

Education Programs

July and August, 2010



Woodcock Creek Nature Center

Crawford County Conservation District
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Business Hours
Monday - Friday
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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JOIN US AT THE
WOODCOCK CREEK NATURE CENTER !

The Crawford County Conservation District will host many
FREE Programs (unless otherwise noted) in 2010.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR ALL PROGRAMS.

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Call 814-763-5269 to register or for more information.

Please let us know if you require special accommodations.
All children under age 12 should be accompanied by an adult.

NEW! NATURE CAMP
2010

"DIG INTO SOIL" AGES 5—8



June 30, July 1, and July 2

9:30 A.M.—12:30 P.M.

**REGISTRATION IS LIMITED TO 25 ATTENDEES and
\$25.00 MUST ACCOMPANY REGISTRATION.
No refunds after June 16, 2010.**

**Each participant will receive a t-shirt and water bottle. Snack
and drink will be provided each day.**

Dig into Soil is being offered by the Crawford County Conservation District and hosted by the Army Corp of Engineers. Camp will encompass several locations around Woodcock including both the Woodcock Creek Nature Center and the Bossard Nature Center.

Sign up today! Come and experience Woodcock! Make new friends!

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MORNING BIRD WALK

Thursday, July 8

9:30 a.m.—11:00 a.m.



Start the day off right by joining us for a morning bird walk. Sarah Sargent, Important Bird Area Coordinator for Audubon Pennsylvania, will lead us on an excursion at the Woodcock Creek Nature Center and Stainbrook Park to search for our fine feathered friends. Come and learn more about the birds that we might expect to discover in our area. Bring your binoculars if you have them!

NIGHT BAT COUNT AND WALK

Wednesday, July 14

8:00 p.m.—9:30 p.m.

Looking for an evening adventure?! Come out and join us for a bat observation and walk. We will see how many bats exit one of our Nature Center bat houses. Terry Lobdell will lead the excursion.

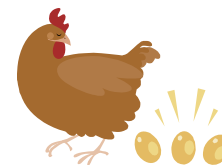


BACKYARD CHICKENS

Tuesday, July 20

4:30 p.m.—5:30 p.m.

Did you ever wonder if you could raise a few chickens? Join Conservation District staff members Tracey Crawford and Maria Anderson as they teach us about raising and housing chickens. Special guest speaker William Yockey will do a presentation on “Heritage Chickens.” Join us to learn everything from chicks to coops!



PRESERVING PROGRAM —Call 814-825-0900 to register for this program, not the Nature Center.

Tuesday, July 27

9:30 a.m. – noon

Home canning can save money, provide quality, nutritious food for your family, and be a satisfying experience. However, canning methods have changed since Grandma put up her first jar of peaches. Janice Ronan, Penn State Cooperative Extension, Erie County, will cover the basic principles of canning, equipment needed, current recommended canning methods and resources. There is a \$10 registration fee.



BASIC COMPASS COURSE

Wednesday, August 4

4:30 p.m.—5:30 p.m.

Limited to first 25 registrants



Have you ever wondered how to use a compass or lost in the woods? Join Brian Pilarcik, Crawford County Conservation District, for an introduction to using a compass. Learn the do's and don'ts of using a compass, how to find your pace count, as well as how to use a compass in several hands on exercises. Materials and compasses will be provided.

CREATING AN HERBARIUM

Tuesday, August 10

10:00 a. m. – noon

Making an herbarium can be a fun and creative project for almost any age. Join Maria Anderson and Tracey Crawford in collecting, mounting, drying, and displaying several different species. Program will include a take home plant press. **There is a \$3.00 charge for materials.**



TREE IDENTIFICATION

Wednesday, August 25

1:30 p.m. —3:30 p.m.



Enjoy your hikes through the woods but don't know an oak from an ash? Join Mark Lewis, Service Forester, Pennsylvania Bureau of Forestry, for a walk around the Nature Center and through Stainbrook Park identifying some of Pennsylvania's common trees. This program is open to all ages and will be held rain or shine.