

Celebrating 26 Years!



AN OUTDOOR SKILLS PROGRAM FOR GIRLS 12-15!

Choose from one of two opportunities:

1. JULY 10-12, 2018 – Hickory Hills County Park-OR

2. AUG. 1-3, 2018 – Clover Woods Camp & Retreat



Outdoor Journey for Girls ("OJ") is a three-day, two-night workshop aimed at introducing outdoor skills to girls ages 12–15 in a supportive, learning environment where they have opportunities to try things "hands-on". The outdoor skills include:

- Canoeing & Water Safety
- Fish & Wildlife ID
- Archery
- Furbearers/Harvesting
- Preparing Your Catch
- Firearm Safety and Basic Shooting
- Conservation and Management
- Fishing at the Lake
- Outdoor Gear & Outdoor Survival
- Orienteering & Compass
- Game Care

*Within the program the girls have the opportunity to become certified in **Iowa's Hunter Education** program.*

OJ instructors are DNR conservation officers, biologists and other personnel, county conservation board naturalists and representatives from other agencies like the Natural Resource Conservation Service and Iowa State University.

OJ began in 1993 with one session; expanded to two in 1995; and now three since 2007, and will return to two sessions this year. It has been featured in Newsweek and Pheasants Forever magazines, and across the state and country on radio, television, and in newspapers. Several states have attended OJ to learn more and possibly start similar programs in their own states. Over 2600 girls have participated---so far. Best of all---everyone from the participants to the mentor/chaperones to the instructors has fun!

Outdoor Journey is sponsored by Iowa Women in Natural Resources and the Iowa DNR, with Iowa Pheasants Forever chapters and other outdoor groups providing full or partial scholarships for most attendees. If you would like more information on OJ, please see the Iowa Women in Natural Resources website <http://www.iwinr.com> , or e-mail jenandthegang@iowatelecom.net . And like us on facebook: Outdoor Journey for Girls.

