



# Cass County Conservation Board January 2017



## CONSERVATION UPDATES:

Book NOW for SNOWSHOES! I have one class spot left for January. And February is WIDE OPEN for class spots. 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 to five days open in January and 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!! Think about bundling up your whole class and getting them in the shoes, so 45 mins is preferred for 3rd -12th grades. 2nd grade and below (EVEN preschool!), same amount of time roughly, considering that your children are weighing less than 90 lbs. and we can rotate them in and out in groups of 5. 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. If there is no snow you may schedule a snowdate.

Schedule now for the Great Backyard Bird Count, the count is February 17-20th! I will come in give some basic bird ID and run the class through the recording sheets and how to report on line if the teacher would like to go that route! We want the Atlantic area to be #1 again this year! Great for 5th grade and up!

Upcoming public programs this month: Soiree with the Swans will be January 7th 11am-2:30pm at Schildberg Recreation Area Lake 4. Winter Camps: FREE. Forms can be found at the quick links section at [www.extension.iastate.edu/cass/](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/cass/). Register early, space is limited. Please contact Cass County Extension at 243-1132 for questions.

### **Penguin Winter Day Camp** For youth in Kdg- 2nd grades.

March 24th 9AM-Noon or 1PM-4PM Atlantic Community Building- Atlantic School District

April 17th 9AM-Noon Atlantic Community Building- CAM and Griswold Districts

Please register by March 17th (Atlantic) or April 10th (CAM and Griswold). Students will learn about all about Penguins.

### **Snow Adventure Winter Day Camp** For youth in 3rd-5th grades.

February 17th 9AM-4PM Lewis Activity Center, February 20th 9AM-4PM Anita Community Building, March 3rd 9AM-4PM - Atlantic Community Building Please register by February 10th. Students will learn about snow, winter animals, and winter recreation.

### Programming Notice:

3rd grade Fable Contest is DUE February 28th with awarding March 3rd thru 8th. 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).

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