

On Saturday, March 6, EAGLE program coordinator Diane Day presented a children's program based on the book *The Perfect Nest* by Catherine Friend at the Ionia Public Library. *The Perfect Nest* is a funny story about a cat who wants an omelet for breakfast, so he builds an elaborate nest to attract the perfect bird to lay the perfect egg for his omelet; however, the eggs hatch and leave the cat with other plans. Parents and children had fun acting out the story. The children played the parts of the eggs hatching in the nest and some of the mothers played the parts of the three mother birds in the story. The children learned about how birds build their nests and practiced imitating the songs of several common birds. Every child received a free book and decorated a pillow case to take home. This EAGLE program is free and will be presented at several Chickasaw county libraries over the next 3 weeks. You do not need to pre-register to attend the program and siblings are welcome to attend with their families. The EAGLE program is made possible by the Empowerment Project of Floyd, Mitchell and Chickasaw counties. For information about when this program will be held at your local library, contact Diane Day at the Chickasaw County Extension office at 641-394-2174 or by email at [eaglepro@iastate.edu](mailto:eaglepro@iastate.edu).