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PRESS RELEASE

HOWELL CONFERENCE & NATURE CENTER HOSTS PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOPS

Howell, MI, September 28, 2011 – Photograph live wild birds of prey and mammals at the Howell Conference & Nature Center's Photography Workshops. Instructed by well-known wildlife photographer Steve Gettle, the workshops are on October 22 and October 23, 2011.

Each session begins at 11 a.m. with an hour-long presentation by Steve Gettle with lunch provided. On October 22, Steve will discuss Macro Photography, including special techniques to help with the technical challenges of this type of photography. On October 23, Steve will share tips on where to find wild birds and mammals and how to get closer to them by using baits and calls.

Following the presentation, participants then have several hours to photograph birds of prey and mammals in a beautiful natural setting. The birds are tethered at the edge of a large field, with great attention given to props, perches, and backgrounds.

For more than 25 years, Steve Gettle has spent countless hours creating hundreds of thousands of wildlife photographs. His images have been displayed in galleries and museums all over the world, including the Museum of Natural History in London, England. Numerous books, magazines, and calendars have featured his work, including The National Geographic Society and The National Wildlife Federation. His many awards include Great Lakes Wildlife Photographer of the Year and BBC's Wildlife Photographer of the Year.

Advanced registration is required for the workshops. All skill levels are welcome but please have working knowledge of your equipment. Cost of each workshop is \$60 for shooting participants and \$20 for non-shooting participants. For an additional \$5 fee, participants can take a guided tour of the Nature Center's Wild Wonders Wildlife Park prior to the workshop. Call 517-546-0249 to register.

The Howell Conference & Nature Center provides a comprehensive education, recreation, and wildlife facility to individuals and groups. Owned and operated by the Presbytery of Detroit, the Howell Conference & Nature Center is a non-profit organization funded primarily through private donations, programs, and special events. Visit **www.howellnaturecenter.org** for more information

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