

Essex County Environmental Center ~ Public Programs

WINTER 2019/2020



The Essex County Environmental Center is located at 621-B Eagle Rock Avenue in Roseland in Essex County West Essex Park and is a facility of the Essex County Parks System. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 9:00am to 5:00pm and Saturday from 10:00am to 2:00pm. Essex County West Essex Park is open to the public every day from dawn until dusk. Pre-registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted. **All programs require a minimum number of participants to run.** For more information, please call 973-228-8776.

CLUBS FOR CHILDREN



LITTLE EXPLORERS WINTER NATURE PROGRAM

For 2 year olds (Toddlers)

Tuesdays—December 3, 10, 17; January 7, 14, 21; February 4, 11, 18, 25

10am to 11am

For 3 year olds (Tots)

Thursdays—December 5, 12, 19; January 9, 16, 23; February 6, 13, 20, 27

1pm to 2pm

For 4 and 5 year olds (Pre-K)

Tuesdays—December 3, 10, 17; January 7, 14, 21; February 4, 11, 18, 25

1pm to 2pm

OR Thursdays—December 5, 12, 19; January 9, 16, 23; February 6, 13, 20, 27

10am to 11am

Children love to explore nature and observe all the natural wonders around them. We shall take magnifiers and our imaginations into the wooded wetland. Join us as we investigate what winter means to the forest plants and animals around our Environmental Center. Please come dressed for the weather since we will be spending time outside. Advanced registration and payment are required; call 973.228.8776. **Fee: \$12 per child/session**

FROG POND CLUB

Tuesdays—December 10, January 14, February 11

4pm to 5pm

Wednesdays—December 18, January 22, February 19

4pm to 5pm

For children ages 5 through 9. Uncover and discover ecosystem interactions at the frog pond. Explore with nets, magnifiers and microscopes to investigate what lives at the pond and learn from a naturalist what can be done to protect and conserve the pond inhabitants. Advanced registration, payment and minimum number of participants are required; call 973.228.8776. **Fee: \$10 per child per session**



FOREST FRIENDS CLUB

Thursdays—December 12, January 9, February 13

4pm to 5pm

For children ages 5 years and up. We'll explore the forest using nets, binoculars, magnifiers, and microscopes to investigate nature in our wooded wetland habitat. Together we hope to *foster an ethic of stewardship and offer an opportunity to take part in hands-on conservation projects.* Advanced registration, payment and minimum number of participants are required; call 973.228.8776. **Fee: \$10 per child per session**



CLUBS FOR CHILDREN

WINTER WONDERLAND CLUB



Saturdays—December 28; January 25; February 29

11am to 12pm

For children ages 4-8. Let your child enjoy the winter landscape and outdoor play once a month on Saturday from December through February. Drop off your grade school child for a fun adventure. This is an exploratory club. Warm mint tea and a book reading after outdoor activities may be occasionally held indoors, weather dependent. Dress warmly and in layers! Good boots are a must! Limited space available. Advanced registration, pre-payment and a minimum number of participants are required; call 973.228.8776 **Fee: \$10 per child per session**

WEEKLY PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

CHAIR YOGA

Tuesdays—December 3, 10, 17; January 7, 14, 21, 28; February 4, 11, 18, 25

3pm to 4pm

For adults. If you are new to yoga or feel that most yoga classes might be too strenuous for you, chair yoga can provide the more easy-going supported style that you've been wishing. Come experience how gentle yogic breath decreases stress and increases comfort and fluidity of movement, not only through your yoga practice, but potentially throughout your life. All poses are enjoyed at your own pace, seated or standing next to a chair and using it for support whenever you like. Our class will end in a peaceful restorative pose and optional gentle shoulder massage, and may you float out of class with a song in your heart. All levels are welcome. Dress comfortably. Advanced registration, monthly pre-payment and a minimum number of participants are required; call 973.228.8776. No refunds for missed classes. **Fee: \$15 class, \$12 for those 65 and older**



THURSDAY EVENING YOGA

6:30pm to 7:45pm

Thursdays—December 5, 12, 19, 26; January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; February 6, 13, 20, 27

For adults. In this "all levels" yoga series, each student is invited to explore and play through the breath and asanas/poses, flowing at your own pace with self-compassion and joy; followed by an optional gentle shoulder massage and restorative pose or Savasana of transformation and peace. All levels are welcome. Dress comfortably and please bring your own mat. Advanced registration, monthly payment and minimum number of participants are required; call 973.228.8776. No refunds for missed classes. **Fee: \$15 per class, \$10 for those 65 and older**



MONTHLY PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

HORTICULTURE FOR SENIORS

Mondays—December 16, January 27, February 24

1pm to 3pm

For senior citizens. Join the Rutgers Master Gardeners of Essex County for this horticulture class especially designed for senior citizens. The monthly topics are *Make a Holiday Decoration*, *Air Plants and How They Grow*, and *Ferns in February*. Meet in Garibaldi Hall. **Advanced registration is required one week prior to program**; contact Amy Trimarco at 973.731.2449 or aatrimarco@comcast.net or the Master Gardner Helpline at 973.228.2210 or mastergardenerec@gmail.com. **Free**



MONTHLY PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

NEW JERSEY WOODTURNERS

Mondays—January 27, February 24

7pm to 9:30pm



For adults and children ages 3 and up. Learn to turn with the NJ Woodturners Association. Discover the wonders of creating art from found pieces of wood. Topics vary by the month. Call Gualberto Malave at 908.310.3557 for details. Meet in Garibaldi Hall. **Fee: \$10 per child, \$12 per adult; free for NJWA members**

ESSEX COUNTY BEEKEEPERS SOCIETY – “Optimizing the Hive”

Tuesdays—December 10; January 14

7pm to 9 pm

For adults and children ages 12 and up. In December, Master Beekeeper Grant Stiles of Stiles Apiaries will be speaking about varroa management at the ECBS Holiday Get-Together. During the January meeting, Master Beekeeper Kevin Inglin will speak to the club on non-traditional hive designs and their success in northern NJ. There will be no regular meeting in February. The ECBS, a chapter of the NJ Beekeepers Association, is dedicated to teaching new beekeepers how to manage their bees and helping experienced beekeepers to do it better. If you think you might be interested in keeping honeybees and would like to explore what's involved, you're welcome to join us. Meet in Garibaldi Hall. Call ahead to confirm meeting as monthly meeting locations may change from time to time. **Fee: \$10 per child, \$12 per adult, free for ECBS and NJBA members**



New Jersey Audubon URBAN OASIS BIRDING FIELD TRIPS

Led by Dave Hall, Associate Naturalist

Field trips are designed for ages 12 and up. Have you ever wanted to “bird watch” but didn’t know where to begin? Would you like to find some of the hidden gems in Essex County? Let New Jersey Audubon be your guide. We will look for resident and over-wintering birds as well as scenic vistas. Many of these trips are to Essex County parks, the first county parks system created in the United States. Dave will set an easy pace, and most of the trails are on level and wide paths. Hikes take place unless trails are impassable due to snow or ice; heavy rain or snow cancels. Registrants will receive a confirmation call/e-mail in the event of a cancellation. Advance payment may be made via credit card. Onsite payment by exact cash or check only. To register, please contact the Scherman-Hoffman Wildlife Sanctuary at 908.396.6386.



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THURSDAY MORNING FIELD TRIPS

Essex County Hatfield Swamp

Thursday, December 19

11am

8:30am to

Take a journey into the frozen swamp to search for winter visitors and lingering fall migrants that call the heart of western Essex County home. Meet at Stop & Shop, 875 Bloomfield Avenue, West Caldwell. **Free**

Essex County Weequahic Park

Thursday, January 2

8:45am to 11am

Visit an Essex County oasis while searching for wintering ducks, gulls and passerine birds. All can be viewed along an easy trail around the lake. Enter and park at Meeker Avenue and Empire Street and meet in the large parking area on the south side of the lake. **Free**

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THURSDAY MORNING FIELD TRIPS

Essex County Hilltop Reservation

Thursday, January 16

8:30am to 11am

Take a leisurely winter hike while looking for winter wildlife, especially field and forest birds. Meet at Mountain Avenue and Courter Lane, North Caldwell. **Free**

Troy Meadows

Thursday, February 20

8:30am to 11am

Search the edges of the swamp for wintering birds and early migrants. Be prepared for muddy or icy conditions. Meet at the Essex County Environmental Center, 621B Eagle Rock Avenue, Roseland, and carpool to the trail head. **Fee: \$6 NJA members, \$8 non-members.**

SATURDAY MORNING FIELD TRIPS

Troy Meadows

Saturday, December 7

8:30am to 11:00am

Search the edges of the frozen swamp for wintering birds and early migrants. Be prepared for muddy or icy conditions. Meet at the Essex County Environmental Center, 621B Eagle Rock Avenue, Roseland, and carpool to the trail head. **Fee: \$6 NJA members, \$8 non-members**

Essex County Riker Hill and Becker Tract

Saturday, January 4

8:30am to 11am

Walk through old farm fields to discover overwintering field birds. Hike along the ridge at Riker Hill for great views and a look at woodland birds. Meet at the Environmental Center, 621B Eagle Rock Avenue, Roseland, and carpool to the hiking site. **Fee: \$6 NJA members, \$8 non-members**

Essex County Hatfield Swamp

Saturday, February 22

8:30am to 11am

Take a journey into the frozen swamp to search for winter visitors and early spring migrants that call the heart of western Essex County home. Footing could be icy or muddy depending on the weather. Meet at Stop & Shop, 875 Bloomfield Avenue, West Caldwell, and carpool to the trail head. **Fee: \$6 NJA members, \$8 non-members**

December 2019 SEASONAL PROGRAMS

GINGERBREAD HOUSE MAKING WORKSHOP

Saturday, December 7

11am to 1pm

ON SITE REGISTRATION AND CREATION OF YOUR GINGERBREAD HOME OR HABITAT. Stop by the Essex County Environmental Center and our resourceful staff will get you started on your own unique creation. Must pre-register by this date to participate in the contest. **Some materials will be provided, however, you are encouraged to bring your own items.** This is the last day to register for the contest. Advanced registration is required; call 973.228.8776. **Fee:**

Free if entering a home in the Sustainable Homes and Habitats Gingerbread Contest; otherwise, \$30 per family (up to two adults and two children) or \$10 per child; \$12 per adult



December 2019 SEASONAL PROGRAMS

14th ANNUAL SUSTAINABLE HOMES & HABITATS GINGERBREAD CONTEST & EXHIBIT



All entries must be registered by Saturday, December 7 and submitted by Monday, December 9. Create a unique gingerbread house with natural accents and green building design features. Sustainable Gingerbread Homes will be on display from Wednesday, December 11 through Saturday, December 21. Prizes will be awarded in various categories on Saturday, December 21st. To register or for more information, please call the Environmental Center at 973.228.8776.

COOKIES WITH SANTA

Saturday, December 7

1:30pm to 3pm



Bring your pets and join Essex County 4-H for a family picture with Santa. Hot cocoa and cookies for all! Meet in Garibaldi Hall. For information, contact Chrystine Gaffney at cg709@njaes.rutgers.edu. To register, visit <http://go.rutgers.edu/phe1b03p>.

Fee: \$20 per family of 4

FAMILY HOLIDAY GIFT MAKING

Saturday, December 14

11am to 1pm



All ages. Stop by between the hours of 11am and 1pm for some family fun. Choose from making a picture frame wreath/or decorating individual picture frames, a garden stepping stone, or holiday tree ornaments. Individual family members can work on their own projects or work together to create something for someone special. At the time of registration, please inform our staff how many people will be attending, as well as how many will be making a holiday gift. For more information, please call 973.228.8776. Pre-registration and minimum number of participants are required. Fee: \$30 per family (up to two adults and two children) or \$10 per child, \$12 per adult

HOLIDAY SNOWMAN ORNAMENT WITH ESSENTIAL OILS

Monday, December 16

7pm to 8pm

For adults. Join Jenn Forino, founder of plusoils.com, in making an ornament that acts as a natural wooden diffuser for essential oils. This workshop will start with a mini-lesson teaching you how to use therapeutic essential oils for your overall health and well-being. For more information, call 973.228.8776. Pre-registration, payment and minimum number of participants required by December 10th. Fee: \$15 per adult



WINTER WILDLIFE EXPLORERS CAMP

Monday, Dec. 23; Tuesday, Dec. 24; Thursday, Dec. 26

9:30am to 3:30pm



For children in kindergarten to 3rd grade. Campers enjoy stories, crafts, campfires and forest adventures exploring our wooded wetland forests in winter time. For more information, call 973.228.8776. Pre-registration, payment and minimum number of participants required. Fee: \$180 per child for all three days OR \$70 per child per day

FAMILY YOGA

Saturday, December 28

11am to 12pm

For ages 5 and up. Happy Baby, Cats and Cows, Tree, Elephant and Child's Pose. Welcome to our Family Yoga Class, where you'll share and enjoy an adventure of calming breath, fun asanas/poses, and gentle stretches with your nearest and dearest in a friendly, go-with-the-flow atmosphere. Advance registration and minimum number of participants are required; call 973.228.8776. Fee: \$10 per child, \$12 per adult



January 2020 SEASONAL PROGRAMS

THE ECO-FRIENDLY HOME

Saturday, January 4

11am to 12:30pm



For families. Make and take a hand-made food storage wrap with eco-friendly materials. Learn how to customize your own stationary and recycle paper at the same time. Let's talk about how to reduce waste at home, be kind to our environment and make special customized usable and fun crafts. Bring your family, friends or come alone. **Fee: \$30 per family (up to two adults and two children) or \$10 per child; \$12 per adult**

HOT CHOCOLATE HIKE

Saturday, January 11

11am to 12:30pm

For families. Join us for a hike around the Environmental Center forest, build a winter campfire, sip hot cocoa and make s'mores. Dress warmly. Advanced registration is required; call 973.228.8776. Minimum number of participants required. **Fee: \$30 per family (up to two adults and two children) or \$10 per child, \$12 per adult**



OWL PELLET DISSECTION

Thursday, January 16

6pm to 7:30 pm



For children ages 7-12. Learn about our beautiful and mysterious silent hunters of the night. Discover what they're eating as we discuss predators and prey and food chain dynamics. Carefully reconstruct the bones found inside owl pellets! Minimum number of participants required. **Fee: \$10 per child**

FAMILY YOGA

Saturday, January 18

11am to 12pm

For ages 5 and up. Happy Baby, Cats and Cows, Tree, Elephant and Child's Pose. Welcome to our Family Yoga Class, where you'll share and enjoy an adventure of calming breath, fun asanas/poses, and gentle stretches with your nearest and dearest in a friendly, go-with-the-flow atmosphere. Advanced registration and minimum number of participants required; call 973.228.8776. **Fee: \$30 per family (up to two adults and two children) or \$10 per child, \$12 per adult**



MLK DAY: FOREST ANIMALS WINTER SURVIVAL – ONE DAY CAMP

Monday, January 20

9:30am to 3:30pm

For kids ages 5-10. Look at winter habitats and how New Jersey nature survives the cold season! Children will explore the winter wetlands and do indoor activities that are both fun and educational. Provide your child with good footwear and outer wear so we can fully enjoy the seasonal discoveries. **Fee: \$75 per child**

SMART CYCLING

Tuesday, January 21

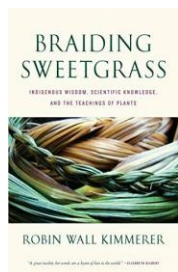
7pm to 8:30pm

For Adults. The Smart Cycling workshop offered by TransOptions <https://www.transoptions.org/> is designed to develop confidence and competence of a bicycle rider. You'll want to attend this class if you're looking to add more cycling in your life or to improve your current understanding of core content. Participants will review how to best choose a bicycle, essential equipment, local bike law, as well as how to safely and comfortably ride your bike in various traffic conditions, terrain and climates. This workshop will cover the building blocks to meet the needs of any rider and we will be happy to work with you on a curriculum tailored to your needs. Advanced registration is required; call 973.228.8776. Minimum number of participants required. **Fee: \$12 per adult**



January 2020 SEASONAL PROGRAMS

BOOK CIRCLE: BRAIDING SWEETGRASS BY ROBIN WALL KIMMERER



Tuesday, January 28

7pm to 8:30 pm

Come share the stories and reflections on personal and ecological wisdom and ways of being in right relationship with the Earth. Essex County Environmental Center is offering three different workshops (two others in March 2020) to explore supporting self-care and sustainability. Weaving together botany, books and hands on learning about stress reduction practices, each workshop will focus on resiliency and well-being. Interactive and inspiring, these offerings are facilitated by Jill Wodnick, mother, community herbalist and maternal health specialist at Montclair State University. Advanced registration is required; call 973.228.8776. Minimum number of participants required.

Fee: \$12 per adult

WINTER WELLNESS WITH ESSENTIAL OILS

Tuesday, January 28

7pm to 8pm

For adults. No one has time for sickness to slow them down! Learn from Jenn Forino, founder of plusoils.com, how you can easily incorporate the benefits of therapeutic essential oils into your busy lifestyle to achieve the health you need. Pre-registration, payment and minimum number of participants required by January 27th. For information, call 973.228.8776. **Fee: \$12 per adult**



February 2020 SEASONAL PROGRAMS

WINTER JOURNALING

Saturday, February 1

11am to 12:30pm

All ages (children under 5 require caregiver supervision). Discover the joy of phenology, the cyclic and seasonal natural phenomena, especially in relation to climate and plant and animal life. Let us find a special place to write down and draw our winter discoveries and appreciate the cold and brisk change of the season. Maybe partake in some winter birding! We will also hike the grounds to note seasonal changes and beautiful discoveries. We will make our journals here on site. Friends and family are encouraged to join. Dress warmly. Advanced registration is required; call 973.228.8776. Minimum number of participants required. **Fee: \$30 per family (up to two adults and two children) or \$10 per child, \$12 per adult**



ELDERBERRY SYRUP & ESSENTIAL OILS

Tuesday, February 4

7pm to 8pm

For adults. With the seasons changing, it is important to do all we can to support a healthy immune system. No one has time to get sick! Be ready the next time someone sneezes in your house! Jenn Forino, from plusoils.com, is teaming up with local elderberry syrup supplier, Diana Weeks, to teach about the power of plants! The presentation includes information on elderberry syrup, essential oils, vitamins, and more! Each registered guest goes home with a bottle of elderberry syrup. Register by January 31st. Advanced registration and minimum number of participants required; call 973.228.8776. **Fee: \$20 per adult**



FAMILY YOGA

Saturday, February 8

11am to 12pm

For ages 5 and up. Happy Baby, Cats and Cows, Tree, Elephant and Child's Pose. Welcome to our Family Yoga Class, where you'll share and enjoy an adventure of calming breath, fun asanas/poses, and gentle stretches with your nearest and dearest in a friendly, go-with-the-flow atmosphere. Advanced registration and minimum number of participants required; call 973.228.8776. **Fee: \$30 per family (up to two adults and two children) or \$10 per child, \$12 per adult**

February 2020 SEASONAL PROGRAMS

BUILD A BIRD HOUSE



Saturday, February 15

11am to 12:30pm

For adults and children ages 8 and older who are accompanied by an adult. Join us to build a home that encourages breeding birds and other wildlife to take residence. Putting out your bird house now creates a good chance of having a nesting pair of songbirds in your garden by spring. Advanced registration is required; call 973.228.8776. Minimum number of participants required. **Fee: \$10 per child; \$12 per adult**

PRESIDENTS DAY: AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL, LOVE YOUR LAND

Monday, February 17

1pm to 4pm

For children ages 7-12. On this day, your children will learn how to conserve resources and preserve nature. Projects will include using recycled materials collected here at the Center, fun role-playing scenarios in order to make healthy and good choices for our environment and a lesson about our wetlands. Our future leaders will explore their attachment to this great country and its land. Dress warmly. Advanced registration is required; call 973.228.8776. Minimum number of participants required. **Fee: \$35 per child**



WINTER CAMPFIRE AND CHARCOAL ART

Thursday, February 20

6:15pm to 7:45pm



All ages (under 5 requires caregiver supervision). Friends and family welcome. Come alone or bring a group. Join us for a winter campfire and make your own charcoal art stick. We can collect our perfect charcoal pencil and watch it turn into a tool of art magic! Charcoal art paper will be provided and expect to get your hands dirty with this fun project! Dress warmly. Advanced registration is required; call 973.228.8776. Minimum number of participants required. **Fee: \$30 per family (up to two adults and two children) or \$10 per child, \$12 per adult**

WINTER ADVENTURE

Saturday, February 22

12pm to 1:30pm

For children ages 7-10. Together we'll explore team building exercises out on our forest trails and discuss and develop the skills we use to cooperate and make beneficial decisions about ourselves, each other and our environment. All challenges are meant to encourage growth and cooperation skills. Consider sending in age appropriate siblings! Dress warmly. Advance registration is required; call 973.228.8776. Minimum number of participants required. **Fee: \$10 per child**



ESSEX COUNTY BEEKEEPERS SOCIETY: BASIC BEEKEEPING: 3-DAY SHORT COURSE

Saturdays, February 22 & 29; Field Day TBA

8:30am to 4pm

For adults and children ages 12 and older. This short course is appropriate for new beekeepers, as well as those who need a refresher. It is presented by the Essex County Beekeepers Society, <http://ecbs.njbeekeepers.org/index.htm>, a branch of the New Jersey Beekeepers Association, with head instructor/coordinator Master Beekeeper Landi Simone. The class will cover everything beginning beekeepers need to know, from purchasing equipment to harvesting honey and the basics of disease and mite management. The third day of class will be a hands-on Field Day to be held in April 2019 at various area apiaries. For more information, contact registrar Pat Gamsby at BJORNLASS@aol.com or 973.960.2997. Email is the preferred means of reaching Pat. Online registration available at <https://njba38.wildapricot.org/events>. Meet in Garibaldi Hall. Snow date: March 2nd. **Fee: \$130, which includes all class materials, continental breakfast, and afternoon snack.**



NEW THIS YEAR! BICYCLE FRIENDLY DRIVER

Monday, February 24

7pm to 8:30pm

For Adults. The Bicycle Friendly Driver program TransOptions <https://www.transoptions.org/> includes knowledge useful to all drivers. Through interactive discussions and videos, participants learn the principles for sharing the road safety with people on bicycles. We'll cover local law for both motorists and bicyclists, common crashes and how to avoid them, safe passing and how to navigate bicycle infrastructure. Advance registration is required; call 973.228.8776. Minimum number of participants required. **Fee: \$12 per adult**



LOOKING AHEAD

SPRING CAMP

Monday, April 6; Tuesday, April 7; Wednesday, April 8

12:30pm to 4:30pm

OR Tuesday, April 14; Wednesday, April 15; Thursday, April 16

For children in grades 1 through 5. Restore the bond between children and nature. Children will have the opportunity to explore nature right here at the Essex County Environmental Center. For details, call the Center at 973.228.8776. Advanced registration and payment are required. **Fees: \$170 per child for all 3 days OR \$70 per child/per day**



EARTH DAY 2020

Saturday, April 25

11am to 4pm



HAPPY 50 YEARS EARTH DAY! Bring your family, friends, and neighbors for our annual outdoor Earth festival. On this special day, celebrating its 50th anniversary year, the Essex County Environmental Center will make extra efforts to share its wonder and appreciation of the natural world with its patrons, partners and friends. Enjoy a day filled with crafts, games, and recreational opportunities, such as canoeing and hiking. Enjoy demonstrations, information, a local eco-vendors' sale, with Environmental Center staff and partner groups on hand to guide you throughout the day. **FREE EVENT (items may be for sale)**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ESSEX COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION—Meetings are typically held the first Monday of each month at 6pm at the Essex County Environmental Center. Some dates may change. For an up to date listing of meeting dates or for more information, please contact Essex County Environmental Affairs Coordinator Tara M. Casella at 973.228.8776.

FARMERS MARKET QUALITY PRODUCE—Delivered to the Essex County Environmental Center

Sign-up for Field Goods to get a delightful variety of fresh and healthy, sustainably grown produce and artisan products. Fruit and vegetable bag subscriptions, as well as a la carte local produce items, bread, cheese, eggs, pasta, salad, yogurt, and more from over 60 small farms and producers. Orders start at \$16. New customers save \$10 with code REALFOOD10. Produce is non-GMO and mostly organic. Go to www.field-goods.com, click "Order Now" and search Essex County Environmental Center location.

GARDENING—Do you have garden-related questions? Contact Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Essex County and a Master Gardener will gladly assist you on their FREE helpline service. Helpline hours are Monday through Friday from 10am to 2pm. Call 973.228.2210 or e-mail mastergardener@essexcountynj.org.

WOODTURNING—The NJ Woodturners Association would like to diversify its membership and gain more participation from women and children. The association has half a dozen very talented female members, but is encouraging women and children to come to the meetings and learn about the wonderful world of woodturning. The Woodturners meet on the fourth Monday of every month from 7pm to 9:30pm in Garibaldi Hall. Contact Bob Amarant at 908.442.4729 for more information.

ESSEX COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER PARTNER AGENCIES

New Jersey Audubon (NJA) – Kelly Wenzel 908.396.6506

Essex County Beekeepers Society (ECBS) – Michael Frey 973.239.3434

West Essex Park Conservancy (WEPC) – Ron Pate 973.669.8030

Rutgers Master Gardeners of Essex County (MGEC) – Jan Zientek 973.228.3179

New Jersey Woodturners Association (NJWA) – Gualberto Malave 908.310.3557

Essex County 4-H Youth Development Program (4-H) – Marissa Blodnik 973.228.3785

ATTENTION:

If you are not already on our e-mail list, and you would like to receive an electronic file of our brochure as well as other e-notices and alerts, please call the Center (973.228.8776) at your earliest convenience or e-mail tcasella@parks.essexcountynj.org with an e-mail address. Thank you!



Our Environmental Center has become the premiere location for environmental education and nature appreciation. With the help of our partner groups, our dynamic schedule of events and activities will captivate all ages. Walk in our woods, discover habitats, get pointers on gardening, learn about nature photography and much more. It's all about nature and it's all at our Environmental Center.

Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr., *Essex County Executive*

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