

Summer Solstice Camping Trip – Friday, June 20, 2008:

On the Summer Solstice of 2008 (occurring at 11:59pm on June 20th) we will be kayaking or canoeing at night – and camping overnight. The trip will begin with a gathering at the canoe rental at 8:00 pm. From there, we will gear up and head out to Pine Street Boat Launch where we will settle into our canoes or kayaks for a sunset / moonlit trip down the river. About two hours into the trip, we will pull off at the DNR Campsite (not accessible except by the river) where the guides will build a campfire, provide refreshments and begin making dinner (steak and potatoes or veggie style) while you set up your tent for a night of entertainment and education. After everyone is set up and fed the ingredients for S'mores (yes, you actually have to cook them – but we can help if you really need us too!) will be provided. Our guides are very entertaining and will be glad to show you how to read the stars, identify animals, and, if you are really lucky, they might show you how to talk to the animals! After the fireside fun, the group will retire for the evening. In the morning, after a leisurely breakfast, the group will get back into their canoes and kayaks to finish the last two hours of paddling in the beautiful morning mist. If you have never had the pleasure of paddling in the morning, you should sign up for this! The sights are amazing and the trip thrills all participants. This trip requires each attendee to bring some specific gear, a list will be provided. The trip will end in Newaygo (back at your vehicle) and you should plan on getting back by about noon. Note: Everyone is required to wear a life-jacket while in their watercraft and they will be provided, or you can bring your own.

Cost:

\$90.00 / single kayak (includes kayak, PFD, Paddle, Transport, Dinner, Breakfast and Refreshments.

\$120.00 / canoe (includes canoe, PFDs, Paddles, Transport, Dinner, Breakfast and Refreshments.

\$130.00 / double kayak (includes kayak, PFDs, Paddles, Transport and Refreshments. (Maximum of 20 people, so sign up early!)