



PENINSULA STATE PARK NATURE PROGRAMS

Nature Center open daily 10 AM – 2 PM and 10 AM – 4 PM Saturday. CLOSED Thursdays. Schedule subject to change. To confirm call 920-868-3258. Programs free but park sticker required. Ask about our new kid-friendly geocaches!

Sunday June 12 **Hidden Bluff Trail** 9 – 9:45 AM. Nature Center. Flower and fern identification along a ½ mile section of Hidden Bluff Trail. Learn about **Peninsula's** geologic history, too.

Monday June 13 **100 Years for Camp Meenahga!** 7 – 8 PM Nature Center. Did you know a girl's camp operated in Peninsula from 1916 to 1948? Meet founder Mrs. Clark (a.k.a. the park naturalist in costume), see historic images, and learn where you can see evidence of Meenahga today. This heritage talk is best suited for adults and youth age ten and older. The program will take place outside. Rain? We'll be inside the Nature Center.



Tuesday June 14 **Reptile and Amphibian Hunt** Drop by the Nature Center any time between 10:30 AM and 1:00 PM to meet Peninsula critters! Feeling adventurous? Catch and release frogs, toads, salamanders and perhaps snakes in the nearby woods, with "how to" tips from the naturalist. Prizes for those who bring a critter to the Nature Center.

Wednesday June 15 **Scavenger Hunt** Drop by the Nature Center anytime between 10 AM and 1 PM for an on-your-own scavenger hunt. Prizes! Takes about twenty minutes.

Thursday June 16 **Eagle Trail Hike** 10 AM to 12 Noon. Meet at Eagle Tower. Hike Peninsula's most spectacular trail. See 150-foot bluffs, wildflowers, and discover Peninsula history. Bring a water bottle for a rest stop along the way. Two miles. Difficult hiking with slippery spots. **Night Howls and Prowls** 8 – 9 PM. Meet at Nature Center. Join the naturalist for a fun night program to learn about Wisconsin's nocturnal hunters. We'll try having them call to us, too. All ages welcome. Flashlights recommended for the walk back to your car or campsite.

Friday June 17 **Tweet-tastic Art** 10 – 11 AM. Nature Center. Designed for the young and young at heart, at this program you'll learn how to use binoculars, identify of at least three Peninsula birds, and create a decorative bird knick-knack to keep. Donations for art supplies appreciated. **Kayak Tour** 10 AM to 12 Noon. Must register at Nature Center in advance. Arrive at Nicolet Beach Rentals by 9:45. Naturalist-led tour featuring Peninsula history and ecology. Two-mile paddle along Peninsula's beautiful shore. Beginners welcome. A lifeguard is not on duty. Youth age seventeen and younger must be in a kayak with an adult. \$18 plus tax payable at Nicolet Beach. Tour may be cancelled due to weather.



Saturday June 18 **Blossoms and Boughs** 8:00 – 8:45 AM. Meet at Park Headquarters. Park at Fish Creek Lot, just past Headquarters. See Solomon Seal, Sarsaparilla and perhaps a lady's-slipper orchid. Identify poison ivy, too. Bring binoculars if you have them. ¼ mile, easy walking. **Leif the Lumberjack** 11-11:45 AM. Nature Center. Meet Leif the Lumberjack, a zany woodsman extraordinaire! Discover a bit of Wisconsin and Peninsula forest history. Identify trees, too. Free tree ID booklets (one per family). **Peninsula Map Art for Kids!** Drop by the Nature Center any time during open hours to decorate poster-sized maps of your favorite park, Peninsula! On-your-own art activity takes about twenty minutes.

ECO CHARMS FOR KIDS! Pull garlic mustard, pick up 50 pieces of litter, or help at the Nature Center to earn neato-mosquito charms. Ask how at the Nature Center!

LIKE TO HIKE? Get a hiking log at the Nature Center, Park Headquarters, or from a camp host. Record adventures. Pins are \$3 with completed log or \$6 without log. Friends of Peninsula merchandise. All proceeds support Nature Center. Collectible – 15th in a series.

