

- World Wetlands Day - February 2nd, 2008 -

# Wet Your Appetite Cuisine for Critters Recipe Contest!

There's a **Bog Bake-Off**, What Will You Make?!

A **Duck** Invited You to a **Potluck** at the **Prairie Pothole**, What Will You Bring?!  
**Cattail Kabobs? Salamander Salsa? Two-fly Pie? You Decide!**

## What to do:

1. Choose a wetland and animal pair from the provided list
2. Create an imaginative recipe (based in fact) written for the chosen animal
  - Recipe should include:
    - Title
    - Materials list – list the ingredients (include measurements) and other supplies needed
    - Directions – in paragraph and command form
    - Number of servings it makes, and cooking times
3. Write an accompanying passage (250 words max)
  - Passage should include:
    - Description of the Ramsar site (where it is located, the types of wetlands associated, when designated, etc.)
    - Details about your animal (behavior, diet, etc.) and why your recipe is appropriate
    - Use at least 3 sources and reference in MLA format

**Eligibility:** Students in grade 8-12 for 2007/2008 school year

**Deadline:** Submissions due Feb 8<sup>th</sup> 2008

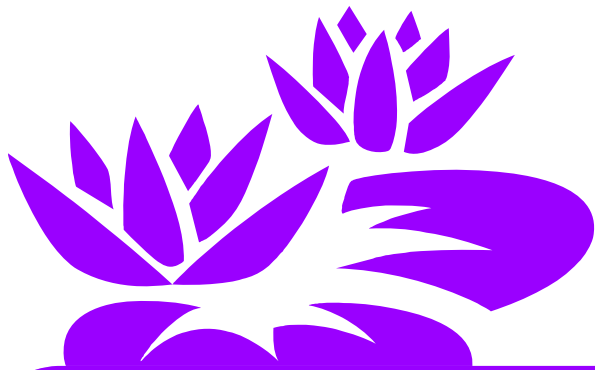
## How to submit:

1. Complete Submission Form
2. Attach Recipe & accompanying passage to form
  - Submissions should be typed, double-spaced, 8.5"x11"
  - Separate pages for recipe and accompanying passage
3. Send to Environmental Concern Inc. by **February 8th, 2008**
  - By Mail – Environmental Concern—"Wet Your Appetite Recipe"  
P.O. Box P, St. Michaels, MD 21663
  - By email to: [educate@wetland.org](mailto:educate@wetland.org)



# 22 Winners!

- ...Will be chosen by educators at Environmental Concern (1 winner per wetland!)
- ...Will be published in the 1st Annual **Wet Your Appetite: Cuisine for Critters Cookbook** and receive 2 copies of the cookbook! (1 for you and 1 for your school)



### What is World Wetlands Day?

On **February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1971**, nations of the world came together to sign The Convention on Wetlands (also known as the Ramsar Convention, named after the city in which it was signed), which provides the support for nations for the conservation and wise use of wetlands and their resources. There are now over 150 countries that are part of the Ramsar Convention, with over 1500 wetlands designated and protected as "wetlands of international importance."

There are currently **22 Wetlands of International Importance in the United States**. Scattered throughout the nation from Hawaii to New Jersey, these important wetlands represent the rich diversity of habitats from salt marshes that fringe the eastern and southern coasts to prairie potholes which dot the mid-west landscape.

Another major goal of the Convention is to promote education and awareness of wetlands close to home and around the world. Join us in that effort by getting to know the US wetlands of international importance and the critters that call them home!

To learn more about "Wetlands of International Importance," Ramsar, or World Wetlands Day go to [www.ramsarcommittee.us](http://www.ramsarcommittee.us) and [www.ramsar.org](http://www.ramsar.org)