

# Programs & Activities

## at Wild River State Park



May 2010

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39797 Park Trail, Center City, MN

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**Sunday, May 9 11 a.m.** at the Visitor Center. **Mother's Day Wildflower Walk.**

Spring is here and the wildflowers are out! Join the Naturalist on this 30-minute walk around the Visitor Center to see what's blooming this week. Discover some fascinating facts and how to identify the forest around you!

**Saturday, May 15 1 p.m.** at the Picnic Shelter\*. **Geocaching 101**

Don't miss this chance to find the swag on this modern day treasure hunt! Using a GPS (Global Positioning System) unit you'll learn hands-on about Geocaching. 10 GPS units are available for your use during this program.



**Sunday, May 16 11 a.m.** at the Visitor Center. **Just Take a Hike!**

There's no limit to what you'll learn on this 1-mile walk through the woods, around the wetlands, and along the river shore of the Amik's Pond Trail. From birds and bugs to mussels and more, we'll talk about whatever crosses our path.

**Sunday, May 16 1 p.m.** at the Picnic Shelter\*. **Junior Naturalists: Toadally Frogs!**

Kids! They're slimy, jumpy, noisy, and bumpy! Join us to discover some cool things about Minnesota frogs and take the toad-trilling challenge! Stick around to make your very own frog craft.



**Saturday, May 22 7:30 a.m. – 8 p.m.** ongoing throughout the park. **Seegwan – A Celebration of Spring!**

A full day has been planned in celebration of Spring!

**7:30–8:30 a.m. Early Bird Birding Hike** with the Wild River Audubon chapter. Meet at the boat landing.

**10 a.m.–3 p.m. Native Plant Sale** sponsored by the Chisago County Master Gardeners at the Trail Center.

**2 - 3 p.m. Seed Sowing** to help restore the park's prairies! Ask at the Trail Center for details.

**7 – 8 p.m. Charlie McGuire FREE Musical Performance** at the Amphitheater!



**Sunday, May 23 11 a.m.** at the Visitor Center. **Slithery Snakes!**

Are snakes slithery, sneaky, and slimy? Or, are they cool, quiet, and cautious? Learn about the snakes found in this park, and get an up-close look (and feel if you dare) at our resident garter and bull snake!

**Friday, May 28 7:30 p.m.** at the Amphitheater\*. **Weekend Welcome & Campfire**

Welcome to Wild River State Park! Whether you're new to the area or have been coming for years, make this your first stop this weekend. Learn the tips and tricks on where to explore, get a rundown of area activities, and the most up-to-date news from the Park Naturalist all while playing a fun game of jeopardy and enjoying s'mores around the campfire.



**Saturday, May 29 11 a.m.** at the Picnic Shelter\*. **Geocaching 101**

Don't miss this chance to find the swag on this modern day treasure hunt! Using a GPS (Global Positioning System) unit you'll learn hands-on about Geocaching. 10 GPS units are available for your use during this program.

**Saturday, May 29 1 p.m.** at the Visitor Center. **Junior Naturalists! Busy Beavers**

Kids! See what you know about beavers when you take the Beaver Quiz! You might be surprised to learn some fun facts about these large rodents as we discuss their unique features, build a beaver, and make a beaver craft!



**Saturday, May 29 7:30 p.m.** at the Amphitheater\*. **Live Frogs! And other Amphibian Encounters.**

You can't get much more hands-on with frogs than you will with Randy Korb. Learn about Minnesota amphibians (frogs, toads, and salamanders) in these face-to-face encounters.

**Sunday, May 30 11 a.m.** at the Visitor Center. **Amik's Pond Hike**

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**Monday, May 31 11 a.m.** at the Visitor Center. **Birding for Beginners**

Who's that you hear calling in the trees? It's spring and the birds are back. Join the Naturalist as you learn fun facts and quick ID of these fancy flyers. Kids- come early to make your own birding binoculars to take on this short walk.



**Monday, May 31 1 p.m.** at the Picnic Shelter\*. **Junior Naturalists! T is for Turtles**

Splish, splash, and basking in the sun... kids are invited to come talk Minnesota turtles! Discover these prehistoric reptiles that roamed with the dinosaurs and stick around to create your own crafty critter.

Visitor Center hours vary in early May!

Memorial Weekend (Thursday–Monday): 9:00 a.m.– 5:00 p.m.

Call (651) 583-2925 for details.

\* In case of bad weather, outdoor nature programs will be held inside the Visitor Center. Call (651) 583-2925 for program information. Call the Park Office at (651) 583-2125 for camping and other information.