



MHAS *'Explore Nature'* Summer 2021 Membership Specials!

Summer is in full swing - loons nesting; lady slippers blooming; mayflies hatching; butterflies fluttering around your yard and on the trail. If you enjoy the rich diversity of our northern forests and lakes, consider becoming a Local Chapter Member of the Mississippi Headwaters Audubon Society (MHAS), or renew your expired membership.

As an extra incentive, MHAS is offering *'Explore Nature'* membership discounts thru October 1, 2021. Choose 'Half-Off' and/or 'Bring a Friend' discounts while registering on our website: spearheadmhas.org

'Half-Off' any Chickadee (Student), Raven (Adult), or Loon (Family), 2021 MHAS membership. Just use the promo code ***"Summer"*** when you fill out the membership form on our website.

'Bring a Friend' – Purchase any MHAS membership and provide a second 2021 Gift Membership free to a friend, relative, or anyone else you like! Fill out their contact information on the membership form.

WHAT WE DO...

- Manage 466 acres of lake, forest, bogs, wetlands, and trails called the Neilson Spearhead Center (NSC) for families, groups, and individuals to explore and learn about the natural world
- Host a summer outdoor nature camp, the "Young Naturalist Program", where kids get a hands-on nature experience. Since 1985, we've engaged hundreds of Bemidji area youth with a unique combination of experiential learning activities and nature education.
- Lead community projects and activities that connect people with nature, including: Christmas Bird Count; Great Backyard Bird Count; Snow Sparkles Family Day at Spearhead; Birds, Bees & Butterflies – Bemidji which promotes adding native plants to area yards and gardens; and more.
- Advocate for local conservation of important habitats and ecosystems. Through our efforts Bemidji has been designated a Minnesota Bird City!



With your membership you can enjoy the trails at Neilson Spearhead Center for free; receive our newsletter, "The Source", with information about recent and upcoming activities, field trips, and programs; and join us for our annual membership celebration at NSC on Sunday August 22. Your membership contribution will also help:

- ✓ Purchase more canoes and paddles for the Young Naturalist Program.
- ✓ Provide 'Grab & Go' nature-study backpacks at Neilson Spearhead Center & Preserve for visitors to take and explore our forests and trails.
- ✓ Improve trail markers at the Neilson Spearhead Center & Preserve.
- ✓ Build additional boardwalk sections over wet areas on our trails.
- ✓ Continue support for BBBB, Monarch Festival, Eagle Day Celebration, and other community initiatives.

Show your support and help build a stronger MHAS by becoming a member this summer!

**MHAS memberships are renewed on a calendar year basis*