# INTERPRETIVE Programs

## Clifty Falls State Park June 2023

### Saturday, June 3 National Trails Day!

10am Trail Clean-Up - In honor of National Trails Day, meet Friends Group members at the Nature Center for a 1 1/2-hour rugged hike to pick up trash along Trails 1 & 3. Trash bags and gloves provided.
2pm Tunnel Tour - Join the naturalist on a guided hike through Brough's tunnel. Discover its unique history and the wildlife that lives there. Meet at Oak Grove Shelter for this rugged 45-minute hike. Bring a flashlight and be prepared to get your feet wet!

### Sunday, June 4

10am Waterfall Hike - Meet at Clifty Shelter for a 1 hour moderately rugged hike through one of the most scenic sections of Clifty Canyon. There's a chance to see 5 waterfalls along the way!
2pm Vulture Venture - Come to the Nature Center for a short easy hike to discover the differences in black vultures and turkey vultures. Learn about their unique habits during this 30-minute program. Bring your binoculars!

### Thursday, June 8

**5-6pm Live Reptiles and Amphibians** - Join us in the **Clifty Room** at the Clifty Inn to meet some live reptiles and amphibians native to our park, and even have the chance to touch a snake! Our Friends Group meeting will begin right after this program, so please feel free to stay for the meeting and find out what kind of projects the group is working on.

**6-7pm Friends Group Meeting** - Join our parks Friends Group! Meet us in the **Clifty Room** at the Clifty Inn to find out how you can become more involved in volunteering to better our park for current and future generations. Meet new people, while having the opportunity to learn and grow!

### EVERY TUESDAY

### **CREATURE FEATURES AT THE POOL**

Every Tuesday in June At 2pm take a break from the pool with the naturalist to see an animal native to Clifty Falls. Meet out on the pool lawn.

### Saturday, June 10

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 moderate. Meet at the Nature Center. **1pm From Fiber to Yarn** - The Friends of Clifty Falls State Park present from Fiber to Yarn with instructor Ann Merriman in the Hoffman Room at the Clifty Inn. Tickets are \$30 each which includes an ounce of yarn and a drop spindle to keep. Make checks payable to Friends of Clifty Falls State Park and mail to Friends of Clifty Falls State Park Attn: Kayla Wilson 1501 Green Rd. Madison, IN 47250. You may also pay cash at the door the day of the event.

**7-8pm Roving Naturalist** - The naturalist will be roving through the **Campground** with an interesting item. Can you guess what it is?

**9pm Nature's Lanterns** - Discover the amazing lightning bug: talk to some, catch some, & explore their habitats during this 30-minute program at **Clifty Shelter**.

### Sunday, June 11

10am Waterfall Hike - Meet at Clifty Shelter for a 1 hour moderately rugged hike through one of the most scenic sections of Clifty Canyon. There's a chance to see 5 waterfalls along the way!
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**6pm Nature Photography Workshop** - It's Nature Photography Day! Join guest Kevin Turner in the **Hoffman Room** at the **Clifty Inn** for this 2-hour workshop to learn basic nature photography skills. Bring your own camera, or we'll have a few to borrow. The first hour we will be inside learning tips and techniques, and the second hour we will be going outside on an easy nature walk to practice our photography skills. Registration is required for this event as space is limited. Please call 812-273-0609 to register.

### Saturday, June 17

**11am Tree ID Hike** - Join forester Don Carlson and discover the basics of tree identification during this hour-long moderate walk starting at the **Nature Center**.

**2pm Amazing Ants** - Tomorrow is International Picnic Day! What usually joins you for a picnic? Ants! Come and discover the lives of these fascinating insects during this 30-minute program at the **Nature Center**.

**7-8pm Roving Naturalist** - The naturalist will be roving through the **Campground** with an interesting item. Can you guess what it is?

**9pm Going Batty** - Explore the lives of bats during this 30-minute program at the **Nature Center.** Find out what kinds of bats you might see here in the park and discover ways that you can help them.

### Sunday, June 18

**10am A Hummingbird's Life** - It's National Pollinator Week. Discover all kinds of interesting facts about one of our most popular pollinators, the Hummingbird during this 30-minute program at the **Nature Center**.

**2pm Pollinator Stories and Crafts** - In honor of National Pollinator Week, come to the **Nature Center** to hear some fun stories about our native pollinators and make some fun crafts to take home with you during this hour-long program.



#### Friday, June 23

**7-8pm Roving Naturalist** - The naturalist will be roving through the **Campground** with an interesting item. Can you guess what it is?

**9pm Owl Prowl** - Meet at the **Pool** to discover our owls of the night and their various calls. We'll even try to call some in using our own voices on this moderate 45-minute hike.

### Saturday, June 24 Vintage Camper Rally

**10am Trilling Treefrogs** - Meet our resident tree frog and explore how these amphibians have adapted to life in the tree canopy. This 30-minute program will take place at the **Nature Center**.

**1pm-4pm Vintage Camper Rally** - Come to the **Campground** and walk around to the area of campsites 42-88 to tour vintage campers, most from the 1950's-1970's.

#### Sunday, June 25

10am Waterfall Hike - Meet at Clifty Shelter for a 1 hour moderately rugged hike through one of the most scenic sections of Clifty Canyon. There's a chance to see 5 waterfalls along the way!
2pm Tunnel Tour - Join the naturalist on a guided hike through Brough's tunnel. Discover its unique history and the wildlife that lives there. Meet at Oak Grove Shelter for this rugged 45-minute hike. Bring a flashlight and be prepared to get your feet wet!

Nature Center Hours Open Daily: 10am-3:30pm

For Questions, Contact our Naturalists:

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