

# FAMILY FRIENDLY THINGS TO DO BEMIDJI SUMMER 2026

## WEEKLY ACTIVITIES



### **BECC MOVEMENT AND PLAY OUTDOORS (MAP)**

- FREE OPEN PLAY SPACE FOR CHILDREN AGES 0-5 AND THEIR GROWN-UPS
- FRIDAYS 9:30-11:30 STARTING JUNE 12-AUGUST 21
- PAUL BUNYAN CENTER PLAYGROUND (ACROSS FROM THE AIRPORT)



### **MISSISSIPPI MUSIC AT BEMIDJI WATERFRONT**

- WEDNESDAYS 6:00-8:00PM BEGINS JUNE 19TH



### **BEMIDJI STATE PARK**

- STORY TREE PRESCHOOL PROGRAM: THURSDAYS 10:00-10:30
- NATURE DISCOVERY TABLE: FRIDAYS 2:30-3:30

### **STORY TIME AT THE BEMIDJI PUBLIC LIBRARY**

- STORIES AND CRAFTS FOR PRESCHOOLERS AND TODDLERS
- TUE, WED, AND THUR 10:30AM



### **BEMIDJI MOVIE THEATER \$2 FAMILY MOVIES**

- WEDNESDAYS 10:00AM
- JUNE 10-JULY 29TH

### **BECC MOVIN MONDAYS STROLLER BRIGADE**

- MONDAYS JUNE 15-SEPT 28<sup>TH</sup> 9:45-12:00
- WALK TOGETHER FROM BECC TO NORTH COUNTRY PARK FOR A STORYTIME AND BACK

## PLAY AND LEARN

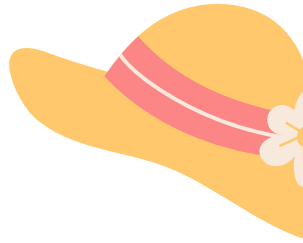
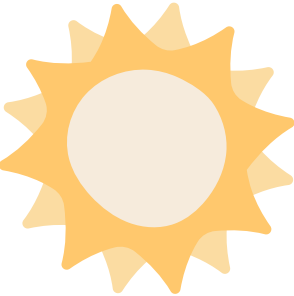


### **HEADWATERS SCIENCE CENTER**

- MONDAY-SATURDAY: 9:30-5:00, SUN: 1-5
- \$7.00 CHILDREN 2-11, \$10 AGES 12+
- TOTS ON TUESDAYS 9:30-5:00 (ACTIVITIES FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD)

### **BELTRAMI COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM**

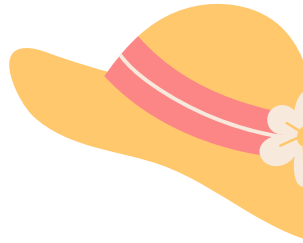
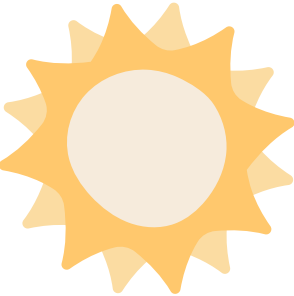
- WEDNESDAY-SATURDAY 10:00-4:00
  - \$7 ADULTS, \$3 STUDENTS GRADES K-COLLEGE, FREE FOR 5 AND UNDER
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## SUMMER SPECIFIC EVENTS

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- **BEMIDJI AREA FARMER'S MARKET** JUL-OCT TUE 11-2, THUR 3-6
    - ST MICHEL FURNITURE PARKING LOT
  - **BEMIDJI NATURAL'S CHOICE FARMERS MARKET:** SATURDAYS
    - DOWNTOWN BEMIDJI FRIZZELL FURNITURE PARKING LOT
  - **NATURE NEIGHBORS FAMILY FESTIVAL:** JUN 6
    - RAIL RIVER FOLK SCHOOL 3:00-6:00PM
  - **UNITED WAY KIDS FISHING TOURNAMENT:** JUN 14 8:00-12:00
    - ANY LAKE IN BELTRAMI COUNTY
    - AWARDS CEREMONY AT CAMERON PARK AT 1:00
  - **LOOP THE LAKE FESTIVAL:** JUNE 20TH
  - **BEMIDJI JAYCEES WATER CARNIVAL:** JULY 1ST-5TH
    - SANFORD CENTER AND LAKEFRONT
  - **FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT AT THE WATERFRONT** JULY 2<sup>ND</sup>
    - 6:30PM FREE SHOWING OF MATILDA
  - **KIDDIE PARADE:** SATURDAY, JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> 10:30AM
    - BSU TO LAKE BOULEVARD TO LAKEFRONT
  - **FOURTH OF JULY PARADE:** SUNDAY, JULY 5TH
    - AT 1:00PM DOWNTOWN BEMIDJI (FIREWORKS JULY 4TH)
  - **BABE'S BURNOUT CAR SHOW:** JULY 11TH
    - AT SANFORD CENTER 11:00AM
  - **WATERMARK ART FESTIVAL:** JULY 18TH-19TH
    - AT LIBRARY PARK
  - **ANISHINAABE ARTS FESTIVAL:** JULY, 2026
    - BEMIDJI STATE UNIVERSITY HOBSON UNION
  - **BEMIDJI DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL:** JULY 30TH-AUG 1ST
    - AT BEMIDJI LAKEFRONT
  - **CLEARWATER COUNTY FAIR:** AUG 5TH-AUG 9TH
    - BAGLEY HIGH SCHOOL
  - **BELTRAMI COUNTY FAIR:** AUGUST 12TH-16TH
    - BELTRAMI COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS



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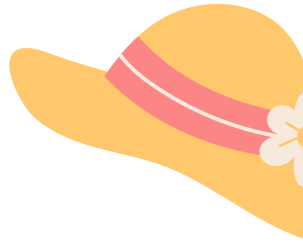
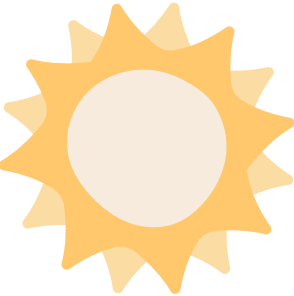
## POW WOWS

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- **MEMORIAL POW WOW TRADITIONAL POW WOW:**
    - MAY 22-24
    - VETERANS MEMORIAL POW WOW GROUNDS CASS LAKE, MN
  - **LEECH LAKE DAYS CONTEST POW WOW:**
    - JUNE 19-21
    - VETERANS MEMORIAL POW WOW GROUNDS, CASS LAKE, MN
  - **MII GWITCH MAHNOMEN DAYS TRADITIONAL POW WOW:**
    - JULY 17-19 BALL CLUB, MN
  - **ONIGUM TRADITIONAL POW WOW:**
    - JULY 24-26
    - ONIGUM, MN
  - **CHA CHA BAH NING TRADITIONAL POW WOW:**
    - AUG 21-23 INGER, MN



## OTHER THINGS TO DO

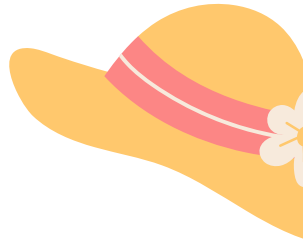
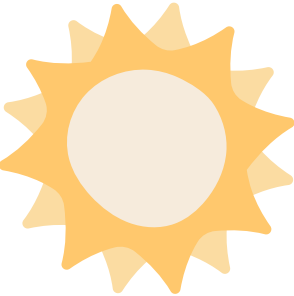
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- **BEMIDJI DOWNTOWN SCULPTURE WALK**
  - **VISIT WATERMARK ART CENTER**
  - **VISIT PAUL BUNYAN AND BABE THE BLUE OX AND THE VISITOR CENTER**
  - **BEMIDJI ROCKS! HIDE AND SEARCH FOR HIDDEN PAINTED ROCKS AROUND BEMIDJI-CHECK OUT FACEBOOK PAGE**
  - **GEOCACHING**
  - **KIDS BOWL FREE-BEMIDJI BOWLING ALLEY**
    - MON-THUR 3-8PM-REGISTRATION ONLINE REQUIRED
  - **BERRY PICKING:**
    - THOMPSON FARMS (OAK HILLS RD)
    - TER LEE GARDENS (BAGLEY)
  - **PLAY DISC GOLF AT BEMIDJI CITY PARK**



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## PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

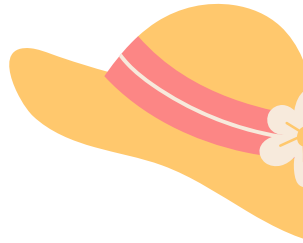
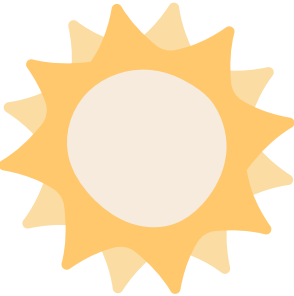
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- **BEMIDJI STATE PARK:** 3401 STATE PARK RD NE
    - PLAYGROUND, SWIMMING, PICNIC AREAS, BATHROOMS, GEOCACHING (FREE GPS RENTAL), HIKING TRAILS. COST: \$6.00 PARKING PASS
  - **PAUL BUNYAN PARK:** 300 BEMIDJI AVE N
    - PLAYGROUND, PAUL AND BABE STATUES, BATHROOMS, PICNIC AREAS
  - **DIAMOND POINT PARK:** 1710 BIRCHMONT DR NE
    - PLAYGROUND, SWIMMING, BATHROOMS, PICNIC AREAS (NEXT TO BSU OPC RENTS CANOES, KAYAKS, AND OTHER RECREATIONAL GEAR)
  - **CAMERON PARK:** 2609 BIRCHMONT DR NE
    - PLAYGROUND, SWIMMING, PICNIC AREAS, BATHROOMS
  - **CITY PARK: PLAYGROUND:** 1330 23<sup>RD</sup> ST NW
    - PICNIC, NEXT TO SKATE PARK AND DISC GOLF COURSE
  - **NYMORE PARK:** 625 MILES AVE SE
    - PLAYGROUND, PICNIC AREA, TENNIS COURTS, NEXT TO DOG PARK
  - **ALGOMA PARK:** 3502 MINNESOTA AVE NW
    - PLAYGROUND, PICNIC AREA, BASEBALL FIELD, PICKLEBALL COURTS
  - **GORDON FALLS PARK:** 523 12<sup>TH</sup> ST NW
    - PLAYGROUND, BASKETBALL COURT
  - **GRANT LAKE PARK:** 8288 GRANT LAKE LN SW WILTON
    - PLAYGROUND, PICNIC AREA, SWIMMING BEACH, BATHROOMS
  - **NORTH COUNTRY PARK:** 1001 30<sup>TH</sup> ST NW
    - WALKING TRAILS, PAVILION, PLAY AREA, PICNIC AREA, BATHROOMS
  - **THREE ISLAND PARK:** 7015 3 ISLAND RD NE
    - RIVER SWIMMING, PICNIC AREA, TRAILS, SCENIC, BATHROOMS
  - **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PLAYGROUNDS OPEN TO PUBLIC**
    - **PAUL BUNYAN EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER** (FENCED)
    - **NORTHERN ELEMENTARY**
    - **JW SMITH ELEMENTARY** (FENCED)
    - **LINCOLN ELEMENTARY** (FENCED)
    - **HORACE MAY ELEMENTARY** (WALKING TRAIL)
    - **SOLWAY ELEMENTARY**
    - **GENE DILLON ELEMENTARY** (DISC GOLF COURSE AND WALKING TRAIL)
    - **OLD CENTRAL ELEMENTARY** (FENCED)



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## FUN DAY OR WEEKEND TRIPS

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- **GRAND RAPIDS, MN**
    - CHILDREN'S DISCOVERY MUSEUM AND JUDY GARLAND HOUSE
    - FOREST HISTORY CENTER
    - BLANDIN BEACH
  - **PARK RAPIDS, MN**
    - EVERGREEN FUN PARK
    - CHARACTER CHALLENGE COURSE
    - ITASCA STATE PARK
  - **DETROIT LAKES, MN**
    - DETROIT LAKES COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL CENTER
    - DISCOVER THE TROLLS
  - **PERHAM, MN**
    - PERHAM COMMUNITY CENTER
  - **BRAINERD LAKES AREA, MN**
    - SAFARI NORTH WILDLIFE PARK
    - PIRATE'S COVE MINI GOLF
    - LAKES PARTY AND BOUNCE HOUSE
    - LOTS OF WATERPARKS
  - **THIEF RIVER FALLS**
    - SEVEN CLANS CASINO THEIR RIVER FALLS WATERPARK
  - **GRAND FORKS, ND**
    - SPLASHERS OF THE SOUTH SEAS WATERPARK
    - NORTHERN AIR TRAMPOLINE PARK
  - **FARGO, ND**
    - RED RIVER ZOO
    - FARGO AIR MUSEUM
    - SKYZONE TRAMPOLINE PARK
  - **ST CLOUD, MN**
    - GREAT RIVER CHILDREN'S MUSEUM
    - SKATIN PLACE ROLLER SKATING RINK
    - AIR MAXX TRAMPOLINE AND WARRIOR PARK
    - SUMMERLAND FAMILY FUN PARK
  - **DULUTH, MN**
    - GREAT LAKES AQUARIUM
    - LAKE SUPERIOR RAILROAD MUSEUM
    - LAKE SUPERIOR ZOO
    - DULUTH CHILDREN'S MUSEUM
    - LIFT BRIDGE, CANAL PARK, AND MARITIME MUESEUM



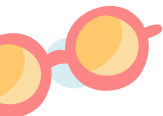
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## BIKING AND HIKING TRAILS

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- **LAKE BEMIDJI LOOP:** 16 MILES
  - **BEMIDJI STATE PARK TRAILS**
  - **PAUL BUNYAN TRAIL**
    - **LOST 40:** 1.9 MILE LOOP
    - 40 ACRES OF 800 YEAR OLD FOREST
    - CHIPPEWA NATIONAL FOREST NEAR BLACKDUCK
  - **NEILSON SPEARHEAD RECREATION AREA**
    - TRAILS AND WILDLIFE AREA
    - FREE TO VISIT DAWN TO DUSK
  - **LA SALLE PARK**
  - **MOVIL MAZE:**
    - BIKING, HIKING, AND RUNNING TRAILS
  - **ITASCA STATE PARK TRAILS**
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## CHECK OUT THESE RESOURCES FOR UPDATED INFO ON CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES IN BEMIDJI

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- **BEMIDJI AREA SCHOOLS COMMUNITY EDUCATION:**
    - [HTTP://BEMIDJICOMMUNITYED.ARUX.APP](http://bemidjicommunityed.arux.app)
  - **VISIT BEMIDJI CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**
    - [HTTP://VISITBEMIDJI.COM/CALENDAR.HTML](http://visitbemidji.com/calendar.html)
  - **CITY OF BEMIDJI PARKS AND RECREATION:**
    - [HTTPS://SECURE.REC1.COM/MN/BEMIDJI-MN/CATALOG](https://secure.rec1.com/mn/bemidji-mn/catalog)
  - **HEADWATERS SCHOOL OF MUSIC AND ART:**
    - [HTTP://HWSCHOOL.ORG/](http://hwschool.org/)
  - **BEMIDJI PUBLIC LIBRARY**
    - [HTTP://WWW.KRLS.ORG/BRANCHES/BRANCH\\_BJ.HTML](http://www.krls.org/branches/branch_bj.html)
  - **BEMIDJI AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**
    - [HTTPS://WWW.BEMIDJI.ORG/](https://www.bemidji.org/)
  - **BEMIDJI EARLY CHILDHOOD COLLABORATIVE**
    - [HTTPS://WWW.BEMIDJIEARLYCHILDHOODCOLLABORATIVE.ORG/](https://www.bemidjierlychildhoodcollaborative.org/)
  - **BEMIDJI WITH KIDS**
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