

Youth Groups:

The Jones County Conservation Board staff would like to invite you to consider your meeting place and the many outdoor areas of Jones County as rewarding locations to learn about our natural environment. You will find our diverse ecosystems and wildlife offer many educational opportunities.

"If you fail to know
"Nature" you will never
miss it when it is gone."

The primary purpose of the Jones County Nature Center at Central Park is to provide environmental education. Programs for the public, schools, and other groups are held regularly at the center. Central Park is located in the center of Jones County and is within a 15-30 minute drive from all communities in the county.



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Jones County Youth Group Naturalist Programs



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Naturalist Office: (563) 487-3541

▶ Outdoor Youth Group Programs

***Animal Tracks & Sign:** Learn how to find and read animal tracks and sign. Make a plaster animal track to take home.

***Snowshoeing:** Learn how to snowshoe and explore Iowa's wintry wonderland. Snowshoes provided.



***Fishing:** Learn the basics of how to use a rod and reel to catch a fish. Practice casting and try your luck fishing. Rods and reels provided.

***Canoeing Basics:** Learn how to canoe safely at Central Park Lake. Six canoes available for group use.

***Tree ID:** Learn how to identify Iowa trees by their bark, twigs, and leaves.

***Bird Watching:** Learn how to identify Iowa's birds. (12 pair of binoculars for group use.)

***Aquatic Water Investigation:** Examine the water quality of a pond or stream.

▶ Indoor Programs

***Iowa's Snakes:** Learn all about Iowa's snakes. Live snakes used.

***Iowa's Turtles:** Learn all about Iowa's turtles. Live turtles used.



***Iowa's Mammals:** What furry critters are in your backyard? Pelts & skulls used.

***All About Owls:** Learn how to hoot like an owl and much more.

***Bird Feeding Basics:** Learn how to feed the birds and make a simple birdfeeder to take home.

***Water Quality:** Learn how our waters can become polluted by run off and learn what you can do to help stop it.

***Other topics for badges as requested.**

▶ Naturalist Programs:

*No charge.

*Free will donations accepted.

*Programs tailored to your badge requirements or requests.

*Call (563) 487-3541 to request a program, date, and time.

▶ Service Projects:

Contact the Jones County Naturalist at (563) 487-3541 to inquire about possible youth group service projects, as well as possible Eagle Scout projects. A list of possible projects will be provided upon request.



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