

Americans Committed to Conservation

It's not just about birds! We encourage all who have an interest in nature and the quality of our environment to become members of the National Audubon Society and of our local chapter, the Fond du Lac County Audubon Society. Your support of the national organization helps to promote action and programs on the national level and pays for your subscription to Audubon magazine, published bimonthly.

Membership in our county chapter helps support local educational programs and habitat restoration in our own area. You'll receive the local chapter newsletter, *The Heron* (published bimonthly) and all chapter benefits. Details of meetings, field trips, work projects, and special events are included, as well as information on local, state and national environmental issues.

All members are asked to join or renew through the local chapter. If the member is also joining the national organization, part of the dues will be sent to the National Audubon Society. Please refer to the membership form in this brochure.



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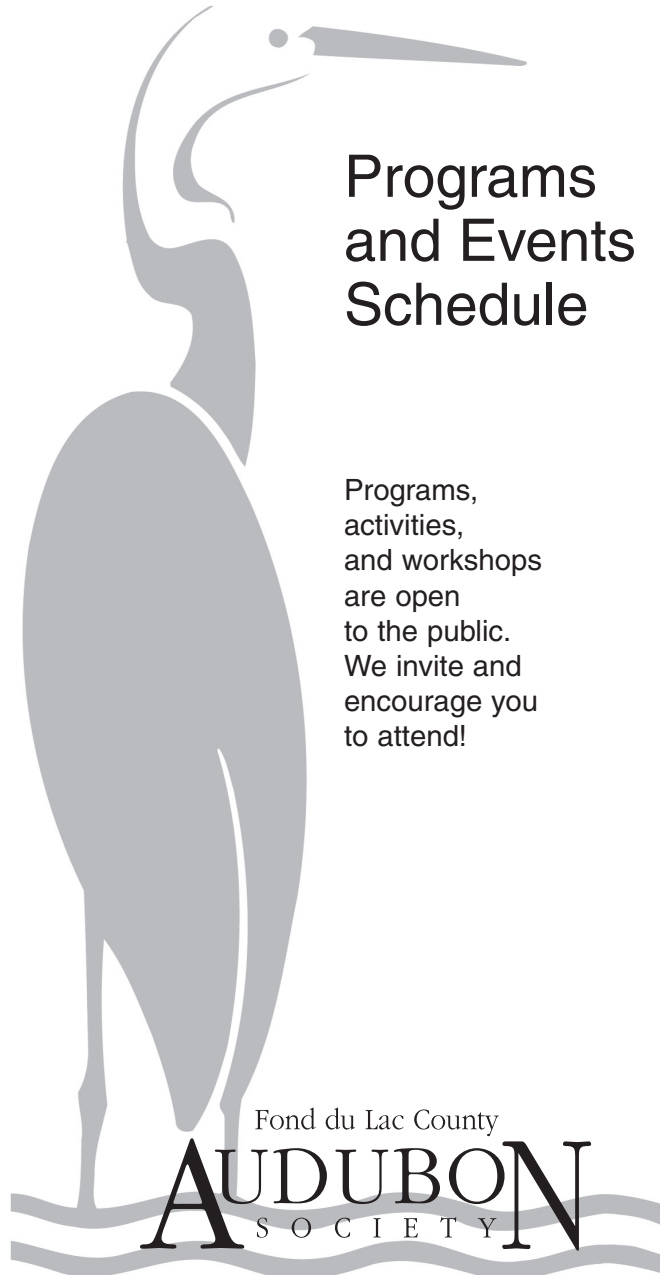
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Visit us on the web:

www.fdlaudubon.org

2015-2016



Programs and Events Schedule

Programs, activities, and workshops are open to the public. We invite and encourage you to attend!

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Membership

- Yes!** I want to become a member or renew my membership to the National Audubon Society, and the Fond du Lac County Chapter. The annual membership dues of \$40 entitle me to six issues of the Audubon magazine, and all local chapter benefits. I am enclosing a check payable to Fond du Lac County Audubon.
- I am only interested in being a member and supporting the programs of the Fond du Lac County Audubon. The annual local membership dues of \$20 entitle me to receive the chapter newsletter and all chapter benefits. I am enclosing a check payable to Fond du Lac County Audubon.

Name _____

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City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Mail this form with payment to:

Fond du Lac County Audubon
Membership Services
N5545 Winnvue Court
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PROGRAMS AND EVENTS SCHEDULE

2015- 2016

Fall

Wednesday, September 9, 5 pm

Wild Feast Potluck and Edible Insects

Lakeside Park, Denevue Creek Shelter
Our season kicks off with a potluck. Participants bring a dish made from wild plants, although conventional food is fine, too. A short presentation will be given on eating insects. There will be a couple of entrées that include insects, giving you a chance to taste some insect food if you are willing and adventurous.

Sat. and Sun., September 19 & 20, 7 am

Jaeger Festival

Superior
We will set up an area with a spotting scope to enhance views of these gull-like birds and other migrants. AmySheldon3870@yahoo.com

Saturday, October 3, 9 am-noon

Bird Seed Sale

Stuart's Landscaping, N7820 Lakeshore Drive
Order in advance; limited amount for drive-up purchase. 143dance@charter.net

Tues., Oct. 6 and Wed., Oct. 21, 7:15 pm

Saw-whet Owl Banding

Linwood Springs Research Station
Stevens Point

Learn about and see these owls up close and be part of their release. \$15.
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Saturday, October 10, 10-11 am

A FUN FAMILY PROGRAM

LIVE Birds of Prey

Theisen Middle School Auditorium
See live birds including owls, red-tailed hawk, American kestrel, or peregrine falcons. Discover how unique eyesight, hearing, and flight adaptations of raptors make them successful hunters. AvesWildlife.org

Sunday, October 11, 6 am-7 pm

The Big Sit

Lakeside Park, Fond du Lac
Tally the birds you see in a specific amount of time. Pledges are solicited before the event. This is a great fundraiser and contribution to citizen science that is taking place worldwide. AmySheldon3870@yahoo.com

Saturday, October 17, 9 am to 1 pm

Lizard Mound County Park

West Bend area
Lizard Mound Park offers one of the largest and most diverse groups of effigy mounds in Wisconsin. Join Dwight Weiser and Glen Oechsner for a tour of the 26 mounds. Stetter@Centurytel.net

Sunday, November 1, 10 am

Birds in Art

Leigh Yawkey Art Museum, Wausau
This internationally renowned 40th annual exhibition celebrates avian marvels through fresh interpretations in original paintings, sculptures, and graphics. AmySheldon3870@yahoo.com

Wednesday, November 11, 7 pm

Fall and Winter Birding in Wisconsin

MPTC, Room O-104
Find out from Tom Schultz, illustrator for field guides and active birder, where you can discover unique birds in the off-season.

Winter

Wednesday, December 9, 7 pm

Horicon Marsh Management

MPTC, Room O-104
Migratory birds need a variety of habitats for feeding, courtship, and nesting. Many other species of wildlife also benefit from prescribed fire, water level management and invasive species control at Horicon Marsh. Join Erin Railsback from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to learn more.



Saturday, December 12, 1-3 pm

Santa's Workshop for the Birds

W3870 Bittersweet Lane, Fond du Lac
Come enjoy an afternoon of cookies, cocoa, and creativity, while constructing a bird house or a feeder. Learn about proper nest box maintenance and bird feeding. Bring a child! \$5. AmySheldon3870@yahoo.com

Date and time to be announced

Christmas Bird Count

David.Sehloff@gmail.com

Wednesday, January 13, 7 pm

Flying for the DNR

MPTC, Room O-104
Join Beverly Paulan to hear about adventures combining love of nature with flying.

Date and time to be announced

Winter Adventure at Kiekhaefer Park

Snowshoe or cross-country ski with the Jewetts.

Wednesday, February 10, 7 pm

Bring Back the Pollinators

MPTC, Room O-104
Whether a gardener, farmer, beekeeper, or just interested, come learn what you can do for pollinators. Plan to build and take home a simple bee nest to start building pollinator habitat in your community. Carrie Caselton Lowe, an ecologist and organic farmer, will be presenting information from the Xerces Society.

Wednesday, March 9, 7 pm

Birding in Wisconsin

MPTC, Room O-104
Find out about the best local places to enjoy your birding experiences and what birds you may find there. Spring also offers both beginning and experienced birders the opportunity to bird together on one of the many organized bird counts, festivals or conventions.

Spring

Wednesday, April 13, 7 pm

Organic Gardening and Farming

MPTC, Room O-104
Nicole from The Good Earth Farm will share information on the basics of growing organically.

Date to be Announced, 5:30-7:30 am

Midwest Annual Crane Count

David.Sehloff@gmail.com

Date in April to be announced

Prairie Chicken Courtship

near Stevens Point
From a blind, watch the courtship dance and the boom of the male prairie chicken's inflatable yellow neck sacs. AmySheldon3870@yahoo.com

Friday-Saturday, May 6 and 7

International Migratory Bird Event

Details to come at www.fldaudubon.org
Across the Americas, bird events are scheduled in order to bring awareness of migratory birds.

Wednesday, May 11, 7 pm

Journey of 1,000 Lifers

MPTC, Room O-104
Join Bill Volkert, former naturalist and educator for the DNR, as he shares photos and stories of his wife Connie's and his trip around the world to discover 1,000 new life birds. (A life bird is one that the birder is identifying for the first time).

Wednesday, May 18, noon-4:30 pm

Audubon's Birds of America Exhibition

Paine Art Center and Gardens, Oshkosh
See original first-edition, large-format prints from John James Audubon's iconic and beloved series. Afterward, see flowers in the Paine gardens. Fee. Stetter@Centurytel.net

Summer

Weekly throughout the Summer

Summer Hikes with Audubon

Explore local wild areas and parks.
Details will be available in late spring on the website and in the summer newsletter.

