

## *Peace Valley Nature Center*

*invites you and your family to visit our trails and solar building.*

Peace Valley offers 14 miles of nature trails in the woods and meadows at the eastern end of Lake Galena. The walking options vary from groomed foot paths near the Nature Center Solar Building to remote hiking trails in the mature woods. The foot paths are generally mowed or graveled and provided with bridges or stone steps at creek crossings. The Hike & Bike Path is a blacktop trail continuing around the lake on Creek Road and New Galena Road. These trails thread through areas rich with life.

More than 250 species of birds have been sighted here. The bird blind near the Solar Building is frequented by cardinals, woodpeckers, finches, titmice, sparrows, and many other colorful species. The deer tracks, groundhog holes, muskrat dens, and squirrel nests indicate the great variety of life. The understory plants of dogwoods, spicebush, cedar and viburnums yield to maples, oaks, ashes and tulip trees in the mature woods. The meadows have a large variety of wildflowers in bloom through the three seasons. Spring beauties, trout lilies, loosestrife, asters and sunflowers are a few of the many wildflowers common to the Nature Center.

The Special Wildlife Area is off-limits to humans, but can be enjoyed from the Chapman Road bridge or the duck blind. Osprey, cormorants, kingfishers, egrets, herons, turtles, snakes and frogs are easily viewed.

Guided family nature walks are conducted on Sundays and on summer evenings. Other programs include weekly adult nature walks, bird watching, full moon hikes and star watches. Community projects involve 4-H, Scouts, and other nature or environmentally related organizations. Environmental Education classes, preschool programs, teacher/naturalist training courses and internships are offered. The bird blinds and trails are open from dawn 'til dusk.

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