

# Spring Highlights

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## RECURRING EVENTS

### FULL MOON HIKE

Thursday, April 6 // 7:15 p.m. *Pink Moon*

Friday, May 5 // 7:30 p.m. *Flower Moon*

Saturday, June 3 // 7:45 p.m. *Strawberry Moon*

Join us on our trails for monthly full moon hikes! We'll leave the Nature Center promptly 45 minutes before in hopes of catching a view of the moonrise. Please wear sturdy hiking shoes, layered clothing for warmth, and bring your own headlamp and/or flashlight. Following the hike we'll host a bonfire, cocoa, and snacks! Program subject to weather. Please call (315) 482-2479 to preregister.

## APRIL

### MUD SEASON HIKE

Saturday, April 1 // 1:00 p.m.—2:00 p.m.

In the North Country we have all four seasons plus one more, mud season. Help us celebrate mud season by joining us on a fun hike in the mud. Dress for the weather and make sure you bring mud boots for a mud-stomping adventure.

### ROCKS, FOSSILS, GLACIERS, OH MY!

Saturday, April 8 // 10:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.

Join high school naturalist Cecelia Thompson on a hands-on kids' talk on local rocks and fossils. After a short talk, Cecelia will lead a 2.5 mile hike along scenic Eel Bay trail to visit the glacial potholes. Dress for the weather and be prepared for hiking on dirt and rocky trails. Participants have the option to hike or just join in on the fun rock talk.

### OSPREY WATCHING

Saturday, April 15 // 10:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.

Ospreys migrate up to the North Country to return to their nests. Join us on a guided hike along our shoreline to see if we can spot these beautiful birds.



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## **EARTH DAY CELEBRATION featuring “LOVE THY NATURE”**

**Saturday, April 22**

**10:00 a.m.—Noon:** Shoreline cleanup with Save the River

**1:00 p.m.—2:30 p.m.** Film screening of “Love Thy Nature”

**2:30 p.m.—3:00 p.m.** Forest Meditation Hike

Join us for a day of focused attention on Mother Earth. Our program will include activities throughout the day as well as some crafts and opportunities to gain informational insight on a number of conservation strategies. The monumental film “Love Thy Nature” will be shown at 1:00 p.m. in our classroom (complete with popcorn!). We’ll have complimentary food and beverages for all participants.

## **ARBOR DAY at TILT’s Sissy Danforth Rivergate Trail**

**Saturday, April 29 // 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.**

Celebrate Arbor Day and the Thousand Islands Land Trust’s (TILT) 11th Annual “For the Trees” Celebration by planting trees at the S. Gerald Ingerson Preserve along the Sissy Danforth Rivergate Trail. Bring the whole family to get their hands dirty! There will be numerous family-friendly activities, workshops, games, and exhibits from TILT and many different organizations, including the Nature Center! For more information, please visit [tilandtrust.org](http://tilandtrust.org) or call (315) 686-5345.

# **MAY**

## **I LOVE MY PARK DAY**

**Saturday, May 6 // 9:00 a.m.—Noon**

Show your Nature Center some love! Volunteer to spruce up the Nature Center for spring and another busy summer season. This is the day when we get out our mop buckets, sponges, garden trowels, rakes, and clippers, and work to beautify our Nature Center. Preregistration is required. To preregister visit [ptny.org/ilovemypark](http://ptny.org/ilovemypark) or call the Nature Center at (315) 482-2479.

## **MOTHER’S DAY WEEKEND HIKE**

**Saturday, May 13 // 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.**

We’re inviting all moms and their families (and everyone else who would like to attend) to join us for a lovely hike in nature complete with a picnic lunch (provided). Moms will go home with a gift from the Nature Center to top off her special day! Please call to preregister.

## **LITTLE HANDS WILD!**

**Saturday, May 20 // 10:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.**

Do you like making sandcastles? How about mud castles instead? Join us in some mud fun at our potting shed. Bring clothes and shoes that can get dirty. This will be a time to play, build, and explore in the mud. Feel free to bring some sand toys (mud toys) to play with.

# **JUNE**

## **FREE FISHING DAY**

**Saturday, June 24 // 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.**

Join us on the Nature Center’s dock on Eel Bay to celebrate Free Fishing Weekend! No fishing license required to attend this class. Learn the basics of freshwater fishing. Equipment will be provided; bringing your own bait appreciated.



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