

Clifty Falls State Park April 2024

Wednesday, April 3

10am A Look Back in Time - It has been 50 years since a devastating tornado hit Clifty Falls State Park. Come to the **Nature Center** to discover how Clifty Falls became a State Park and see how it has changed throughout the years during this 45-minute program.

Saturday, April 6

10-11am Solar Bead Bracelets - Make a bracelet using beads that will change color when exposed to sunlight. This activity will take place in the **Nature Center** and supplies will be given out on a first come, first serve basis.

11:30am Eclipse Story-time - Come to the Nature
Center and listen in as our volunteer reads a story about eclipses. This activity will last about 30-minutes.
2pm Make a Sun Print - Come to the Nature Center and make your own design on our special paper, and then let the sun do the work for you. During this hour-long program, we'll also be sharing tips and tricks on how to safely view the solar eclipse. Supplies will be given out on a first come, first serve basis.

Sunday, April 7

10am Sundial Necklace - Make your own sundial necklace during this hour-long activity at the **Nature Center**. Supplies will be given out on a first come, first serve basis.

2pm Pinhole Projectors - Design your own pinhole projector on cardboard to safely view the solar eclipse tomorrow. During this hour-long program at the **Nature Center**, we'll be sharing more information about the eclipse and other safe ways to view it. Supplies will be given out on a first come, first serve basis.

Monday, April 8

1:30pm-4:30pm Solar Eclipse Viewing - Bring your eclipse glasses and enjoy this opportunity to see an ALMOST total solar eclipse at Clifty Shelter.

Saturday, April 13

10am Bluebird Walk - Join the naturalist at **Clifty Shelter** to check our bluebird boxes for nests, eggs, and babies on this 45-minute easy walk.

1pm Women's Hiking Group Meet-Up - Ladies! Join us for our monthly group hike where you can get outdoors and meet like-minded women. This 1-hour hike is rugged. Meet at **Poplar Grove Shelter.**

Sunday, April 14

2-3pm Garlic Mustard Pull - Volunteer with us by removing the pesky invasive plant, garlic mustard, from our park. Discover how to identify this invasive species and how it's hurting our ecosystem, and then we'll pull as many plants as we can and pick up any trash that we see. Please bring your own work gloves! Meet at the Nature Center.



Saturday, April 20 Wildflower Weekend!

10am Wild About Wildflowers - Stop by the **Nature Center** for a short presentation on common wildflowers found at Clifty Falls. Then we'll venture out on a short easy walk to look for some during this 45-minute program.

11:30am Beaded Flower Craft - Kids can design their very own flower using beads and fuzzy sticks during this 30-minute activity at the **Nature Center**.

2pm Wildflower Wander - Meet at **Clifty Shelter** to venture out on a search for spring flowers on this 2-hour moderate hike along Trail 8.

Sunday, April 21 Wildflower Weekend!

10am Waterfalls and Wildflowers Hike - Meet at Clifty Shelter for a 1 hour moderately rugged hike through one of the most scenic sections of Clifty Canyon. Discover the variety of beautiful spring wildflowers that are blooming and have a chance to see 5 waterfalls along the way. 10am-3pm Wildflower Scavenger Hunt - Stop by the Nature Center to pick up your list and then head out onto the trails to see if you can get a picture of everything. Return to the Nature Center and show us your photos to win a prize!

2pm Wildflower Hike - Meet at **Poplar Grove Shelter** for a 1 ½ hour rugged hike to search for spring wildflowers of all colors.

Saturday, April 27

2pm Cotton Tails and Bunny Trails - Discover fun facts about the eastern cottontail rabbit, and then make a cute craft to take home with you during this 45-minute program at **Poplar Grove Shelter**.

<u>Sunday, April 28</u>

10am Bluebird Walk - Join the naturalist at **Clifty Shelter** to check our bluebird boxes for nests, eggs, and babies on this 45-minute easy walk.

2pm Bird Sign Painting - Paint your own adorable bird sign using a stenciled drawing on old barn wood during this hour-long workshop. You must register for this event as supplies are limited. Please call 812-273-0609 to register. Cost is \$10 cash or check. Workshop will take place at **Poplar Grove Shelter**.

Nature Center Hours Open Daily 10 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. The Nature Center will be CLOSED April 9 & 10

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