



2011 Summer Programs & Events

Butterfly Survey Saturday, July 7

Hike off the trails into the forest, prairies and oak savannah on this fun midsummer event. Using nets and field guides supplied by the Center, we will look in hidden corners to find as many species of butterflies as possible. Participants are welcome to bring a picnic lunch. There is no charge to participate, but pre-registration is required.

<u>Activity #</u>	<u>Time</u>
387206-1	10:00 a.m. - 12 noon
387206-2	1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Friday Night Movie Night June 9 - August 31

It's Friday Night - what are you planning on doing? Head on over to watch fascinating movies on the big screen. If you're hungry, we've got popcorn and juice for just \$1. There is a new movie theme each week - call for titles! Showtime is 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Urban Bird Festival

June 16 - 17
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Springbrook Nature Center is participating in the 2012 Twin Cities Urban Birding Festival with the following activities for the general public. There is no cost to participate. Saturday activities require pre-registration.

<u>Activity #</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Time</u>
387202-1	Sa	Jun 16	Early Bird Hike	7:00 a.m.
387202-2	Sa	Jun 16	Family Bird Hike	10:00 a.m.
387202-3	Sa	Jun 16	Avian Games & Crafts	1:00 p.m.

Sunday Activities will include:

Bird Banding
6:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Assist in capture, banding, and release of wild songbirds.

Bring your camera! There will be photography opportunities of birds being released from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Siah St. Clair, Springbrook Nature Center Director, will be on hand to share bird photography techniques.

All Weekend
Self guided
bird hikes on
Springbrook's cell
phone audio trail.

Dragonfly 101

Would you like to see, catch and/or photograph dragonflies? This program is for you! Dragonflies are a primary indicator of ecosystem health, so every year Springbrook has a census of its dragonflies. Dragonfly expert John Arthur will be here with a short introduction and then lead a hike to capture/identify/release as many dragonflies as possible. There will be opportunities for close up photography. All ages and skill levels welcome.

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387201-1	Sa	Jun 30	1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Monday Night Live!

June 4 - August 27
Each Monday evening there is something different to learn - it might be a puppet show, a campfire talk, a hike in the park, an animal show - or something completely different. Be brave - come and check it out! Cost is \$3 per person, children 2 and under are free. Program is held from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Summer Nature/Science Camps

All camps are held at Springbrook Nature Center located at 100 – 85th Avenue NE in Fridley! Participants who live in Fridley will have the opportunity to sign your child up for early drop-off (as early as 7:00 a.m.) for \$15 and/or late pick-up (until 5:00 p.m.) for \$15.

Camps for 4-5 year olds

(Camps meet Monday – Friday)

Resident Fee: \$73/camp Non-Resident Fee: \$83/camp

June 18 - 22

Eeek!

Hey, check it out! That crawly thing over there is an insect, and it's really pretty cool. Do you want to explore what makes an insect different from, well, just about everything else? Great! Join the bug patrol this summer and discover what is so cool about these critters!

Activity # **Time**
387403-1 9:00 – 12:00 p.m.

ROAR!

Who is that roaring? Is it a T-Rex? Put on your hat, and grab your shovel, it's time to uncover some fossils and find out! You'll have a blast learning about the past during this exciting week of dinosaur fun!

Activity # **Time**
387404-1 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

July 16 - 20

On the Prowl

I want to find a tasty morsel to sink my carnivorous teeth into. Or maybe I should search for some vegetation to munch on. Come find out what the animals are choosing from Nature's Buffet.

Activity # **Time**
387410-1 9:00 – 12:00 p.m.

Dwellers of the Dark

It's way past your bedtime, but did you know there are animals that are awake in the MIDDLE of the night? It's true, and you probably don't know much about them. But that's going to change this summer! It's time you early birds met the night owls, don't you think?

Activity # **Time**
387411-1 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

August 6 - 10

Splish Splash

It's slippery, it's wet, it's cool, and it's hot. Water is where it's at this summer. We'll learn about how the animals play in the water, and maybe we'll play some ourselves. This camp is all about SPLASHY FUN!

Activity # **Time**
387416-1 9:00 – 12:00 p.m.

Animal Antics

Come to camp this week and learn all about silly things animals do. We will explore the funny world of animals through games, jokes, nature crafts, and more. You bring the energy, and we will bring the fun. Don't miss out on a camp filled with silly animal antics!

Activity # **Time**
387417-1 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

**Make camp a full-day experience by combining morning & afternoon sessions.
Bring a bag lunch for your child, and we will do the rest – at no extra cost to you!**



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Camps for 6-8 year olds

(Camps meet Monday – Friday)

Resident Fee: \$73/camp Non-Resident Fee: \$83/camp

June 11 - 15

Wacky Science

Safety equipment: check. Kitchen pantry items: check. Energetic wacky scientists: check. It's time to play with our food, learn about science, and maybe...well, definitely get messy. Let's get experimenting!

<u>Activity #</u>	<u>Time</u>
387401-1	9:00 –12:00 p.m.

Down & Dirty

DIRT! It's everywhere! Our goal for each day is to have unimaginable amounts of fun – with DIRT! We'll explore dirt as camouflage, dirt as a place to live, and even how dirt is made. Some laundering will be required after camp.

<u>Activity #</u>	<u>Time</u>
387402-1	1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

July 9 - 13

Super Adventures

Do you want to help decide what we do in Superhero Camp each day? We have plenty of activities ready, but we're waiting to see what you and your friends want to do first! You get to choose your super hero persona and what each day's adventures are! Life doesn't get much better than that.

<u>Activity #</u>	<u>Time</u>
387408-1	9:00 –12:00 p.m.

Arty Party

We think that nature is FULL of art supplies, don't you? We'll be exploring the park, looking for nature's masterpieces. Let's be artists together this summer!

<u>Activity #</u>	<u>Time</u>
387409-1	1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

July 30 - August 3

Nature Beat

There are stories out there in the woods, there is a song in the water. We're going to find them, and many of the other stories and music that nature provides. Come get creative with music and stories outdoors!

<u>Activity #</u>	<u>Time</u>
387414-1	9:00 –12:00 p.m.

Eco Pirates

Ahoy Mateys! It's a pirate's life this week in camp. Come be a pirate of the wetland this summer. We'll learn to read maps, sail our own ships, and find out how a band of pirates spends their summer vacation. All hands on deck, or you'll walk the plank! Arrr!

<u>Activity #</u>	<u>Time</u>
387415-1	1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

To help working parents, we also offer early drop-off (as early as 7:30 a.m.) for \$15 and/or late pick-up (until 5:30 p.m.) for \$15. All-day extended hours are also available for only \$25.

Bird Banding Sunday Mornings

Help capture and release wild birds for this banding research project. Hold the birds in your hand as they are released. Spring dates are as follows — times are continuous until 12 noon:



June 17	6:30 a.m.
July 8	6:30 a.m.
July 29	6:30 a.m.
August 19	6:30 a.m.

Gramp Camp

Resident: \$20/person
Non-Resident: \$25/person
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.



This is a camp for grandparents (or parents/guardians/adults) of children 4 to 10 years old. Take this opportunity to enjoy some quality time with a special child in your life. See live animals, take hikes, make a keepsake craft, cook lunch over a fire and have fun together discovering nature. Each child must be accompanied by at least one adult. **Cost is per person.**

<u>Activity #</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Age</u>
387407-1	Tu	Jul 3	7-10
387407-2	Th	Jul 5	4-10
387407-3	F	Jul 6	4-6

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Camps for 9-12 year olds

(Camps meet Monday – Friday)

Resident Fee: \$73/camp Non-Resident Fee: \$83/camp

June 25 - 29

Forts, Fire and Fun

A week of primitive living awaits you. Come learn how to construct a shelter, start a fire without matches, and learn basic foraging and hunting skills.

<u>Activity #</u>	<u>Time</u>
387405-1	9:00 – 12:00 p.m.

Earth Force!

Charlie's Angels has nothing on this camp. Each afternoon, you'll be given your mission by our own disembodied voice, Brooke, and you will have to choose what tools you could use to complete each mission. Can you handle it? We need innovative, creative problem solvers. Let's get campy this summer!

<u>Activity #</u>	<u>Time</u>
387406-1	1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

July 23 - 27

Get Lost!

If you were brought out into the park, could you find your way back? This will be the goal by the end of this camp. We'll explore plenty of ways to navigate: map and compass, natural landmarks, directional cairns, and gps units. Come to camp this week, and walk away with some serious navigational skills!

<u>Activity #</u>	<u>Time</u>
387412-1	9:00 – 12:00 p.m.

Let's Swing

Hey there, monkey! It's time to play outside. Climb trees, play cooperative games, solve puzzles, and find treats. It may be a jungle out there, but we LOVE it that way!

<u>Activity #</u>	<u>Time</u>
387413-1	1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

August 13 - 17

Nature TV

Are you ready to star in your very own nature show? You'll be a part of developing the show's concept, you'll participate in filming, and you and your fellow campers will star in Nature TV. Take home your very own copy of this brand new show!

<u>Activity #</u>	<u>Time</u>
387418-1	9:00 – 12:00 p.m.

Water Warriors

Explore the ponds, creeks, and wetlands at Springbrook. Be prepared to get wet while looking for critters of all sizes. This camp is pretty soggy, remember your old clothes!

<u>Activity #</u>	<u>Time</u>
387419-1	1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Call 763-572-3588 for further information.

Birthday Parties at Springbrook!

Make this birthday a special day to remember by having your party at Springbrook Nature Center.

We provide a naturalist program and a room with tables, coverings, and chairs.

You may provide food and refreshments if you wish.



\$75 up to 10 kids
\$5 for each additional child -- Maximum 15



Call Springbrook Nature Center at 763-572-3588 to schedule your birthday party. Birthdays are offered Saturdays at 12 noon, Sundays at 1:00 p.m., and by appointment in the evenings.