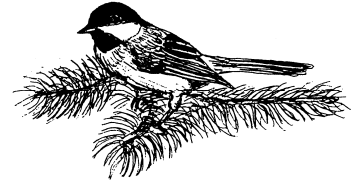




Winterfest



A Free Event

**Celebrating the National Refuge System 106th Anniversary
at**

Sherburne National Wildlife Refuge

Saturday, February 7, 2009

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Guided Tours

- 12:00 p.m. & 2:00 p.m.** **Winter Wonder Walk** - Join us for a short walk to learn how plants and animals adapt for winter survival. Meet at the bonfire near the school house.
- 10:30a.m.–3:00p.m.** **Horse-drawn Hay Ride** - Enjoy a hay ride while learning about the plants and animals of the oak savanna.

Activities

- 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.**
- Snowshoe Checkouts** - Put on a pair of snowshoes and explore the prairie on your own.
 - Scavenger Hunt** – Explore the festival area while solving riddles. Begin at snowshoes.
 - Bird Feeders** – See easy to make bird feeders and take home construction plans.
 - Winter Nature Crafts** – Make your own pinecone bird feeder to take home.
 - Face Painting** - Winter and wildlife designs are available. Inside the school house.
 - Wildlife Expo** – Furs, feathers and bones all teach us how wildlife survive winter.
 - Animal Tracks** – Try out the animal track quiz board or make a track in sand.
 - Winter Survival** – Learn how animals and people stay warm during the winter cold.
 - Bonfire** - Warm yourself and enjoy good company while tasting a sweet treat.
 - Puddles** – Meet the Refuge System mascot, Puddles, when he visits the festival.
 - Friends of Sherburne Gift Shop** – Fleece vests, sweatshirts, t-shirts & more.
 - Silent Auction** – 15 plus items. Located in hospitality tent. Bidding closes at 2:00 p.m.
 - Hospitality** – Hot coffee, cider, cocoa and cookies for purchase. \$.25 each.
 - Birthday Cake** – Free cake celebrating the 106th birthday of the National Refuge System will be served in the hospitality tent from 12:30 p.m. until out.
 - Brat & Hot Dog Lunch** - 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Brat \$2.00, Hot Dog \$1.50, Pop \$.50.

Presentations

- 11:00 a.m.** **Raptors of the Midwest** – See a live hawk, owl and falcon and learn about their adaptations for successful hunting. Presentation by Jeff Tyson from the Audubon Center of the North Woods.
- 1:00 p.m.** **Raptors of the Midwest** – Repeat of above program.

For more information, or special accommodations, call the refuge at 763-389-3323 ext.13. TTY Federal Relay Service: 1-800-877-8339.

All activities begin at the Old School House located 5.5 miles west of Hwy. 169 on Sherburne County Road 9.
Event Hosts: the Friends of Sherburne and the Refuge.