

ECO-EXPLORERS 2010 BRAZOS BEND STATE PARK

THURSDAYS; 9:30—11:30

AGES 7—12 (all ages welcome)

\$2.00 donation per child, each session or \$14 for all.

(Donation benefits the Brazos Bend State Park Volunteer Organization)

Pre-registration required. Limit 25 participants per session.

Program fee is in addition to normal park entrance fees: children ages 12 and under free; anyone age 13 and up, \$5 per person. Ask about the Texas State Parks annual pass.

Send fee, name of child (children), session(s), phone number and email address to:

**Brazos Bend State Park
ATTN: Eco-Explorers
21901 FM 762
Needville, TX 77461**

GET OUTSIDE and explore the natural wonders of the park. See nature in **ACTION!** games, crafts, songs, and snacks.

June 10— Exploring Biotic and Abiotic—bring a digital camera (not required) to record your scavenger hunt findings. Make a bird nest.

June 17— Wetland Waders—Watching wading birds at 40-Acre Lake. Bring binoculars if you have them. Spotting scope and some binoculars provided.

June 24— Anatomy of a Tree—From roots to crown learn how nutrients move up and down. Learn the parts of a tree. Do leaf rubbing. How old was that tree?

July 1— Colors in Our World— Explore the colors in our forests, lakes and wetlands.

July 8 – Insect Inspection – Learn what makes an insect an insect. Make your own imaginary bug and tell what it does. Presented by the Coastal Prairie Master Naturalists.

July 15 – Fishing for Fun – Learn the basics and ethics of fishing then go fishing! Bring your own rod and reel or use one of ours. Presented by the Gulf Coast Master Naturalists. Meet at Hale Lake.

July 22 – Basic Birds – Learn about the world of birds. Presented by Mary Ann Weber, Educational Director for the Houston Audubon Society.

July 29 – Eating for Energy – Discuss the food chain and predator/prey relationships. Study animal skulls to determine if they are herbivore, carnivore, or omnivore. Dissect owl pellets.

August 5 – The World of Water – Test the quality of water from pond to drinking water. Discover what lurks beneath the surface of a quiet pond.

MEET AT THE NATURE CENTER UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED