



# EXPLORING NATURE PROGRAMS

## SLEEPER/PORT CRESCENT WEEK OF JULY 8 - 12

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 8

No scheduled programs today for Sleeper or Port Crescent.



Programs Resume Thursday thru Sunday (see next columns)

Programs are free to all ages. Children under 7 are asked to accompanied by an adult.

Recommended to wear appropriate shoes & insect repellent for Hike or Pond activities

### THURSDAY, JULY 9

**"Fight For Water"**  
11am-Pt. Crescent SP  
*Meet at Host Site*



Be prepared to get wet with activities & relays that demonstrate water as a finite resource that we need to conserve & protect



**Let's Hear It For the DNR!**  
5:00pm -Sleeper SP  
*Meet at Host Site*  
Activities to help us realize how valuable our natural resources are and how the DNR helps protect them for our use and enjoyment.

### FRIDAY, JULY 10

**Who Eats Whom?**  
Food Web & Energy Transfer



**"Web of Life"**  
4:30pm - Sleeper SP  
*Meet at Host Site*



**Star Gazing On the Beach**  
Pt. Crescent SP - 10pm  
*Meet at path to beach Between Sites 77 & 78*  
Learn to find the Northern Constellations & more. Telescope Provided. Bring a blanket & a flashlight.

### SATURDAY, JULY 11

**Wetland in a Pan**  
4pm - Pt. Crescent SP  
*Meet at Host Site*  
Activities to demonstrate the importance of natural pollution control. Opportunity to make your



**Reduce, Reuse Recycle**

7pm-Pt. Crescent SP  
*Meet at Host Site*  
Awareness activities to focus on the importance of recycling. — Crafts — with "reusable" items.

**Star Gazing On the Beach**  
Sleeper SP - 10:00pm  
*Meet at the beach.*  
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### SUNDAY, JULY 12



**Learn to Read Animal Signs**  
10:00am  
Pt. Crescent SP  
*Meet at Host Site*

How do wildlife biologists find out so many things about animals that live here? Let's take a walk in the woods to look for "evidence"

**Required for All Programs:**  
Children under the age of 7 MUST be accompanied by an adult - *thank you.*

**Recommended to wear good shoes & Insect Repellent for Hikes or Woods & Pond activities**

For more information, contact: **Jana Freeman, Sleeper State Park, (989) 856-4411**

**Motor Vehicle Permit required for entry to park**

**Great Lakes, Great Times, Great Outdoors**



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## SLEEPER/PORT CRESCENT WEEK OF JULY 15 – 19, 2009

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

#### Bird Talk!

3:00 pm - Sleeper SP  
Meet at Host Site



Learn the "calls" and "markings" of birds who live in our park in order to identify them.

**Fishing in the Parks at Port Crescent Day Use Dock**  
7:00pm



Free fishing equipment available.  
17 and older must have a valid Michigan fishing license.  
*Permit required for entrance.*

### THURSDAY, JULY 16

#### Who Eats Whom? Food Web & Energy Transfer



#### "Web of Life"

4:30pm - Pt. Crescent SP  
Meet at Host Site  
(Great Activity for kids)



**Amazing Bats**  
8pm - Sleeper SP  
Meet at Host Site

Nature's true *insect zapper* and *forest seed dispersal* mammal. Understand & appreciate bats. Dispel the myths about them. Activities for kids.

### FRIDAY, JULY 17

#### Reduce, Reuse Recycle

4:30pm - Sleeper SP  
Meet at Host Site

Awareness activities to focus on the importance of recycling.  
— Crafts —  
with "reusable" items.

#### Super Seeds

7:30pm - Pt. Crescent SP  
Meet at Host Site  
Seeds can resist all sorts of punishment & still store food & a young plant ready to germinate.  
*Make a seed neck chain & watch it grow!*

#### Night Hike



9:30pm - Sleeper SP  
Meet at "Ridges" Trailhead

Use hands-on sensory experiences to learn about adaptations of nocturnal animals; other activities that play tricks with your eyes.

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#### Let's Hear It For the DNR!

7:00pm - Pt. Crescent SP  
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#### Tools from Trees

8:00pm - Pt. Crescent SP

Learn how to lash a tripod. Use sticks to tell time, direction, height & width. Make & eat snacks at a campfire.

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