



# 4-H VOLUNTEER INFORMATION SERIES

Nebraska 4-H Youth Development

## Nature Kits for Camp Activities

### 1. The Fallen Log

(*Project Learning Tree*, page 105)

#### Materials Needed:

- Field guides (1 for each kit); used ones available on Amazon.com
  - *Golden Guide, Non-Flowering Plants*
  - *Golden Guide, Insects –A Guide to Familiar American Insects*
  - *Golden Guide, A Guide to Spiders & Their Kin*
- Clear containers (found on Acorn Naturalists web site, <http://www.acornnaturalists.com/>)
  - Clear Lucite magnifying bug boxes –Large, Item #T-93, cost: \$1.69 each
  - 4x2 way magnifier viewer, Item #T-1245, cost: \$8.95 each
  - Dual purpose observation container, Item #T-6518, cost: \$2.95 each
- Magnifying glasses (bought at Walmart)
- Copy sheets
- Clip boards
- Plastic tub/container (Walmart/Target)

### 2. Peppermint Beetle

(*Project Learning Tree*, page 23)

#### Materials Needed:

- Extracts
  - Vanilla
- Cotton balls
- Yarn
- Flagging (streamers –get at Target)
- 4-5 small opaque containers for spices
- Spices
  - Pepper
  - Cinnamon
  - Altoids
  - Garlic
  - Chili power
  - Onion
  - Dirt
  - Pine Needles
  - Sage
- Plastic tub/container

### **3. Tree Factory**

(*Project Learning Tree*, page 269)

#### **Materials Needed:**

- Labels (buy a laminated paper)
- Laminated tree parts

### **4. Birds & Worms**

(*Project Learning Tree*, page 111)

#### **Materials Needed:**

- Pasta noodles (purchase tan, green, orange)
- 1 clipboard
- Plastic tub
- Handouts
- Ziploc bags with 20 of each color – several sets ready to go
- Markers

### **5. Camp Safari**

(Adapted from *Project Learning Tree*; School Yard Safari)

#### **Materials Needed:**

- Copies of original sheets – in yellow envelope