and how you can make these community resources an experience for your groups. *Call 312-590-6361 to register.*

Friday, 10/26; 7pm - 9:30pm

Night Hike: Fall Folklore and Campfire, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland

Learn about some woodland folklore on a night hike followed by a campfire with treats at Camp Shabbona Woods.

Friday through Sunday, 10/26 - 10/28; 10am - 4pm

Roadside Flower Sale, Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe

Hold on to summer and shop one-of-a-kind natural plant and dried flower arrangements at the Chicago Botanic Garden's annual Roadside Flower Sale. Visit the sale in the Regenstein Center to view gifts incorporating dried flowers, pods, and grasses from the Garden. More than 300 flower arrangements and wreaths created by talented volunteers are available for purchase. The sale features arrangements, wreaths, bouquets, wall hangings, stationery cards, and more. Volunteers design the floral arrangements using plant materials they collected at the Garden throughout the year.

Saturday, 10/27; 10am - 12pm

Conservation@Home: Landscape Design Workshop, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont

Learn how to support native pollinators in your garden year-round. Presented by U of I Extension North Cook Master

Gardeners and Master Naturalists. *Reservation required.*

Saturday, 10/27; 7:30pm-10pm

Wines in the Wild, Chicago Zoological Society/Brookfield Zoo, Brookfield

The Women's Board of the Chicago Zoological Society invites you to an Evening of Disguise! Support the zoo while sampling a wonderful variety of wine and exquisite hors d'oeuvres prepared by the zoo's talented culinary staff. In addition, there will be a raffle and silent auction featuring fabulous items available for bidding throughout the evening. *For reservations, visit Chicago Zoological Society website.*

Sunday, 10/28; 2pm - 5pm

Trunk or Treat, Eggers Grove, E. 112th St & S. Ave E, Chicago

Enjoy a family-friendly Halloween event, complete with plenty of candy. In partnership with East Side Chamber of Commerce.

Friday, 11/2; 5pm - 8pm

Stars, Stories, and S'mores, Thatcher Woods, River Forest

Join us for s'mores by the fire, storytelling and astronomy.

Friday through Sunday, 11/2 - 11/4; 10am - 5pm

Fine Art of Fiber, Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe

The area's oldest, largest, and most unique fiber event is hosted by three artistry guilds: Illinois Quilters, Inc., North Suburban Needle Arts Guild, and Wavers Guild of the North Shore. The exhibition and sale includes display pieces, sales items, lectures, fashion shows, demonstrations, and a silent auction.

Saturday, 11/3; 10am - 12pm

Landscape Design Workshop with Native Plants, Little Red Schoolhouse, Willow Springs

Learn how to support native pollinators in your garden year-round. Presented by U of I Extension North Master Gardeners and Master Naturalists.

Saturday, 11/3; 1pm

Tracking Wildlife, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont

Learn how biologists track wildlife using a variety of methods from observation to radio telemetry.

Saturday, 11/3; 10am - 1pm

Wilderness Survival, Rolling Knolls, Elgin

This hands-on program teaches the basics of wilderness survival including primitive and natural fire building, knot-tying, orienteering, shelter building, edible plant identification, and making water potable.

Saturday, 11/3; 1pm - 3pm

Prehistoric Archaeology Workshop, Trailside Museum of Natural History, River Forest

Learn about the prehistoric cultures of our area; learn to recognize and type samples of prehistoric artifacts. Led by the IL Archaeology Survey. *Ages 18 and up.*

Saturday, 11/10; 1pm - 2pm

Creating Habits for Native Pollinators, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook

Learn how to support native pollinators in your garden year-round. Presented by U of I Extension North Cook Master Gardeners and Master Naturalists.

Saturday, 11/10; 1pm

Save the Monarchs: Milkweed Seed Cleaning, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont

Learn insight into the Monarch-Milkweed relationship. Help create milkweed seed packets to be given away for residential planting by Homes4Monarchs.

Sunday, 11/11; 1pm

Veteran Trees, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills

Take a hike to meet some of Crabtree's "Veteran Trees." Learn how to calculate their approximate ages and heights.

Sunday, 11/11; 1:30pm

Resident Raptors, Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center, Willow Springs

Come learn about our resident raptors, which serve as ambassadors here at the Little Red Schoolhouse. *All ages.*