M3: MONARCH CONSERVATION + ARTFUL GARDEN, NATURALIST
Saturday, October 12: Earn the National Butterfly Center’s MONARCH CONSERVATION fun patch during the peak of migration season, in addition to the ARTFUL GARDEN & NATURALIST array of badges! We’re honored to equip the next generation of conservationists by teaching them how Monarchs Need Milkweed & Me at this very special event for Daisies – Ambassadors.

Come learn what you can do to help the state insect of Texas recover from a historic decline in numbers, plus Daisies earn Outdoor Art Maker; Brownies earn Bugs, Outdoor Art Creator and Painting; Juniors earn Digital Photographer, Gardener and Outdoor Art Explorer; Cadettes earn Outdoor Art Apprentice and Trees; Seniors earn Adventurer (Sky Art) and Outdoor Art Expert; Ambassadors earn Outdoor Art Master.

$25 pp includes your badge, supplies, instructional programs from 9AM - 12PM, plus all-day park admission. There is no charge for 2 leaders/troop; parents and siblings pay applicable park admission, only. All participants are invited to pack a lunch and picnic under the palapa. Space is limited. Please register online, at least two weeks before the event.

SPIKE’S BIRTHDAY + ANIMAL WATCH, CREATIVE PLAY
Saturday, December 14: Come celebrate SPIKE’S 17th BIRTHDAY and receive our new TORTOISE CONSERVATION fun patch! Our African-Spurred Tortoise, is a giant version of his cousin the Texas Tortoise; friendly and fun, he's also a huge part of our environmental education programs. In addition, Daisies earn Between Earth and Sky; Brownies earn Pets and Making Games; Juniors earn Animal Habitats and Playing the Past; Cadettes earn Animal Helper and Field Day; Seniors earn Voice for Animals and Gaming Visionary; Ambassadors earn Eco Advocate.

This festive event includes a special fruitcake, singing, arts & crafts, “Beauty and the Beast” photos with Spike, and what may be the world’s slowest parade. Please bring an apple, long leaf lettuce, or strawberries for our scaled herbivore.

$25 pp includes your badge, supplies, instructional programs and party with Spike and the staff of the National Butterfly Center from 9 AM – 12 PM, plus all-day park admission. There is no charge for 2 leaders/troop; parents and siblings pay applicable park admission, only. All participants are invited to pack a lunch and picnic under the palapa. Space is limited. Please register online, at least two weeks before the event.

SURVIVOR: SOUTH TEXAS
Saturday, February 29: Earn your FIRST AID badge and a whole lot of knowledge for a confident life outside at this always-popular, hands-on, skill-building workshop. From splints and stings, to snakes and sunstroke, there is plenty for girls (and grownups) to learn about outdoor safety and how to handle the hazards you may encounter during a lifetime of adventure.

$16 pp includes your badge, supplies and instructional programs from 9AM - 12PM, plus all-day park admission. There is no charge for 2 leaders/troop; parents and siblings pay applicable park admission, only. All are invited to pack a lunch and picnic under the palapa. Space is limited. Please register online, at least two weeks before the event.

SLEEPOVER, UNDER THE STARS
Saturday, April 25: Earn your great OUTDOORS (Camper) badges at the National Butterfly Center, where Brownies - Ambassadors are invited to participate in our OVERNIGHT event. Camp is anchored by our Metamorphosis Teepee, where you may hold your own midnight council meeting, over hot chocolate and s’mores. Daisies earn Buddy Camper and Eco Learner; Brownies earn Hiker, Eco Friendly and Outdoor Adventure; Juniors earn Camper and/or Eco Camper, Cadettes earn Trailblazing, Night Owl, Eco Trekker and Primitive Camper, and Seniors earn Adventure Camper and Eco Explorer, in this special opportunity to gain skills and spend the night under the south Texas stars.

$33 pp includes badge(s), programs from 6:30PM - 7:30AM. Food and camping supplies not included; however, we do have a limited number of tents available for use on a first come, first serve basis. Tents must be reserved with registration, by calling the Chrysalis Pavilion. Space is extremely limited, and this event will sell out, quickly. Please register online, at least two weeks before the event.

Special events, with a guarantee of 20 Girl Scouts, may be scheduled at your convenience.

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