

'A WALK ON THE WILD SIDE'

At the Ottawa-Carleton Wildlife Centre

Saturday, June 19th, 2010

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Limited Space – Registration Required (see below)



Geared to children as well as the 'young at heart', the Ottawa-Carleton Wildlife Centre, in partnership with the Greenbelt Coalition of Canada's Capital Region, will give an informative and fun presentation on local wildlife.

It will be followed by a leisurely walk on the little-known Greenbelt trails at the Centre to learn more about the habitat of these fascinating animals.

Leader: Kate MacNeil, Education Coordinator, Ottawa-Carleton Wildlife Centre
Resource: Christine Hanrahan, Ottawa Field Naturalists' Club

REGISTRATION

I would like to attend on Saturday, June 19, 2010

Children # _____ Ages _____

Adults # _____

Name (Print) _____ Email: _____ Tel: _____

I can't attend but would like to be notified of future events

You can register by returning this form in the enclosed envelope or forwarding the information requested to ocwc@ncf.ca. Telephone (613) 726-8178 for information.

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The Greenbelt Coalition was formed in the fall of 2008 to provide a strong community-based voice in relation to the National Capital Commission's review of the 1996 Greenbelt Master Plan.

The coalition is comprised of virtually all the major environmental and community organizations in the National Capital Region. Our overall objective is to promote our vision and the preservation and enhancement of the National Capital Greenbelt.

We see the National Capital Greenbelt as part of our national heritage and an essential component of the national capital's "emerald necklace" that makes Canada's capital a truly unique green city to live in and visit. We see the Greenbelt as a "natural oasis" with expansive views of the Capital, significant natural areas, and agriculture, forest and heritage landscapes – **a model of biodiversity in an urban setting.**

The Coalition is offering tours of the Greenbelt over the course of the year to raise awareness of the importance of maintaining and improving this exceptional natural resource. Please visit our website www.greenbeltcoalition.ca and add your name to our mailing list for notifications of activities such as walking, cycling and bus tours of the Greenbelt during the year.



The Ottawa-Carleton Wildlife Centre celebrated its twenty-third anniversary this year. The Centre's mission is to establish a better understanding and respect for wildlife in the face of rapid development and habitat loss.

This is achieved through our Wildlife Education School Program taken to more than 1,000 area students each year, Community Outreach and Awareness Programs through a wide variety of presentations and events, a website which offers comprehensive solutions for specific human-wildlife conflicts, articles in community media and collaboration with other stakeholder organizations in the development of constructive strategies on behalf of progressive environmental goals.

The Centre's expertise and its ability to engage young people on wildlife concerns comes from many years of direct hands-on experience in the past in caring for over 10,000 orphaned and injured wild mammals comprising 23 different species and in operating a Human-Wildlife Conflict Hotline that assisted over 100,000 callers.

Because such a significant proportion of the Greenbelt is natural environment it is crucial to wildlife – all the more so given that the extensive development surrounding the Greenbelt has eliminated so much wildlife habitat. The Ottawa-Carleton Wildlife Centre's membership in the Greenbelt Coalition ensures that there is a strong voice for wildlife.

Visit www.wildlifeinfo.ca to learn more about the Centre's programs.