Tippecanoe River State Park

Nature Center Hours
Tuesday 5:00PM – 7:00PM  * Saturday 10AM – 5:00PM  * Sunday 9:00PM – 4:00PM

Interpretive Programs -

6:00PM  Roving Naturalist. Look for the naturalist roaming the campgrounds with a few of her favorite things. Find out how to earn your Discover Pin for Tippecanoe State Park this Weekend!  Location: Campgrounds.

8:00PM Bug Bingo. Learn about several of the common insects found in our park. Then, explore the family campground to see if you can find enough bugs to get four in a row! Return to the Camp host site with you card bingo for a prize.  Location: Campground Host at Family Camp.

Saturday May 16th - Kids to the Parks Day!!
10:00AM – 1:00PM  Learn about nesting birds and build your own bird house!!  Build your own bird house with a kit we will provide (decorations supplied). Only $5 for the kit – cash only.  Location: Nature Center.

2:00 PM – Tracks! Our Wildlife Heritage. Indiana contains natural plant communities are home to fifty-five mammal species. We will talk about some species in our park and tracks they leave. Make a print in plaster to take home!  Location: Nature Center.

5:00PM Smokey the Bear visits the campgrounds! Smokey the Bear is visiting the campgrounds with the naturalist. Smokey has something to share. Bring your camera or phone is you would like a picture with Smokey.  Location: Campgrounds.

Sunday May 17th
9:00AM  Meet at the Naturalist at the Overlook (behind the nature center). Learn about some of the wildflowers in the park and take off on your own wildflower hike with your brochure. Suggested hike on Trail #4 near the nature center. Coffee and Doughnuts at the overlook. Children must be with an adult.  Location: Overlook behind the Nature Center.

10:00AM –2:00PM  Trees and slices!!  Come to the nature center learn the important role trees play in our lives. Optional workshop time follow. Supplies will be provided. Adult supervision is required for kids under sixteen.  Location: Nature Center.
**Tuesday May 19**

5:00PM – 7:00PM  ($)$Make Your Own Walking Stick. Learn what makes a good walking stick and why it is good to have one. Design your own walking stick to take home. Cost is $5 per walking stick (cash only). **Location: Nature Center.**

**Volunteer opportunities at the Nature Center.** Come pick your project! Painting, organizing, caring for our wildflower bed, fixing fishing poles, set up displays, and more. Find out how to earn your Discover Pin for Tippecanoe State Park with your volunteer time. **Location: Nature Center.**

**Friends of the Tippecanoe River Park** is a not for profit volunteer organization that supports Tippecanoe River State Park in Winamac, Indiana with conservation activities, education, recreation and historic preservation and promotes the activities of the Park. Meetings are second Tuesday of the month at the Nature Center at 6:30pm. For more information, see the facebook page: May 14th is the next meeting. [www.facebook.com/friendsoftippecanoeriverstatepark](http://www.facebook.com/friendsoftippecanoeriverstatepark) or email friendsofTRSP@gmail.com

**Coming soon…**

May 22, June 20, July 4, Aug 8, and September 5 in 2015!! **See the Beauty of the Sky! Star Gazing** Steve and Debbie Russell travel from Indy to sharing some dramatic sights in the sky with their equipment. Dig out your telescope and bring with if you chose. Bring a blanket or chair, bug spray, and enjoy with evening.

**May 23 Saturday - Basics of Birding for Beginners** with Barb Lucas. Want to learn how to watch and observe our feathered friend? Come learn some tips on getting started! Binoculars are helpful but not required.

**May 23 and 24 – Build a bird feeder that will last!** Judy and Mike Lucky from the Friends of the Tippecanoe State Park Group will be here to offer bird feeder kits you can put together as you learn some of our Indiana birds. The program will include making a tasty bird mix. **(suggested donation $5).**

**June 6 and 7 - Free Fishing Weekend** (poles and worms available).

**June 14 and 28 Sundays - History River Tour.** (Bring your kayak or rent one. Special group price when you sign up Friday evening.) Tour Times 10am and 1pm. Must be signed up prior to Sunday.

**June 23 Tuesday evening - Dutch oven Cooking** with Holly and Dennis Krafftor. Come enjoy and evening at the nature Center area and learn some campfire cooking skills. **(sampling included!)**

**July 11 Saturday – Paint the River**
**July 18 Saturday – Christmas in July**
**July 18 and September 12 Saturdays- Live Owls!!** Experience and enjoy with wildlife rehab educator Kim Hoover.

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