

Iowa SWCS Annual Meeting

Friday, November 22, 2024

Tama County Nature Center at Otter Creek Lake and Park

2283 Park Road
Toledo, IA 52342



Cost: \$15 for SWCS members*, \$25 for non-members, \$10 for students

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Registration Information: Pre-register through Eventbrite by **Thursday, November 14.**

Payment can be made with a credit or debit card through Eventbrite, or with cash or check in person at the meeting, but registration must be completed through Eventbrite regardless of payment method.

Registration Link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1071415174629>

AGENDA

- 9:30 a.m. Check-in, Networking & Morning Refreshments
- 10:00 a.m. **Welcome**, Introductions, and Meeting Logistics – Miranda Haes, Iowa Chapter President
- 10:15 a.m. **“The Value of Building Community in Conservation”** – Clare Lindahl, CEO, SWCS
- 11:00 a.m. **“Otter Creek Lake Restoration”**
- Video (10 minutes)
 - Presentation – Curtis Behrens, Director, Tama County Conservation Board
 - Tour of Nature Center
- 12:00 p.m. **LUNCH** – Baked Potato Bar provided by My Mother’s Place Catering of Elberon, IA
- 1:00 p.m. **Iowa SWCS Annual Business Meeting**
- 2:00 p.m. Wrap up and **travel to Meskwaki Settlement** (~20 minute drive)
- 2:30 p.m. **Meet at Meskwaki Apprenticeship Building** (3138 H. Ave., Tama) **for Tour of Gardens** – Avis Bear-Bass, Youth Education Coordinator, and Luke Kapayou, Ancestral Farming Manager, Meskwaki Food Sovereignty Initiative
- (Note: Most of the tour will be outdoors, so please dress accordingly.)
- 3:30 p.m. **Conclusion**

Post-meeting Social Event at Luckys Grill and Taproom inside the Meskwaki Bingo Casino Hotel at 1504 305th St, Tama, IA

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