

## For the Dates of: June 17-21, 2017

- Saturday, June 17:
  - Flower in bloom around the park include:
    - Western spotted coral-root, Early coral-root, Spreading dogbane, Golden Alexander, Showy lady's slipper, Large yellow lady slipper, Blue flag iris, Canada anemone, Columbine, Indian paintbrush, Orange hawkweed, Yellow hawkweed, Black snakeroot, Black medic, Round-leaved dogwood, Bunchberry, Silvery cinquefoil, Fragrant white water lily, Twinflower, Clintonia, Northern bedstraw, Pineapple weed, Yellow goat's beard, Heal-all, Ox-eye daisy, Red clover, Yellow sweet clover, Daisy fleabane, Bullhead water lily, Wild rose.
  - Mourning cloak butterflies seen along Wilderness Drive.
- Monday, June 19:
  - Mink frogs calling in Mary Lake. Tree frogs calling and American toads crossing Wilderness Drive during the rain.
  - Fireflies seen signaling in the tall grasses just after the rain.
  - White-tailed deer doe along the shore of Lake Itasca eating.
  - Beaver slapping their tail as a warning on Lake Itasca.
  - Evening birds on Lake Itasca: pair of Trumpeter swans, 2 Wood ducks, Great blue heron, Common loons.
- Tuesday, June 20:
  - Bald eagle seen flying over the amphitheater.
  - White-tailed deer's fur is very reddish-orange now.
  - Tiger swallowtail butterflies are seen everywhere in the park.
  - Additional flowers in bloom around the park include:
    - Pink pyrola, Cow parsnip, Creeping Charlie, Blackberries, Campions.
- Wednesday, June 21:
  - Broad-winged hawk soaring over the Jacob V. Brower Visitor Center.
  - Sightings along Nicollet Trail:
    - Aphrodite fritillary, Black swallowtail, Canadian tiger swallowtail, White-throated sparrow, Bald eagle, Hermit thrush, Blue jay, Crow, Scarlet Tanager, Red-eyed vireo, Warbler species including— Yellow, Common yellow-throat, Nashville, Blackburnian, American redstart, Mourning, Magnolia, Chestnut-sided, Ovenbird, Canada, Golden-winged, and Pine
  - Sightings near Iron Springs Bog:
    - Black-backed woodpecker tending nest of young.
    - Newly hatched woodcock chicks seen leaving the nest after adult flies away.
    - Warblers: Chestnut-sided, Northern parula, Nashville, Common yellowthroat, Blackburnian, Ovenbird, Black-throated green.
  - Campground road 2 fawns seen along the road.
  - Pair of Trumpeter swans with 3 cygnets seen on Kasey Lake.
  - Additional flowers in bloom near the park include:
    - Canada dogwood, Yarrow, Blue-eyed grass, Hoary alyssum, Twinflower, Northern green bog orchid, Large yellow lady's slipper, Small yellow lady's slipper, Stemless lady's slipper, Heart-leaved twayblade, Blunt-leaved orchid, One-flowered wintergreen, Mouse-eared chickweed, Red baneberry, three-leaved false Solomon's seal, Bog cranberry, Tufted loosestrife, Wild lily-of-the-valley.