

# Forest Preserve District of Cook County

118 North Clark Chicago, IL 60602

# Legislation Text

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### 10/24/2017 to 11/14/2017

Wednesday, 10/25; 4 - 7 pm

# Preparing for the Cold: How Animals Transition from Summer to Winter; Dan Ryan Woods Pavilion, Chicago

Learn how the animals of the Forest Preserves prepare for colder seasons. Explore the area and learn how to find evidence of these animals.

#### Thursday - Sunday, 10/26 - 29; 6:30 - 10:30 pm

#### 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.

#### Friday, 10/27; 5 - 8 pm

### Stars, Stories, & S'mores; Rolling Knolls, Elgin

Bring your family and friends for an opportunity to enjoy an evening in the Forest Preserves. Join us for a cozy fire, s'mores, storytelling, astronomy, night hikes, natural material building and other nature-based activities.

#### Friday, 10/27; 7 pm

#### Somewhat Scary Stories, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills

Enjoy storytelling and treats around a campfire. Family-friendly program. \$2 per person.

#### Friday, 10/27; 7 pm

#### Ghosts of Conservation; Little Red Schoolhouse, Willow Springs

Do you believe in ghosts? Celebrate Theodore Roosevelt's birthday with Chicago Audubon's John Elliott by taking a virtual trip to iconic places where some of our heroes and heroines of conservation lived and worked. A few surprises might be on the itinerary.

#### Saturday, 10/28; 5 - 9 pm

#### Halloween Hike and Happenings Camp Sullivan, Oak Forest

Take a night hike, try ghost hunting and listen to scary stories at Bachelor's Grove Cemetery. Try our climbing wall, and enjoy live music and s'mores. Costumes are welcome.

#### Saturday, 10/28; 10 am

#### Ornithology 101; Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont

Learn how hollow bones and feathers offer the perfect mix of biology and physics making avian flight a reality.

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#### Saturday, 10/28; 7:30 - 10 pm

#### Howl-O-Wines in the Wild, Chicago Zoological Society/Brookfield Zoo, Brookfield

Sample a wonderful variety of wine and exquisite hors d'oeuvres while participating in a raffle and silent auction featuring fabulous items available throughout the evening. The event is hosted by the Women's Board of the Chicago Zoological Society. Additional information and tickets available online.

#### Saturday, 10/28 & Sunday, 10/29; 1:30 pm

#### **Un-Haunted Forest; River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook**

Come in costume for a magical hike through the forest. Registration required. \$1/child.

# Saturday & Sunday, 10/28 & 29: 10 am - 4 pm

### Boo! at the Zoo, 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-bats, wolves, costume contests and parades, pumpkin carving and more--for the entire family to enjoy!

#### Sunday, 10/29; 10 am

# Fossil Quarry Tour; Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont

Learn about the formation of Silurian Sea fossils during an indoor presentation. Visit an ancient coral reef with a 1-mile hike to the quarry. Family program.

#### Sunday, 10/29; 1 pm

#### Owls, Bats, & Spiders; Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills

Whoo, whoo would be scared of an owl, bat or spider? Not you. Dissect an owl pellet, listen to bat calls and meet an owl up close.

#### Sunday, 10/29; 1 pm

#### Skins & Skulls; Trailside Museum of Natural History, River Forest

Learn about the unique characteristics of local wildlife as we examine our collection of pelts and skulls.

#### Sunday, 10/29; 1:30 pm

### A Sand Ridge Halloween; Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland

Bats, spiders and snakes are just a few critters which help make the spookiest holiday so fun. Come learn about these fascinating creatures and why they're really not so scary. Costumes strongly encouraged.

# Friday, 11/3; 5 - 8 pm

#### Stars, Stories, & S'mores; Thatcher Woods, River Forest

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#### Friday, 11/3; 6:30 - 8 pm

#### Full Moon Qigong; Little Red Schoolhouse, Willow Springs

Under the full moon, we will awaken our life force (Qi) to the energies of the earth. Alice Kornblum, a certified Qigong instructor, will guide us on a mindful walk and then a moving meditation. Adults & interested teens.

#### Friday - Sunday, 11/3 - 5, 10 am - 5 pm

# 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.,

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North Suburban NeedleArts 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, 11/4; 10 am - Noon

# Conservation @ Home: Composting; River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook

University of Illinois Extension North Cook Master Gardeners will demonstrate the three bin composting technique. Learn how composting can reduce waste from fall garden clean up and help you prepare your garden for spring. Drop-in adult program.

#### Saturday, 11/4; 9 am - Noon

#### Bird Walk; Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont

Invasive shrubs threaten our native plant populations. Help protect the woodlands by helping us remove these invaders. Families welcome.

#### Sunday, 11/5; 1 pm

# Migration Mysteries; Trailside Museum of Natural History, River Forest

There's a lot to learn about animal migration. Take a quick peek at what we do know with Chicago Audubon Society's John Elliott. Birds will be featured, with a glimpse at other migrants. Registration requested.

#### Tuesday, 11/7; 3 - 6 pm

#### Archery 101; Joe Orr Woods, Chicago Heights

Never tried archery before? Attend one of these sessions to learn all things archery: history, bow parts and proper technique.

#### Thursday, 11/9; 5 - 7 pm

# All about Fire; Caldwell Woods Warming Shelter, Chicago

Discover the benefits of fire and what it can do for our land. Learn safe practices for fire building and containment, then make your own fire! Marshmallows to conclude the evening. All ages.

#### Saturday, 11/11; 1 pm

# Celebrating Native American History Month: Powwow 101; Trailside Museum of Natural History, River Forest

Learn about dances and songs of an Inter-Tribal Powwow. Hear the stories of the jingle dress, fancy shawl and grass dancers.

#### Saturday, 11/11; 1:30 pm

#### Irruption!; Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland

Every few winters, the forest preserves experience a bird invasion. Come learn about Snowy Owls and other temporary visitors that you can see and why these avians of the arctic pay us such rare visits.

#### Sunday, 11/12; 1 pm

# Kaleidoscope of Colors; Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills

Just like the autumn leaves, wildlife comes in a rainbow of colors and patterns. Discover why some animals are bright while others blend in.

#### Sunday, 11/12; 1:30 pm

#### Raptors: Predators in Flight; Little Red Schoolhouse, Willow Springs

Learn about the natural history and captive husbandry of our resident raptors. This program will include a short

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PowerPoint presentation, and a close-up raptor encounter. Ages 13 & up.

# Tuesday, 11/14, 6:30 - 8:30 pm One Book One Garden book discussion group, Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe

Free, but preregistration required. Book is Lab Girl by Hope Jahren.

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