# SCHEDULE AND REGISTER YOUR DEN'S PROGRAM BY...

- Call the center at 609-427-3052 -or-
- Register in person at the center.

If you have any questions: please call or email us at plainsboro@njaudubon.org

#### **Program Fees**

- Programs are 90 minutes long, and take place at the Plainsboro Preserve
- \$100 for the first 10 scouts, \$10.00 per additional scout or sibling. No cost for leaders or chaperones.
- \$50 deposit will hold your reservation.
  Payment of balance is due upon arrival on the day of your program.
- Deposits are non-refundable within 14 days of your scheduled program.

To accommodate scheduling, please call with several possible dates and times in mind. Spring and Autumn dates fill up quickly, so be sure to make your reservations early, at least a month in advance.

All programs have an outdoor component and run rain or shine, so **please come dressed properly**.

# OF SPECIAL INTEREST...

Contact us about volunteer projects including trail cleanups and invasive plant removal; and guidance with Boy Scout badges, community service, and Eagle Scout projects.

### New Jersey Audubon Plainsboro Preserve

The Plainsboro Preserve is centrally located in New Jersey on over 1,000 acres of land with a mix of habitats, from mature forest to open fields to wetlands areas. There are five miles of trails which are easy to moderate to walk, making the Preserve a wonderful place to hike for all ages. The centerpiece of the Preserve is the scenic 50-acre McCormack Lake, with a diverse wildlife population that includes beavers, racoons, aguatic turtles and herons.

Trails are open to the public every day from 7:30 A.M. until the posted time at dusk, and are available for all to use. The Nature Center building is open Tuesday through Saturday from 9—5, and Sundays from 12—5.

The Preserve is for foot traffic only, and please, no picnicking, pets, swimming, boating, or fishing.

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# CUB SCOUT PROGRAMS

LION, TIGER, WOLF, BEAR, AND WEBELOS



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# **LION SCOUTS**

#### **Mountain Lion**

Learn how to enjoy nature safely while having fun!

- Gather items you need to have an outdoor adventure and understand the buddy system
- 2. Learn what SAW (Stay, Answer, Whistle) means
- Demonstrate an understanding of respect for nature on a hike at the Preserve

# **TIGER SCOUTS**

#### My Tiger Jungle

Learn about the plants, animals and insects in your area, their purpose in the environment, and how to protect the environment.

- Make a list of the living things you find on a 1-foot hike
- Identify two different kinds of local birds
- Build a birdhouse out of recycled material to hang at home!
- 4. Go on a walk and pick out two sounds you hear in the Preserve

#### **Tigers in the Wild**

Explore the natural world and get to know the plants and animals that live in your area.

- Name and collect the Cub Scout Six Essentials needed for a hike
- 2. Hike the trails of the Preserve with a naturalist
- 3. Review the Outdoor Code and Leave No Trace Principles
- 4. Find three different kinds of plants, animals, or signs that animals have been on the trail
- Find two different trees and two different types of plants that grow in the area

#### WOLF SCOUTS

#### Paws on the Path

There's more to hiking than just heading out onto trails. Learn proper preparation and the six essentials of hiking and leave no trace principals. We'll look for tracks, scat, and of course—birds!

- Put together the Cub Scout Six Essentials for your hike
- Review the buddy system and what to do if you get separated from your group
- 3. Review the Outdoor Code and Leave No Trace Principles
- 4. Hike the trails of the Preserve with a naturalist
- Name two birds, two insects, and two other animals that live in your area and how to identify them
- 6. Draw a map of the Preserve to take home!



# **BEAR SCOUTS**

#### Fur, Feathers, and Ferns

Go in search of animal evidence. Observe wildlife from a distance and plants super close up! Learn why composting is great for the environment and gardens alike, what happened to threatened and endangered species, and how you can make a different in the natural world.

- 1. Hike the trails of the Preserve with a naturalist
- 2. Observe wildlife from a distance
- 3. Identify signs of mammals, birds, insects, reptiles, or plants that live in the area
- 4. Learn about animal extinction and causes
- Use a magnifying glass to examine plants more closely
- Learn about composting and how vegetable waste can be turned into fertilizer for plants!

## WEBELOS SCOUTS

#### **Webelos Walkabout**

Plan and enjoy a 3-mile hike at the Preserve!

- 1. Plan and prepare for your hike
- Review the Outdoor Code and Leave No Trace
  Principles
- 3. Hike the trails of the Preserve with a naturalist
- 4. Learn about poisonous plants, dangerous animals and insects you might encounter on your hike!

#### Into the Woods

Trees are the name of the game! We'll look at the inside of a tree, identify some common species, and get an appreciation for all the uses of these important plants.

- 1. Hike the trails of the Preserve with a naturalist
- Identify two different groups of trees and the parts of trees
- Identify six trees and six plans common that are native to the area
- 4. Learn how the growth rings of a tree trunk tell its life story!

#### Into the Wild

Take a closer look at wildlife! Learn how birds travel the globe on "bird highways" and the balance of nature in an ecosystem.

- 1. Hike the trails of the Preserve with a naturalist
- 2. Watch for and identify birds you see on your hike
- 3. Learn about bird migration and "flyways" near the Preserve and which birds use them
- 4. Identify and watch creatures in the wild at the Preserve and learn about their habitat and place in the food chain
- 5. Learn about aquatic ecosystems and wetlands in your area and their important role in nature
- 6. Learn how you can help protect the balance of nature!