

The Environmental Resource Center (ERC) Inventory Within the Pond Cove Elementary Media Center

What is the ERC?

The ERC is a place for you to find materials and supplies that will help you do nature-related and outdoor education with your students! All items have been donated to Pond Cove by the Cape Elizabeth Land Trust.

Where is the ERC?

Currently the ERC is located on two red shelves, in a closet in the back front corner of the library, next to the offices. There is a brass plaque sign next to its door. The closet also contains various pieces of AV equipment that you may need to move out to reach the two specific ERC shelves on the right side of the closet. *We're working on making the ERC more accessible! Stay tuned for potential location changes!*

What will I find in the ERC?

An incredible variety of educational materials. A complete inventory is included here. To give you some examples: 22 binoculars, a variety of nets, quality laminated posters about wildlife in Maine, a walrus tusk, a full deer pelt, teacher nature activity guides, copies of CELT mini-grant applications...and more! Read through the complete inventory to see all of the supplies at your educational disposal.

How do I take something out of the ERC?

The door should always be unlocked. Go in and grab the items you would like and bring them to the librarian. Most have bar codes that you can scan and check out. If there is no bar code, please leave your name, classroom number and a description of what you borrowed so that we can keep track of the items.

How can I request more information about the ERC, or something in it?

Contact Linden Rayton, the Education Coordinator for CELT:
linden@capelandtrust.org or 767-6054. Happy trails!



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The Inventory

Animal Items

- 1 leather suitcase (filled with:)
 - 1 crocodile skin boot
 - 1 sea turtle skin boot
 - 1 walrus tusk (1.5' long, can see dried blood vessels at end)
 - 1 monitor lizard skin loafer
 - 1 Tegu lizard skin boot (lizard native to South America)
 - 1 Tegu lizard skin hide
 - 1 box of 17 preserved beetle specimens (cicada, rhinoceros, etc.)
 - 1 leather belt
 - 1 carved ostrich egg
 - 5 preserved butterflies in 1 box
 - 2 packets Chinese medicinal musk deer antler "plaster"
 - 1 packet Chinese medicinal musk deer antler and leopard bone "plaster"
 - 1 cactus wood rain stick
 - 1 seal skin and bone curio
 - 1 black coral necklace
 - 1 Burmese python passport cover
 - 2 mother-of-pearl shell bracelets
- 1 full deer pelt (enormous! In own box)
- Coyote, fishercat and raccoon pelts (in one box)
- Box o' random: Horseshoe crab molt, squirrel skull, seed case
- 2 unknown animal pelts, 2 deer antlers (in WB Mason box)
- Long-eared Owl wing and feathers (in one box)
- 30-50 Owl pellets
- 1 preserved caiman specimen
- 1 spitting cobra snake specimen
- 1 box with snake skin samples
- 1 mounted rabbit skeleton
- 1 bag of marine snail egg cases
- 1 deer skull with attached antlers
- 1 beaver-chewed log

Supplies

- 22 binoculars
- 10 hand-held large nets
- 2 white plastic trays (2.5" H x 13.25" L x 10" W)
- Pond Unit Study Supplies Box:
 - 10 small dip nets (12" long, net 4" deep x 4" wide)
 - 10 medium dip nets (12" long, net 10" deep, 8" wide)
 - 5 assembled plankton tows
 - 6 unassembled plankton tows
 - 15 orange sample boxes
 - 30 very thorough guides to pond wildlife (too thorough for young readers)
- 10 collection buckets
- 7 magnifying glasses (1 handheld, 6 to eyes)
- 1 clipboard
- 1 tick ID bookmark
- 15 pens in a mug
- 1 roll of CELT stickers

Posters

- 9 laminated posters, of:
 - Vernal Pools of Maine
 - Mammals of Maine
 - Turtles of Maine
 - Monarch Life Cycle
 - Snakes of Maine
 - Owl Food Chain and Digestion
 - "Flute's Journey" storybook
 - accompaniment poster of U.S.

Games/Kits

- "What Crop Is It?" Education Kit (Has many bagged samples of different seed crops)
- "Leaf and Seed Games" Education Kit (Bagged samples of 20 real seeds and leaves with instructions for 8 games)
- Windows on the Wild: Wildlife for Sale Education Guide (large binder with activities)
- 4 Nature Scavenger Hunts

Games/Kits cont.

Bug Bingo (this looks fun!)
Audio Animal calls box (not working:
Frogs, some birds on Yard Birds One)
Tracking ID cards box- contains 9
lanyards with laminated track ID
cards
4 Thermometers
Tree ID cards paper bag- 11 sets of
tree ID cards
46 Bird ID cards
2 Mineral Study Kits

Guide Books

7 DeLorme Maine Gazetteers
5 National Audubon Soc. First Field
Guide: Trees*
26 Forest Trees of Maine, by the
Maine Forest Service
Forest Trees of Maine, Centennial
Edition, by Maine Forest Service
National Audubon Soc. Field Guide to
New England
Scats and Tracks of the Northeast- A
Falcon Guide
2 Golden Guides to Pond Life*
Pond Life Guide, by Gerald Cox
2 The Ferry Beach Field Guide
Peterson's First Guide to Mammals*
Peterson's First Guide to Caterpillars*
Springsigns, by Gerald Cox*
2 Life on Intertidal Rocks Pocket
Guide
Critters of New England Pocket Guide*
*Suitable for young readers

Picture/Children's Books

Tree of Life: The Incredible
Biodiversity of Life on Earth
Pass the Energy, Please!
2 Life on Earth: The Story of Evolution
The Watershed Journey of Linus Loon
A Drop Around the World
Flute's Journey
Everybody's Somebody's Lunch
The Salamander Room

Snowflake Bentley
My Monarch Journal
A New Friend for Morganfield: A Story
of a Maine Mouse (with audiotape)

Children's Reference Books

American Forests
American Prairies
American Deserts
American Mountains and Canyons
American Swamps and Wetlands
2 From Seed to Plant
Crafts for Kids Who are Wild about
Rainforests
Raptor! A Kid's Guide to Birds of Prey
2 Monarch Magic! Butterfly Activities
and Nature Discoveries

Adult Books

Natural Landscapes of Maine: A Guide
to Natural Communities and
Ecosystems
Maine Citizen's Guide to
Locating and Documenting Vernal
Pools
Secrets of Ponds and Lakes
Secrets of Rivers and Streams
North American Owls Biology and
Natural History
Maine Amphibians and Reptiles
Maine's Threatened and Endangered
Wildlife
2 Maine Tree Club Resource Guide
The Little Book of Snowflakes (art
book)
The Snowflake- Winter's Secret
Beauty
2 NatureCraft: Look What I did with a
Leaf!
Scienceworks: 65 Experiments That
Introduce Fun and Wonder of Science
2 Green Teacher magazines
11 Maine Fish and Wildlife Magazines:
2005-2007

Curriculum Guides

The ABC's of Ecology (an excellent resource)
3 CELT 4th Grade Robinson Woods Nature Journal
Sharing Nature with Children
Fun with Nature Take-Along Guide (has some fun activities)
Science Wizardry for Kids
Bottle Biology (biology using soda bottles!)
The Science Book, by Sara Stein
Hands-On Nature, by the Vermont Institute of Natural Science
Teaching Green: The Elementary Years
Science through Children's Literature, by Carol and John Butzow
Greening School Grounds: Creating Habits for Learning
Play Again kit (1 DVD, 1 postcard, 1 Activities for Educators)
Maine Environmental Education Guide: A Resource for Maine Educators

Video Media

Clean Water: Sebago Lake to Casco Bay
Robinson Woods Winter Walk DVD