

Cadillac Area Land Conservancy



Stepping Stones for Martens

November 1, 2012

7:00 pm

Carl T. Johnson
Hunting and Fishing Center



What a special treat we have in store for you! Wildlife Biologist Chris Schumacher will introduce us to the pine marten at CALC's annual event. Chris is assisting the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and Grand Valley State University with research to determine the size of the population, the habitat needs, and the health of the martens.

Michigan is blessed with significant forest habitat and diverse wildlife populations. Our state's Wildlife Action Plan considers habitat fragmentation one of the biggest threats to wildlife. Urban sprawl and human development can lead to fragmentation or isolation of large blocks of forestland. This can have a negative impact on wildlife, especially on those species requiring large areas of land or specialized habitats. Maintaining these large blocks of habitat and creating and maintaining linkages between them is increasingly important for the future of Michigan's wildlife. Chris's work with the pine marten should tell us more about their particular habitat needs.



Mark your calendars and join us on November 1st for this entertaining and informative program and the chance to meet with fellow CALC members. Visitors welcome.