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PERMIT FAST-TRACKING: COMING TO A NEIGHBORHOOD NEAR YOU!



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Urban and suburban areas in New Jersey subject to fast-track permitting

by Carleton Montgomery

The New Jersey Legislature is not renowned for fast action on such vital public issues as the budget, anti-"pay to play" laws, or property tax reform. But it did act in record time to pass a bill many are calling "EZ Pass for Polluters"—a bill that creates lightning fast permitting for virtually any kind and scale of development in fully one-third of New Jersey, including all Pinelands "growth areas." The bill, designated S. 1368, has been condemned by every newspaper editorial board in the state and has generated a major public education campaign by environmental and urban organizations across New Jersey. Unless

defeated in the courts, this new fast-track permitting process will make it virtually impossible for residents, watchdog organizations like PPA, and indeed the government itself to make developers and industry respect environmental laws in all designated growth areas.

It took the Legislature less than a week from the Friday afternoon when it first released drafts of the bill to the following Thursday when the full Senate and Assembly passed the bill. Why the rush? One can only conclude the Governor and legislative leaders knew this bill would outrage the public and stick in the craw of any fair-minded legislator if they were given time to read and understand the bill before

dozens of deals were cut behind closed doors to win its passage. Governor McGreevey then signed the bill in private, with no press, on a Friday night—an admission that this law is nothing to be proud of. We can only speculate as to the true authors of this bill and the motives of its supporters.

What exactly will this Fast-Track Permit Bill do? Here is a summary of its key provisions:

- 1 Creates a "Smart Growth Ombudsman" appointed by the Governor to (a) review all new regulations of any state agency (except Pinelands Commission, Highlands Council and Meadowlands Commission) for consistency with the State Plan and (b) advocate for permit applicants. No agency may publish proposed regulations until the Ombudsman determines it is consistent with the State Plan.

What's the problem? This is a secret and unreviewable process—there are no notice, hearing or appeal rights. And the State Plan isn't written like a statute or regulation with clear, consistent standards. So the process will not only be secret and unreviewable, it will be arbitrary and heavily politicized. We know from experience that the more politicized the regulatory process becomes, the more the environment loses out.

- 1 Creates a right to expedited 45-day permit review for virtually all permits issued by the Department of

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Environmental Protection, Department of Transportation and Department of Community Affairs for activities in "growth areas" across the state. The "growth areas" include all State Plan Metropolitan (PA1) and Suburban (PA2) Planning Areas, all Pinelands "growth areas," all urban enterprise zones, areas determined to be in need of redevelopment, "or similar areas designated by the Department of Environmental Protection." According to legislators, this is at least 1/3 of the State.

This fast-tracking of permits applies to all Pinelands growth area towns—the very same towns that are already experiencing breakneck rates of development, with all the stress that puts on local tax rates, schools and community character.

Worse, the bill applies the same 45-day time limit no matter what the kind or size or impacts of the project for which the permit is sought. The same time limit applies to the environmental permits needed for a toxic chemical plant or a 1,000 home development as for a permit to build a street across a stream.

1 Mandates that the permit is automatically granted if the agency does not act within the 45-day time limit—no matter what the legal merits of the application, the impacts on human health, communities or the environment and regardless of whether there is a good-faith effort by the agency.

This is a no-excuses bill—and the people who will suffer if DEP, DOT or DCA doesn't act fast enough are the public. In practice, we can expect our regulators, who are supposed to be looking out for the public's best interest, to just grant applications in order to avoid automatic approvals, or lawsuits if they say no.

1 Tries to eliminate avenues for the public to find out about these applications, to comment on them, and to appeal to the agency head and the courts if the staff makes a bad decision. At each step of the process, this bill aims to prevent public notice and participation, and to cut off normal avenues of appeal.

In sum, the fast-track permit review process is designed to eliminate informed, accountable review of activities that may have enormous impacts on a community and its residents.

1 Makes a major assault on wetlands and water resource protections. The bill changes a list of wetlands and other permits to "permits by rule" when the activity is in a growth area. That means applicants can simply submit a statement by a certified professional that their activity complies with

the law and go ahead, with no application, no public notice, and no permit review process. In essence, it privatizes environmental reviews and puts the review in the hands of the developer's own paid consultants.

Can we really trust consultants paid by the applicants to protect the public's rights under health, safety and environmental laws? It's sometimes hard enough to get government officials to implement protective rules consistently and rigorously. No one should expect the applicant's own consultants to represent the public's interests. We've seen dozens of cases in the Pinelands where developers' consultants have fashioned their results to gain approvals for their clients.

Among many damaging provisions, the bill applies fast-track review to water allocation permits just because a given well is proposed to be drilled in a "growth area." Any major well will draw on water from an aquifer that does not respect our "growth area" boundaries. The harm of an improvidently granted water allocation will not be confined to a growth area. We have already seen exactly this happen in the case of the famous Berlin Borough Well, which the Borough intentionally placed right outside the Pinelands boundary to ease its approval, but has since had to close at much loss of money because it was literally draining streams and wetlands both inside and outside the Pinelands.

The bill is based on the idea that "smart growth" means suburbs and cities do not merit the same rigorous application of law as rural and natural areas—and that residents of suburbs and cities do not deserve the same right to know about and comment on the permits that affect their lives and property. Of course, that's nonsense. And it discriminates against those living in urban places.

Take wetlands protection as an example. Wetlands in growth areas need at least as much protection as wetlands in non-growth areas, because growth areas need healthy wetlands to protect water quality, for flood control, or for good community design. Looking just at water quality, it is precisely in growth areas that we need wetlands and wetland buffers to cleanse ground and surface waters of the fertilizers and other contaminants that development brings.

Sacrificing environmental protections, wetlands and human health in "growth areas" is not "smart" growth.

The bill can be downloaded from the New Jersey Legislature Web Site (www.njleg.state.nj.us) by searching for "S1368" in the Bill Search box of the home page. Much of the press coverage and editorial treatment of the bill can be found on the web at <http://sierraactivist.org>.



"Bears are rapidly approaching extinction in New Jersey, being now, probably, found only in some of the more remote cedar swamps of the pine barrens."

-Witmer Stone, Annual Report of the New Jersey State Museum, 1907

As New Jersey's Black Bear population approached extinction in the early 1900's, due to loss of habitat and hunting pressure, it held out, finally, according to state biologists, in north Jersey (DEP Report)*. Some south Jersey locals, however, say bears never entirely disappeared from the Pinelands region.

In any case, they are once again making their presence felt here. News sources keep reporting sightings, and wildlife biologists are documenting the expansion eastward and southward. This expansion is a biological necessity.



Black Bear (*Ursus americanus*)

Black Bears are normally solitary, except for sows with their own cubs. Home ranges can overlap, and individuals may temporarily tolerate other individuals in some circumstances, but certain members of the population aren't welcome anywhere. "Young males are not allowed on anyone's territories. They presumably hunt for undefended habitat on which to settle." **

Undefended habitat is getting scarce in north Jersey, where the DEP says bear populations are rising for several reasons.

First, bears have had game status in New Jersey since 1953, which has protected the animals from indiscriminate killing and stabilized the population. Fewer than 50 bears were legally taken between 1958 and 1970, and the season was closed 1971. Second, New York and Pennsylvania bear populations have been increasing, and New Jersey bears interact with them as a single population. Third, the habitat has improved as forests have matured.

So, as young male bears expand the borders of the population, a host of questions greets them:

Are they dangerous? The short answer is that, like people, they certainly can be, but unlike people, they rarely are. They normally avoid us. Of course, if a sow feels the need to defend her cubs, or if a bear becomes habituated to people, aggressive behavior becomes more likely.

Even where people coexist with a lively bear population, though, dangerous interactions can be extremely rare—with an educated public. "The primary message," according to the DEP Report, "is 'Do Not Feed Bears,' either intentionally or non-intentionally and 'bear-proof' your surroundings to avoid conflicts with bears."

How far south have they come? The DEP Report says that, "In 2003, bear sightings were recorded for 16 of New Jersey's 21 counties including Bergen and Union in the east, and Atlantic and Cumberland in the South." In 2004, sightings in the Pinelands seem to have multiplied both in number and in area.

What do they eat in the Pinelands? Black Bears are omnivorous, but "only a small portion of the...diet is of animal material, and that mostly the larvae and pupae of colonial insects: ants, wasps, and bees. They also eat many beetles and their larvae." "They feed primarily on grasses and forbs in the spring, and on fruits and mast in summer and fall." Certainly, they also love honey, and their

taste for honey and blueberries is bound to get Pinelands bears into trouble. Hopefully, we can all work creatively to solve the problems.

Do they hibernate? Black Bears enter a state of dormancy that is very similar to, yet distinct from true hibernation. Body temperature, heart rate, and respiration fall, though not as drastically as in true hibernators. They don't eat, drink or excrete anything. On the other hand, the females give birth during this time. Also, "Most hibernators wake periodically, but bears do not wake during winter unless disturbed. If they are disturbed, they will rouse readily."

Where can they "hibernate" in the Pinelands? The common image of bears necessarily hibernating in caves is not accurate. They may overwinter in hollow trees or logs, or on the forest floor where overhanging branches afford some shelter. They may excavate a hollow in an earthen bank, or go into a beaver lodge or under a brush pile, or building.

How will bears be protected in the Pines? They are protected by the game regulations. Not only is it illegal to take (kill or trap) or attempt to take a game animal out of season, it is also illegal to take one in any non-authorized area.

As Black Bears return to their native haunts in south Jersey, we have a marvelous opportunity to get acquainted with these impressive creatures. Hopefully, we can all welcome this new and thrilling chapter in the history of the Pinelands region.

*"DEP Report" refers, here, to BLACK BEAR IN NEW JERSEY-Status Report 2004, furnished by the NJDEP, available at www.state.nj.us/dep/fgw/.

**Natural history quotes and facts, unless otherwise indicated, are from *Mammals of the Eastern United States*, by Whitaker and Hamilton, Comstock Publishing Associates, 1998.



Southern Evesham/Medford Conservation Planning

Vindication after many years! After more than six years of battling state agencies and the Pinelands Commission to protect threatened and endangered (T&E) species at the Sanctuary development in Evesham Township, PPA can say without hesitation, we told you so. As a result of PPA's persistence, and the enormous amount of time that the Commission has spent (wasted) and continues to spend dealing with T&E species in the area, the Commission has embarked on an initiative to protect T&E species on a sub-regional basis rather than on a site-by-site basis.

Development within the Pinelands is guided by the land use and resource protection standards of the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan (CMP), which designates different management areas throughout the Pinelands. While the CMP has been quite successful in directing development to appropriate areas, occasionally its land use strategy conflicts with natural resource protection, especially when T&E species are found in growth areas, such as Evesham. The hope is that through this planning effort there will be greater protection of T&E species, water quality and preservation of the Pinelands landscape. Another primary goal of this effort is to avoid future embarrassing debacles like the Sanctuary.

Jackson Planning Board Supports Recommendations

The Pinelands Commission's Toms River Corridor Task Force, of which PPA is a member, completed its Regional Natural Resource Protection Plan for the 17,000 acre Toms River

Corridor in Jackson and Manchester Townships, Ocean County.

The report put forth many recommendations that when implemented would afford better protection to the natural resources, including habitat for T&E plants and animals and water resources, of the Toms River Corridor. Now the municipalities need to implement these recommendations through master plan and zoning changes.

PPA attended the July 12, 2004 Jackson Township Planning Board meeting, where the Master Plan Re-examination Report was passed and adopted. Task force recommendations included:

- 1 A reduction in the size of the Pinelands Villages of Cassville, Vanhiseville, and Legler.
- 1 Creation of a new Forest Zone which would replace the existing FA-3 zone that allows for one dwelling unit for every 3.2 acres. The new FA-6 zone allows for a density of one dwelling unit for every six acres of land, with a mandatory one-acre clustering of houses on the development site.

It is now up to the Jackson Township Committee to introduce an ordinance implementing the recommendations.

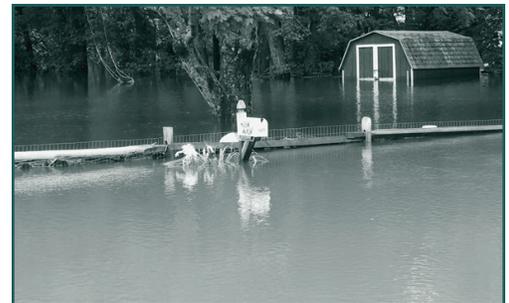
PINELANDS WATCH: CITIZENS IN ACTION

A growing network of citizens is helping to ensure that development proposals get the kind of scrutiny they ought to get while they are still in the proposal stage. Vigilant, concerned citizens have the opportunity to shape the future of their towns, if they get an early start. We can help. If you monitor development proposals in a Pinelands township, join the **Pinelands Watch** network. Call Theresa at 609 859-8860 for details.

5TH ANNUAL PINELANDS SUMMER TEACHER INSTITUTE: THE WEEK IN PICTURES



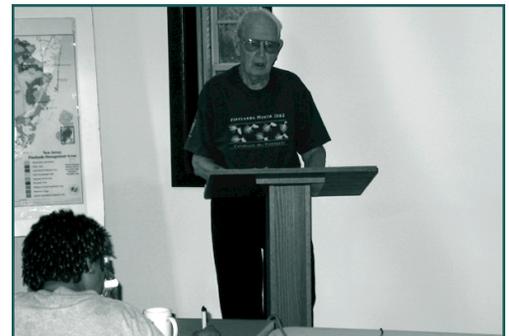
MONDAY: PPA Executive Director Carleton Montgomery welcomes teachers to Bishop Farmstead



TUESDAY: Ten inches of rain in Vincentown wash out Main Street and cancel the our day's activities



WEDNESDAY: Herpetologist Dave Schneider shows attendees a Timber Rattlesnake - up close!



THURSDAY: Author and field naturalist Howard Boyd discusses Pinelands Ecology

by Barbara Solem



On Sunday, October 3, 2004 the Pinelands Preservation Alliance will host the 9th annual Pinelands Celebration festival. The festival, which is a kick-off event to Pinelands Month, will be held at Whitesbog Village in Browns Mills, Burlington County and will run from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. The focus of the event is to raise environmental awareness and appreciation of the Pinelands. All events at the festival are free though a \$5.00 per vehicle parking fee to help cover PPA's costs will be charged.

The entire day will be dedicated to celebrating all aspects of the Pinelands and will include walking and wagon tours, presenters who are experts on the Pinelands, fascinating exhibits, live music, great food and a noon time release of a rehabilitated wild hawk.

This year's presentations will include: noted Entomologist and Pine Barrens author Howard Boyd speaking on the *Ecology of the Pine Barrens*; renowned local historian and botanist Ted Gordon, talking about the *Historic Towns Throughout the Pine Barrens*; Andrew Anderson, Pine Barrens educator and folklorist presenting *Lost in the Pines*; Dr. William Guthrie, Professor at Rider College, will speak on *The Lenape: Original People of the Pines*; Russell Juelg, PPA staff naturalist will tell tales

about *The Jersey Devil*; Barry Brady, Pinelands Commission staff archaeologist will present on the *Industrial Revolution in the Pines*; Thomas Darlington, nephew of Elizabeth White, inventor and Whitesbog historian will present *Whitesbog: From Furnace to Farming* and Linda Smith, Director of the Bear Resource Center will do a timely presentation entitled *Living Peacefully with Black Bears*.

Walking and Wagon Tours will run throughout the day and include: cranberry bog tours, historic tours of Whitesbog Village, fall foliage walks, ecology walking tours and wagon rides that feature famous Pinelands characters.

A wide variety of exhibitors, artists, nature photographers, environmental organizations and interactive displays will be showcased. Staff from Cedar Run Wildlife Refuge will educate visitors on Pinelands animals and display live critters at their exhibit area. The children's tent will offer kids the opportunity to create and take home environmentally themed crafts. Festival participants will be able to enjoy a wagon ride through the pine woods of Whitesbog with Bob and Turk, Clydesdale horses driven by Janet Jackson Gould of Bear's Meadow Farm. Live bluegrass and folk music will be performed on the stage throughout the day, with performers including: Mountain Thunder Drum,

Bad Dogz with Joe Wills, Home Cookin', Sugar Sand Ramblers, Dave Orleans and Cedar Crick.

A 5K run through the bogs of Whitesbog will occur prior to the start of the festival. Riders will culminate a 5-day bike ride celebrating the Pinelands at Whitesbog Village on the afternoon of the festival.

The Pinelands Celebration is the first of a month long series of events that highlight the importance of the New Jersey Pinelands as an ecological, cultural, historical and agricultural center.

FAIRS & FESTIVALS

AUGUST 14
OCEAN TOWNSHIP FOUNDER'S DAY CELEBRATION
FREDERIC PRIFF SCHOOL
ROUTE 532, WARETOWN

AUGUST 21 & 22
MONMOUTH COUNTY CLEARWATER FESTIVAL
ASBURY PARK

SEPTEMBER 18
JACKSON DAY
JACKSON

SEPTEMBER 18
WATERFORD DAY
RITTER RECREATION COMPLEX
ATCO

SEPTEMBER 18 & 19
WINGS N' WATER FESTIVAL
WETLANDS INSTITUTE
STONE HARBOR

SEPTEMBER 19
BURLINGTON COUNTY ARTS FESTIVAL
SMITHVILLE PARK, EASTAMPTON

SEPTEMBER 25 & 26
OCEAN COUNTY DECOY & GUNNING SHOW
TUCKERTON

OCTOBER 3
PINELANDS MONTH CELEBRATION
WHITESBOG HISTORIC VILLAGE
Stop by the PPA exhibit and check out our new Merchandise!



PPA volunteer Linda Woolston prepares new membership materials at the Farmhouse



Garden Committee volunteers Nancy Buchanan and Perry Krakora take a break from their labors

by Traci Connaughton



We at the Pinelands Preservation Alliance are extremely appreciative of all the support our donors have given us over the years. Your donations of time, money and property have sustained us and helped us to continue to advocate for New Jersey's most unique natural resources.

We are particularly grateful for those who have shown a special devotion to PPA by making a bequest in their wills. By joining the Evergreen Society, these members have made a gift that will not only fund our present, but also ensure the future of PPA.

Annual gifts from PPA's friends help finance our current efforts. A bequest will help stabilize our funding by endowment, enabling the organization to advance its important mission for years to come.

A gift through the Evergreen Society serves to extend the impact of a donor's lifetime philanthropy, as well as provide a more secure future for their loved ones. Careful estate planning preserves your wealth, lowers estate and income taxes, perpetuates your values and provides for your family and loved ones.

Most people realize that, if they have not stated their wishes in a will, the government can decide how their estate is to be divided.

If you love the outdoors, if you cherish the joys of nature and want to save New Jersey's wilderness for others, a planned gift to PPA is one of the most effective ways to carry out your wishes.

There are many ways to make a planned gift to PPA, but the most popular are:

Your Will or Estate Plan. A bequest is one of the easiest and cost effective ways of ensuring that your family and

friends are provided for while helping PPA and other favorite charities serve for generations to come. To prepare your estate plan follow these simple steps:

- (1) List the people important to you,
- (2) List the charitable institutions important to you,
- (3) List your assets,
- (4) Decide on the distribution of your assets,
- (5) Gather your facts,
- (6) Visit your attorney.

If you wish to remember PPA in your will, a simple codicil is all that is needed.

Stock. "Long term" appreciated securities (stock you have owned at least a year and a day) are among the most advantageous ways of donating to your favorite charity. With gifts of stock, you can avoid capital gains taxes, garner substantial income tax savings . . . and may avoid estate taxes as well.

Your planned gift allows you to make a commitment to our community that will benefit generations to come. Please consider using your will to leave a long-lasting legacy, and notify us when you do. To discuss joining the Evergreen Society, contact us at (609) 859-8860.

PINELANDS COMMISSION MEETINGS

Friday, August 13, 9:30am
Friday, September 10, 9:30am

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
CALL (609) 894-7300 FOR INFORMATION

ONE BOOK NJ/THE PINE BARRENS PRESENTATIONS: UPDATE!

These events have been a rousing success in terms of reaching out to folks across the state who have little or no knowledge of the Pinelands. This Spring alone, more than **600** people at **21** locations in **7** different counties came to see our film and join in a discussion of John McPhee's book.

PPA's presentations are on hiatus during the summer months, but will resume again in the Fall. Our next **One Book NJ/The Pine Barrens** event is September 22 (7:30pm) at Summit Public Library.

Please contact PPA for more information or to schedule a presentation for your community in the Fall.

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Alliance for a Living Ocean. 2007 Long Beach Boulevard, North Beach Haven. 609 492-0222. ALO.

Bayshore Discovery Project (BDP). For information about events or the Schooner A.J. Meerwald, call 800-485-3072, x100 or e-mail ajmeerwald@snip.net

The Nature Conservancy (TNC). Pine Barrens Office, 120-34 Whitesbog Road, Browns Mills. 609-735-2200, www.nature.org

Pinelands Preservation Alliance (PPA). 17 Pemberton Road, Southampton, NJ 609-859-8860. www.pinelandsalliance.org. Offers a 10% discount on Pinelands Adventures programs to PPA members.

Whitesbog. All events meet at the Whitesbog General Store. Historic Whitesbog is located at mile marker 13 on Rt. 530, southeast of Browns Mills in Pemberton Township. 609-893-4646, www.whitesbog.org.

Woodford Cedar Run Wildlife Refuge. 4 Sawmill Road, Medford, NJ 08055. 856 983-0326, www.cedarrun.org.

Saturday, August 7

Greenhead Fly Festival and "Swat n Paddle Kayak Race"

Join us as we celebrate the pesky greenhead fly and other bugs and insects. Children's games and activities fly trap building, kayak race, crafts, food, music and more. A fun-filled experience for the whole family. 10am-5pm. **Tuckerton Seaport.**

Pine Mount Watershed Botanical Field Trip

A joint field trip of Philadelphia Botanical Club and the Torrey Botanical Society at Pine Mount Watershed, Springtown, Greenwich Township. Includes an abandoned cranberry bog. Keep your eye out for a number of rare species that have historically been reported from this area. Meet at 10am. Contact Gerry Moore at (609) 432-8012 or gerry-moore@bbg.org, or see http://www.acnatsci.org/hosted/botany_club/ for details.

Saturday, August 14

Bennett Bogs Botanical Field Trip

A joint field trip of Philadelphia Botanical Club and the Torrey

Botanical Society to Bennett Bogs in Cape May County. This preserve is situated in a low, moist coastal plain mixed oak forest and includes three vernal ponds. Contact Renee Scagnelli at (856) 692-0460 or pbfdler@yahoo.com, or see http://www.acnatsci.org/hosted/botany_club/ for details.

Volunteer Work Day

If you are interested in helping the Trust with repairs, maintenance, garden or office work, please call to register. Free. Lunch provided. 10am-3pm. **Whitesbog.**

Wednesday, August 25

Sailor for a Day

AJ Meerwald, NJ's Tall Ship, invites children 10-16 years old to be a sailor for a day. 9am-4pm. \$60. Contact 800-485-3072, x100 for details. **BDP.**

Saturday, August 28

Moonlite Walk (Sturgeon Moon)

1-2 or 3-5 mile walk around the village and bogs, \$5 per person or \$10 per family. 7pm. **Whitesbog.**

September 3 - September 4

Battle of Cedar Bridge: Last Battle of the American War of Independence

Events include: events include Civil War battle and encampment, historic 1758 church, 1838 museum & general store, 1872 railroad station, children's rides, food court, juried craft fair, day long concerts, and contemporary night concert. Lake Manahawkin. Call (609) 597-5947 or e-mail philhart@shorenetworks.com or see http://www.telecottage.com/staffordhist/cedar-bridge.html for more information.

Monday, September 6

Birding Sail

Aboard the AJ Meerwald, NJ's Tall Ship. \$30. 8am-12pm. Bivalve. Contact 800-485-3072, x100 for details. **BDP.**

Sunday, September 12

21st Annual Ocean County Bluegrass Festival

12-5pm. Call 609.971.1593 for information. **AMH.**

Thursday, September 16

Land Protection Talk and Whitesbog Walk

Ever wonder how The Nature Conservancy selects and acquires the

land it protects in its nature preserves? Find out in a presentation at Sunningive by John Keenan, the Pine Barrens Program's director of protection; followed by a leisurely stroll through historic Whitesbog Village. Comfortable walking shoes recommended. 6-7:30pm. **TNC.**

Saturday, September 25

Moonlite Walk (Harvest Moon)

1-2 or 3-5 mile walk around the village and bogs, \$5 per person or \$10 per family. 7pm. **Whitesbog.**

Saturday, October 2 & Sunday, October 3

Festival of Fine Craft at Wheaton Village

10am -5pm. Contact 856.825.6800 x 2739 or janet@wheatonvillage.org for more information. **Wheaton Village.**

Saturday, October 9

Wells Mills Jamboree

10am-5pm. **AMH.**

Ongoing...

Eco Tours of a Barrier Island (Wednesdays through August 18)

Come along for a bus ride that will give you the opportunity to explore Long Beach Island from the dunes to the wetlands. The trip departs from the John J. Guld Ball Field on West 5th Street in Ship Bottom at 9am and returns at Noon. \$10 per adult; \$5 for children age 7-under. Call 609-492-0222 for tickets. **ALO.**

Twilight at the Bay (Thursdays through August 19)

Come to the Beach Haven Bay Beach from 7pm to 8pm as Alliance for a Living Ocean presents Twilight at the Bay, a one-hour long program of music, games, a touch tank, and entertainment at the shore of Little Egg Harbor Bay in Beach Haven. Call 609-492-0222 for details. **ALO.**

Spooky Spiders!

Woodford Education Center will reopen on Sept. 11 after a Labor Day hiatus. The theme of Wonderful Wildlife Weekends for September is Spooky Spiders. (Mon-Sat, 10 am-4 pm, Sun 1-4 pm; admission \$5 adult, \$3 child, two-under free. **Woodford.**

If your organization is having an activity you would like to see listed contact *Inside the Pinelands*, 17 Pemberton Road, Southampton, NJ 08088; ph: 609-859-8860; e-mail mikeh@pinelandsalliance.org. Next deadline: September 5, 2004.

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