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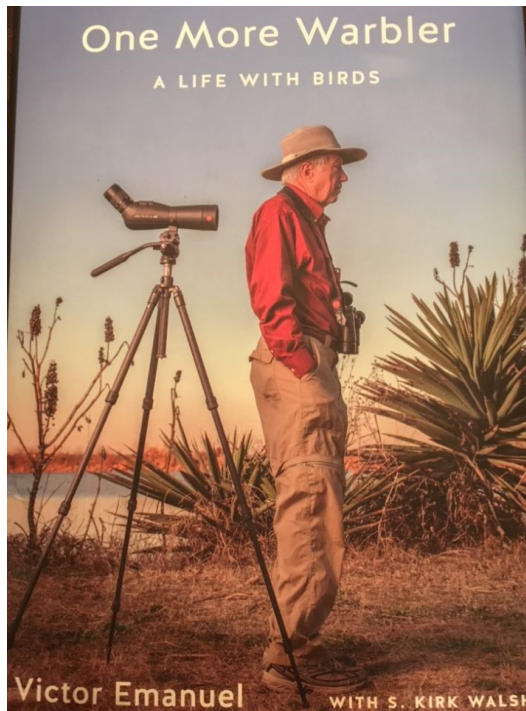
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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Craig Kruse

One thing I love to do besides birding is reading. As my brother knew this, he got me a copy of Victor Emanuel's autobiography, One More Warbler.



It's a great book, and I highly recommend it. If you don't know who Victor Emanuel is, don't feel bad. I didn't either. He's a legendary birder who has seen more than six thousand species worldwide, and his adventures have taken him to every continent. That's what this book is, a memoir of his birding adventures. If you read a

copy, I think you'd enjoy it. The writing flows, and the descriptions of his sightings make you feel like you were there with him at the time it happened. Among other things in it, he talks about the sighting of an Eskimo Curlew (long thought to be extinct), looking for Imperial Woodpeckers and setting an all-time record for the Christmas Bird Count. There are also guest appearances by a lot of his mentors, including Roger Tory Peterson. It is a fun read that I can't recommend highly enough.

Mark your calendars for March 10th, the date of our annual Duck Waddle. If you haven't been to one, then you're missing out. We meet at Banworth & Udelhoven at 6:00 that morning and drive to Green Island together. There, we spend the morning observing waterfowl and other species of birds as they migrate through the area. It's a fun day, and there is always something exciting to see. I remember one year, just as we were starting down the main road of Green island, the sun started to rise and silhouetted a Great Horned Owl sitting at the top of a tree by the side of the road. Of course, my camera was in the back of the car and I didn't get a picture, but I still remember it like it happened yesterday. So, hopefully, we'll see you there. Until then we'll see you in the field.

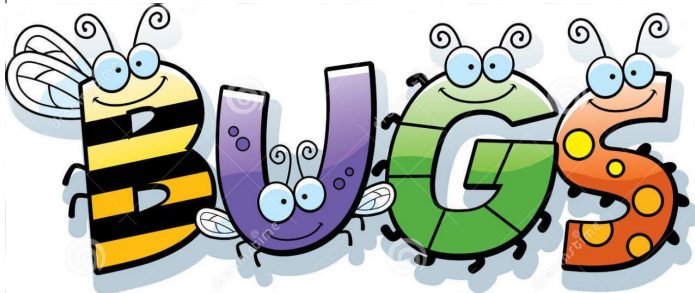




MARCH PROGRAM : Invertebrates - The Life of A Bug

With Jennifer Drayna

The Dubuque Audubon Society will host Jennifer Drayna from the National Mississippi River Museum and Aquarium on **Thursday evening March 8, 2018**. The program will start at **6:00 p.m.** and will be held at the E. B. Lyons Interpretive Center located at 8991 Bellevue Hts, Dubuque Iowa.



The program “**Invertebrates – The Life of A Bug**” will enlighten and inform all about insects. Invertebrates, or animals without a backbone, are the most common type of animal on the planet. They often are misunderstood and thought of as creepy. These small animals are incredibly important for pollination, decomposition and pest control. Learn about some of their amazing adaptations while meeting a few live animals up close and personal!

Jennifer Drayna is the Education Outreach Coordinator at the National Mississippi River Museum and Aquarium. She has spent the past decade as a naturalist and animal trainer where she had the privilege of working with many education animals including falcons, eagles and a porcupine. In her spare time, she coaches a local swim team and volunteers with the International Avian Trainer Certification Board and Midwest Peregrine Society.



Annual Duck Waddle

Join the fun in our annual spring duck and waterfowl count on **Saturday, March 10th**. This is great for beginning birders to learn from seasoned bird watchers and for people wanting to freshen their waterfowl identification. See Calendar for details.



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DUBUQUE AUDUBON SOCIETY CALENDAR OF EVENTS



MARCH 2018


NOTE OUR PROGRAM TIME CHANGE TO 6PM.

<p>March 4th Sunday</p>	<p>Mines of Spain Winter Program: MUSSELS</p>	<p>1:00PM EB Lyons Interpretive Center, 8991 Bellevue Hts, Dubuque. Join presenter Jared McGovern for this fun interactive presentation for all ages. As partners, the National Mississippi River Museum and Aquarium and the Genoa National Fish Hatchery have devised a way to effectively engage our students and our community in a hopeful conservation message sprinkled with a hefty dose of realism by flexing our mussels!</p>
<p>March 8th Thursday</p>	<p>DUBUQUE AUDUBON PROGRAM - INVERTEBRATES: THE LIFE OF A BUG</p>	<p>EB Lyons Interpretive Center, 8991 Bellevue Hts, Dubuque. 5:00PM– Dubuque Audubon Society Board Meeting 6:00PM– Jennifer Drayna, the Education Outreach Coordinator at the National Mississippi River Museum and Aquarium, will present a program about the most common type of animal on the planet. Invertebrates often are misunderstood and thought of as creepy. These small animals are incredibly important for pollination, decomposition and pest control. Learn about some of their amazing adaptations while meeting a few <u>live</u> animals up close and personal!</p>
<p>March 10th Saturday</p>	<p>ANNUAL DUCK WADDLE</p>	<p>6:00AM - meet at Banworth and Udelhoven Furniture parking lot, junction of US 61/151 and US 52. We will leave promptly at 6:00AM and drive to Green Island Wildlife Area to observe the spring migration of waterfowl. Dress warmly. It's always cold down there! After our adventure we may have breakfast at the Riverview Café in Bellevue, IA, to compile our list and share stories of bird adventures.</p>
<p>March 24th Saturday</p>	<p>EASTERN BLUEBIRD PROGRAM</p>	<p>10:00-12:00PM Swiss Valley Nature Center, 13606 Swiss Valley Rd, Peosta. Learn about the plight of the eastern bluebird. We will discuss their habitat and what struggles this beautiful bird faces in it's nesting attempts. Help the bluebird by building your very own bluebird house to take home. Dubuque County Conservation Society will provide all material needed. Participants must bring a hammer and drill. One house per family. Must pre-register by calling 563-556-6745. Stick around after the workshop for some delicious chili thanks to the Conservation Society!</p>
<p>April 12th Thursday</p>	<p>DUBUQUE AUDUBON PROGRAM: Spring in the Downunder of Southeastern Australia & Tasmania</p>	<p>EB Lyons Interpretive Center, 8991 Bellevue Hts, Dubuque. 5:00PM— Dubuque Audubon Society Board Meeting 6:00PM— Spring in the Downunder of Southeastern Australia & Tasmania. Maggie O'Connell & Sandy Walton will present photos of the variety of bird species and will discuss the issues facing this region.</p>

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The mission of Dubuque Audubon Society is to provide educational opportunities to the people of the tri-state area and to preserve the natural habitat of birds and other wildlife.

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 Audubon Magazine and 9 issues of the local chapter newsletter, Pileated Drummings.

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CATEGORY B: This category of membership is local chapter only. You will receive 9 issues of the local chapter newsletter, Pileated Drummings. All funds will remain with the local chapter. Membership year is from July to June.

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