

# Columbia County Soil & Water Conservation District

## Mud Creek Environmental Learning Center

### 2021 Online Events in collaboration with Livingston Free Library



#### Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup> - 7 pm

#### Winter Wildlife, Animal Tracks, and Nocturnal Animals

#### with Mud Creek Environmental Learning Center

Join us for an animal tracking interactive online event with Columbia County Soil & Water Conservation District on January 12th! We will learn about signs of wildlife and the natural history of local animals. The program will start with a brief talk about identifying animal tracks, our common, but seldom seen, nocturnal neighbors, and the adaptations that allow them to navigate their nighttime world by Pamela Price, Certified Wildlife Biologist and Education Program Coordinator at Mud Creek Environmental Learning Center. We will look at tracks and traces left by rabbits, foxes, deer, bobcat and other Columbia County wildlife!

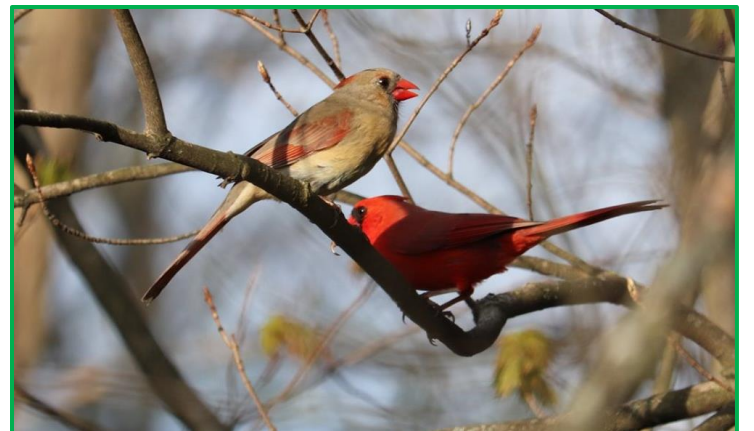


#### Tuesday, January 26<sup>th</sup> - 7 pm

#### Birds of Columbia County and Build a Bird House

#### with Mud Creek Environmental Learning Center

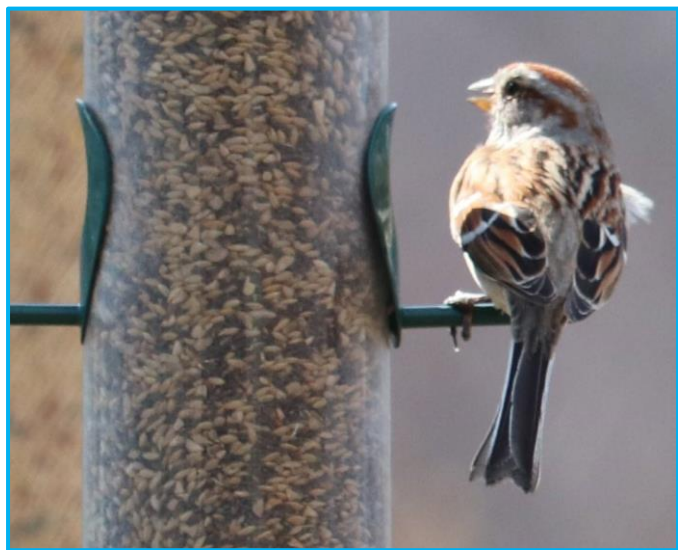
Fluff up your feathers and come explore birds in winter! The winter months are a great time to learn how to identify birds and build a bird house to use come spring. Birding is fun and everyone can enjoy it! New York State's diverse habitats support over 450 different bird species. During the January 26<sup>th</sup> interactive online event, we will learn the basics of bird identification with Pamela Price, Certified Wildlife Biologist and Education Program Coordinator at Mud Creek Environmental Learning Center as well as some of the common birds in Columbia County. We will also provide information on building your own bird house for our feathered friends.



#### Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup> - 7 pm

#### Great Backyard Bird Count and Feeder Making

#### with Mud Creek Environmental Learning Center



The 2021 Great Backyard Bird Count runs from February 12th to February 15th and you can be part of it. Join us for an interactive online event on February 9th as Pamela Price, Certified Wildlife Biologist and Education Program Coordinator at Mud Creek Environmental Learning Center will give a brief talk about putting up a feeder in your yard so you can experience the wonderful birds that visit. And learn about how to participate in the Great Backyard Bird Count where your sightings can help scientists learn more about how birds are doing, so we may protect them and the environment we share. The winter months are a great time for backyard birding, and you can create a bird feeder from recycled materials. Feeding birds in winter is fun and helps birds during the harsh conditions the season brings. Learn about common backyard birds, feeding tips, and ways to attract birds to your property. Create a bird feeder to put up in your yard so you can stay warm inside while watching these beautiful creatures!

#### Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> - 7 pm

#### Owls of Columbia County

#### with Mud Creek Environmental Learning Center

On February 16th Columbia County Soil and Water Conservation District invites you to participate in an interactive online Owl Experience! Learn about all the unique features that make owls owls - their habitats, behavior, and much more. Find out what actions we can take to help protect owl species and their habitats to create a brighter future for our Columbia County owls. We will also dissect an owl pellet during the event. By looking at the contents of the owl pellet we can learn what the owl ate! All are welcome to enjoy this fun family adventure!



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Columbia County Soil and Water Conservation District provides educational programs and services to help residents and communities manage and protect the natural resources of Columbia County. These virtual events are **FREE**, but **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED** – you must pre-register to receive the Zoom login information by contacting Pamela Price by email - [pamela.price@ccswcd.org](mailto:pamela.price@ccswcd.org).



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