

# Friends of Warren County Conservation

## Executive Board Recruitment

### Quick Facts:

- Founding: 1995 as a nonprofit 501(c)(3). Some 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: approximately 150 members 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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: Co-Directors-Operations Coordinator, Co-Director-Naturalist II Natural Resource Specialist, Naturalist, 3 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.” Other tasks include reaching out to the community for donations and sponsorships.

### Fundraising Events:

- Osprey 5K (April)
- Native Plant Sale (May)
- Nonresident Deer Tag Auction (August)
- Prairie Picnic (September)

### Sponsored Events:

- Wild Women of the Woods (June)
- Kids Fish Day (June)
- IA Trail Run ANC Series (October)
- Halloween Hike (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. Email to karenjohlas-szakowski@warrencb.org or mail to FWCC, 15565 118th Ave, Indianola, IA 50125