Cass County Conservation Board



February 2018



CONSERVATION UPDATES:

Last Chance to SNOWSHOE!! I have 5 pairs of snowshoes that fit children 90 lbs. and below. I have 25 pairs fit children weighing up to 175 lbs. and 3 pairs for children over 175 lbs. Here is how it will work, I am leaving four morning and afternoons open in February for snowshoe programs. You can email me and set up a program like you usually would, I will put you on the list for that month (if no snow yet) or if we have snow we can put you in on a date for the program. Another words very flexible!! Any green space will work near the schools, and with the least amount of concrete for the snowshoes to be near is best! Cancellation policy: if you do not have outside recess we won't go outside either. Rest of winter: if we get enough snow, email me (I only have one class on the list) and see what we can work out!!!!!

<u>Upcoming public programs this month:</u> Winter Camp for 3rd-5th grade will be in March. **Full Moon Owl Prowl Hike** Thursday February 1st 7:00 PM Cold Springs Park, Lewis, IA

Drive the short drive and hike off that dinner! We will hike and try to call in various species of Owls that may be in the park that night! **Great Backyard Bird Count** February 16-19th Saturday February 10th 12:30 PM Atlantic Public Library Community Room- Learn how to be involved in a great citizen science project! We will show and explain how to participate in the project. We will also include some tips on identifying birds.

Programming Notice:

3rd grade Fable Contest is DUE February 28th with awarding March 5th through 9th. Please schedule awarding and introduction program (if needed) ASAP.

Featured Programs:

Owl Moon (pre-K), or Lucky Ladybugs (pre-K), Owls (K-1) this program is great during Jan and Feb, Web of Life (2-3) or Energy Flows Throughout an Ecosystem (4-5). Programs to fit your schedule although most can take up to 45 min. Please contact me if you do not have a program list!

Schedule Spring Field Trips now!! Space in May is Limited!! Outdoor Educational Classroom outside Massena is available to all school districts, ALL year round. Classroom/ lodge is heated. Lots of programming options available, including trunks (Birds, Tracks, and Orienteering) are available, contact Lora. Like Cass County Conservation on Facebook! Keep up to date on monthly events to guide your family outdoors!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Monthly newsletters are sent to E-MAIL accounts! I am still in the process of developing NEW programs, please let me know if there is a topic or standard you would like met in a program that we don't have yet! Any feedback is welcome!



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