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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Craig Kruse

Hello, it's been a little while. I hope you had a good summer; I sure did. I've been doing some trail running the past few months, and for a week in August my mom and dad treated the family to a week vacation at a cabin on a lake in Minnesota. It was a great time. discovered Rice Lake on my first full day there. Rice Lake is a National Wildlife Refuge about eight miles south of McGregor, Minnesota. It is the home of wolves, bears, fox and a ton of birds. I hear it's a great place for birding during migration. I wasn't lucky enough to see a bear or a wolf, and believe me -- I tried to spot one. I did get to see about seventy-seven species of birds, a fox, beaver and five river otters. It was pretty cool. It's a modernized area, complete with hiking trails, narrow roads, boat landing and a observation platform. Of my seven-day stay, I spent four mornings there and enjoyed every minute of it. I think it would be a great place for one of our spring trips.

Our September pot luck starts a new year for Dubuque Audubon. We've got some great things lined up for you in the upcoming year.



Saturday, September 30th, the Dubuque Audubon Society is helping the Northwest Illinois Audubon Society and others sponsor a **Carrie Newcomer concert in Freeport, Illinois.** If you haven't heard of her, check her out. She's a very talented musician, and it'll be a fun-filled night. Details can be found in the calendar section of the



By now *migration* should be full underway. With all of the interesting sightings, we've had in lowa this year, something rare just may be coming through soon. If you can stop by E.B. Lyons for the potluck, we'd love to see you there. If you can't make it, we'll see you in the field.

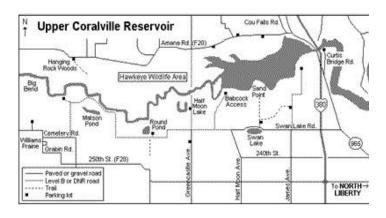




Pelican Festival to again be held at Coralville Lake

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The annual Pelican Festival will again be held at Hawkeye Wildlife Area on upper Coralville Reservoir. The date is set for Sunday, September 10, 11 AM to 4 PM. Hawkeye Wildlife Area is located at 2564 Amana Road NW, Swisher, IA, 1/2 mile west of junction with Iowa Hwy. 965.



American White Pelicans may be viewed with binoculars or spotting scopes from the shoreline, with help from birdwatching volunteers. Iowa's major reservoirs, including Coralville Lake, are major stopover sites for pelican rest and feeding while on fall migration to the Gulf of Mexico. Displays of conservation organizations and nature-related vendors will be featured, plus speakers with programs about pelicans and other aspects of local nature. Food and cold drinks will be available for purchase.



This annual free public event is hosted by Iowa DNR, US Army Corps of Engineers, Iowa Audubon, Cedar Rapids Audubon and the Iowa City Bird Club. For additional information or questions, email Doug Harr at: iowaaudubon@gmail.com.

Dubuque Audubon Fall Potluck

Sept 14th, 6:00PM at EB Lyons
Interpretive Center, 8991
Bellevue Hts, Dubuque, IA. Bring
your own beverage, table service,
and a dish to share. Come early
to walk the near by trails or sit in
the bird observation room.



OFFICERS & BOARD MEMBERS

If you have any questions or comments, please contact us!

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PILEATED DRUMMINGS







Thursday September 7th	Jelly Night	6:30PM - 8:00PM Hurstville Interpretive Center, 18670 63rd Street, Maquoketa, IA. Learn to make jelly from foraged food with local foodie Jenny Meyer! This make-and-take workshop will make a great gift or sweet treat at home! This month will feature Elderberry and Queen Ann's Lace.
Sunday September 10th	Pelican Festival	11:00AM - 4:00PM at Hawkeye Wildlife Area, 2564 Amana Rd NW, Swisher, IA 52338. Celebrate the American White Pelican. Educational programs, exhibitors and food vendors are available. See article elsewhere for specifics.
Tuesday September 12th	Hike Hamilton Prairie	5:30PM - 7:00PM Hurstville Interpretive Center, 18670 63rd Street, Maquoketa, IA. Celebrate Iowa Prairie Heritage Week by hiking privately owned prairie remnant. Local prairie enthusiast Ray Hamilton will give us a tour of his prairie, giving a history of the land and highlighting rare species growing abundantly on the property. See Hurstville's website for the directions and phone number to place your reservation.
Thursday September 14th	Dubuque Audubon Fall Potluck	6:00PM at EB Lyons Interpretive Center, 8991 Bellevue Hts, Dubuque, IA. Bring your own beverage, table service, and a dish to share. Come early to walk the near by trails or sit in the bird observation room.
Saturday September 16th	Butterfly Event	9:00AM - 3:00PM Hurstville Interpretive Center 18670 63rd Street, Maquoketa, IA. Learn more about butterflies and pollinators with Jackson County Master Gardeners, Jackson County Conservation Naturalists and "The Butterfly Lady" Rhonda Brady! Check their website for more information.
Sunday September 17th	Whitewater Volunteer Field Day	9:00AM - 12:00PM Hosted by Swiss Valley Nature Center, 13606 Swiss Valley Rd, Peosta, Iowa. Whitewater Canyon is one of three true canyons in Iowa. Lend a hand to preserve and restore the unique flora, fauna, and wildlife to this area. The activities include tagging monarch butterflies, removing unwanted brush from the prairie, connecting two trails by making a new hiking trail, and more! Call 563-556-6745 to register. PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU'RE COMING IN ORDER FOR US TO PLAN ACCORDINGLY!
Saturday September 30th	Carrie Newcomer Concert	2:00PM—4:00PM Highland Community College, Freeport, Illinois. Sponsored by Northwest Illinois Audubon Society (and cosponsored by Dubuque Audubon Society among others), this free concert titled "A Gathering of Spirits And A Festival of Friends" requests RSVPs (ticket reservation) at Eventbrite.com. Doors open at 1 PM.

Dubuque Audubon Society

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DUBUQUE AUDUBON SOCIETY

NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

If you are a member of National Audubon Society, you are automatically a member of the local Audubon Society and do not need to sign-up separately.

Do NOT use this form to renew a membership in National Audubon Society. Use the form mailed to you by the National Audubon. There are two categories of memberships in the Dubuque Audubon Society.

CATEGORY A: This category includes membership in National Audubon Society and the local chapter. You will receive 6 issues of <u>Audubon Magazine</u> and 9 issues of the local chapter newsletter, <u>Pileated Drummings</u>.

National Audubon Society Free Membership INTRODUCTORY ONLY – FIRST TIME MEMBERS ONLY

CATEGORY B: This category of membership is local chapter only. You will receive 9 issues of the local chapter

newsletter, <u>Pileated Drummings</u>. All funds will remain with the local chapter. Membership year is from July to June.

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