



Anoka County Parks and Recreation

Wargo Nature Center, 7701 Main Street, Lino Lakes, MN 55038

November 14, 2009

Dear Educator,

We are pleased to announce the 20<sup>th</sup> year of the Connexus Energy / Anoka County Parks and Recreation Wildlife Education Outreach Program. Through this program we are able to present 45-minute educational presentations focused on Minnesota wildlife to you and your students **free of cost**. Each show consists of a 10-20 minute video, "fun facts" (including the use of mounted animals and artifacts), a concluding story, and an educational brochure for each student. Grades 1-3 have the choice of the Loon, Otter, Owl, Butterfly, or Moose shows. Grades 4-6 have the choice of the Raptor, Woodpecker, Bison, Bear, or Wolf shows. By limiting topics to different grades, we can tailor the shows to better meet the needs of specific age levels. We will begin presentations January 6, 2010 and finish April 14, 2010.

Due to the tremendous popularity of this program, it is helpful if teachers could coordinate dates and topics for each grade level. This same teacher would then be the contact person and reserve the TV monitor, VCR or DVD, and table. It is very important that you find a convenient location for the presenter to remain in one place and not have to move, if at all possible. Please **combine 2-3 classes for approximately 60-90 students** in each presentation. We can provide one topic per visit with a minimum of two presentations and a maximum of six shows on that same topic. Please allow 10-15 minutes between presentations for classes to switch, and if four or more shows are scheduled, please allow a lunch break for the presenter.

Please fill out the attached registration form and return as soon as possible, preferably by **December 9**. Please include your e-mail address on the registration form as we will be sending confirmations electronically. Programs are booked on a first-come, first-serve basis. We will contact you with confirmed program dates in an e-mail confirmation. In the case of the presenter becoming ill, they will contact you and reschedule the date. These are the dates available:

January dates: 6,12,14,15,19,20,26,28  
February dates: 2,3,9,11,12,16,17,23,25  
March dates: 2,3,4,9,11,16,19,23,25,31  
April dates: 1,8,9,14

We look forward to your participation in the Connexus Energy / Anoka County Parks and Recreation Wildlife Education Outreach Program. As mentioned earlier, this **FREE** program is made possible through the continued financial support of Connexus Energy.

Sincerely,

Deb Gallop, Program Coordinator  
Wargo Nature Center

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