

Friends of Warren County Conservation

Executive Board Recruitment

Quick Facts:

- Founding: 1995 as a nonprofit 501(c)(3). Four founding members still serve.
- Purpose: To support the mission of the Annett Nature Center and its role in the WCCB programs and services, primarily through fundraising and volunteerism on behalf of environmental education.
- Membership: 150 members in 2016 in 5 categories (individual, joint/family, benefactor, corporate, and lifetime).
- Governance: 12-member executive board serving rotational 3-year renewable terms.
- Officers: President, Vice President/Secretary, and Treasurer elected annually in January.
- Meetings: Monthly on the 4th Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at the Annett Nature Center for 1-2 hours. Additional special meetings are rare.
- Warren County Conservation Board: Consists of 5 volunteer members appointed by the Warren County Board of Supervisors.
- Nature Center Staff: Director, Operations Coordinator, Natural Resource Specialist, 2 Naturalists, 2 Conservation Technicians, multiple seasonal staff.

Volunteerism:

Almost all events listed below benefit from the participation of Friends volunteers. The average event might require 2-5 volunteers for 2-3 hours. Typical duties involve setup and cleanup, preparing and serving food, participant registration, demonstrations, and many “other duties as assigned.”

Fundraising Events 2016:

- Osprey 5K (April) \$817
- Native Plant Sale (April) \$2179
- Plant Some Shade (April) \$970
- Nonresident Deer Tag Auction (August) \$4100
- Prairie Picnic (September) \$3222

Sponsored Events 2016:

- Geocaching Easter Egg Hunt (March)
- Wild Women of the Woods (May)
- Kids Fish Day (June)
- Nature program for kids in partnership with Indianola Public Library (June)
- Free Live Concert (July)
- Parks Tour and Wine Tasting (July)
- Warren County Farm Tour (August)
- Volunteer Recognition (September)
- Halloween Hike (October)
- Mentored Deer Hunt (October)

Please respond to the following:

Do you have a background in community service, board membership, volunteering, and/or fundraising? Please describe--

What interests or experience do you have that relate to the Friends purpose or the activities of the Annett Nature Center?

With this brief description of the Friends purpose and responsibilities, do you believe that you can make the time commitment to become an effective board member?

Yes_____ No_____ Not Sure_____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Thank you for your interest in becoming a Friends board member.