#### **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 quarterly), 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.



Submit articles to evelyn@mcleancowan.com

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

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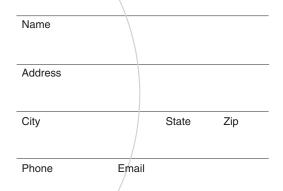
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#### Membership

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.



Mail this form with payment to:

Fond du Lac County Audubon Membership Services N5545 Winnvue Court Fond du Lac, WI 54937

# PROGRAMS AND EVENTS SCHEDULE 2019

#### Fall

#### Wednesday, September 5, 5 pm Wild Feast Potluck

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. Dinner at 5:30 pm.

#### Saturday, September 29, 9 am Crane Foundation Field Trip

Baraboo

At the only place on earth to see all 15 of the world's crane species, enjoy a guided tour and take a hike on nature trails. \$7/person. Carpool from the southwest corner of the Fleet Farm parking lot at 9 am. Tour is at 11 am. Return by 3:30 pm.

#### Saturday, October 6, 9 am-noon Fall Bird Seed Sale

Haentze Floral Company 658 Fond du Lac Avenue Order in advance; limited amount for drive-uppurchase. 143dance@charter.net

#### Wednesday, October 10, 7 pm Yardening with Mother Nature

MPTC, Room O-102

Margaret Mary Gerhard, environmentalist, teacher, and artistic recycler, will give a lively presentation on the marriage of your yard and garden! Develop a more eco-friendly, edible landscape that is safe, sensible, and water-wise.

#### Saturday, November 3, 9 am-1 pm Urban Wildlife Workshop

Fond du Lac Public Library, McLane Room Back by popular demand, David Drake, UW-Madison Professor and Extension Wildlife Specialist, will share urban wildlife trends; identification; practices to create, enhance, and maintain urban wildlife habitat; and how to develop a wildlife management plan. Co-sponsored by Fond du Lac Audubon, the Gottfried Prairie & Arboretum, and the Library.

#### Winter

## Thursday, December 6, 6-8 pm Community Shopping Night

Just Fare Market, Peebles

Purchase unique gifts, coffee, chocolate, and other fair trade items. Just Fare Market will donate 15% of total sales to Audubon during those hours. This is a great way to contribute to both Audubon and the social justice movement encompassed by Just Fare Market.

#### Wednesday, December 12, 7 pm Snowy Owls and Project Snowstorm

MPTC. Room O-104

Gene Jacobs, President of Raptor Services, will give a presentation on snowy owls and the tracking of their annual movements.

## Wednesday, January 9, 7 pm Dynamics of Lake Winnebago Algal Blooms

MPTC, Room O-104

Dr. Marcel Dijkstra, Professor of Environmental Engineering, will discuss seasonal dynamics in lakes, relating stratification, wind mixing, and oxygen levels near the sediments to algal growth, followed by a discussion of dynamics observed in disturbed ecosystems.

#### Saturday, January 19, 1 pm Snowshoe at Kiekhaefer Park

Enjoy winter scenery. Limited snowshoes available courtesy of Attitude Sports. Weather-dependent.

#### Saturday, February 2, 9 am-noon Winter Bird Seed Sale

Haentze Floral Company
658 Fond du Lac Avenue
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#### Wednesday, February 13, 7 pm Birding in Ecuador

MPTC, Room O-103/104

Jeff Baughman, an active birder for 40 years, will share information and photos from a tour he led to Ecuador. This tiny country, with 1600 species of birds, offers more bird diversity in less space than any other country in the world!

#### *Friday, March 1, 1 pm* Aquaponics Field Trip

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At Nelson and Pade Aquaponics, see how fish and plants are grown together in one integrated, soilless, commercial, sustainable, yearround farming system. \$10/person. Meet at southwest end of Menards parking lot at 11:30 am to form carpool. Return by 3:15 pm.

## Wednesday, March 13, 7 pm Pruning for Trees or Wildlife

MPTC, Room O-104

Kevin Hamm, ISA Board Certified Master Arborist, will present information on proper tree pruning techniques for various scenarios with considerations given for wildlife.



#### **Spring**

#### Wednesday, April 10, 7 pm Aerial Predators

MPTC, Room O-103/104

Rebecca Weiss, Licensed Wildlife Rehabilitator and Founder of Aves Wildlife Alliance, will give a presentation on raptors. Learn how they work for us and what makes them different from usual backyard birds. Enjoy an opportunity to see a live owl, hawk, and falcon up close.

## Friday, May 3-Saturday, May 4 International Migratory Bird Event

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

#### Wednesday, May 8, 7 pm Aldo Leopold Was for the Birds

MPTC, Room O-103/104

Stan Temple, Professor Emeritus in Conservation, will review Aldo Leopold's love of birds and birding. Leopold faithfully recorded many of his bird observations, providing important historical records that allow understanding on how birds are responding to such environmental factors as climate change.

## Saturday, May 18, 6 pm Pontoon Boat Birding Adventure

Horicon Marsh.

Two-hour, narrated birding tour through the marsh. \$22/person. Meet at the southwest corner of the Fleet Farm parking lot to form a carpool for the 30-minute drive to Blue Heron Landing in Horicon. Limited to 24 people. Reserve your spot: 920.922.7931 or Dianahbeck@gmail.com.

#### 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.