

Chestnut Grove Natural Area

WILDLIFE OF THE CHESTNUT GROVE NATURAL AREA

The Chestnut Grove Natural Area (CGNA) is ideal for wildlife and observing nature for two key reasons:

1) HABITAT DIVERSITY: Stream corridors, wetlands, forested marshes, open water, grasslands and forested uplands provide various habitats for different wildlife.

2) MIGRATORY CORRIDOR: The Susquehanna River is a major travel / migratory corridor for ducks, hawks, bald eagles, herons and song birds to name a few. When these species need a rest, it is easy for them to fly off of the river and stop at the CGNA. The open water ponds provide sheltered areas for waterfowl, like the wood duck, to come off the river for food and shelter. A sandhill crane has even been observed feeding on site. Furthermore, the open grasslands and woodlands provide food for many of these species.

SPECIES THAT YOU MAY SEE WHILE VISITING THE CHESTNUT GROVE NATURAL AREA:



bald eagle



American kestrel



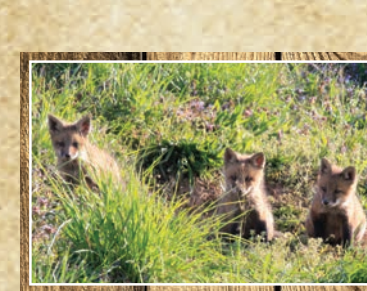
ruby-crowned kinglet



longtail salamanders



Eastern box turtle



Eastern red fox



raccoon

ALSO PRESENT: Osprey, peregrine falcon, wood duck, great blue heron, Eastern bluebird, Baltimore oriole, white-tailed deer and many more.

Also as you explore the CGNA, you will see a variety of bird boxes. LCSWMA staff has placed several blue bird boxes and American kestrel boxes around the property to provide nesting locations for these two species.



While visiting the Chestnut Grove Natural Area,
please be respectful of the wildlife. This is their home!

