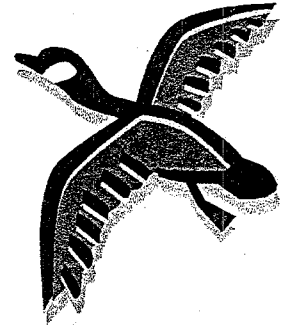


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RACINE—KENOSHA, WI
September, 2002

UPCOMING HOY EVENTS

Thurs, Sept 5 at 7 PM

Wildflower hike at 6:15 PM

“Stan Rosenstiel presents Birds of Florida”

“Janet L. Huie presents Lyme disease and Birds”

River Bend Nature Center, 3600 N Green Bay Rd, Racine

Your newsletter editor will show slides and share other information regarding birds of southeast Florida. I went as far south as Miami and up to 100 miles north of there. Purple gallinules and least terns and limpkins are easily seen.

Janet L. Huie, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Biology at Carthage College will give a 5 to 10 minute presentation on her research and interests. She is investigating potential sites at Chiswaukee Prairie and in Bristol for bird banding stations. Her research is on the role of birds in the spread of Lyme disease, specifically by removing ticks from birds, and analyzing for the strain of Lyme bacteria carried. Come learn how you can volunteer.

Refreshments will be served. Bird identification slides will be shown.

Thurs, October 3 at 7 PM

‘Birds Without Borders-Aves Sin Fronteras’
with Vicki Piaskowski

River Bend Nature Center 3600 N Green Bay Rd, Racine

Birds Without Borders - Aves Sin Fronteras is a five-year research, conservation and education project coordinated by the Zoological Society of Milwaukee (ZSM) in cooperation with the Foundation for Wildlife Conservation, Inc. (FWC) and private landowners. The project was initiated in 1996 to study migratory and resident bird species in Wisconsin, USA and Belize, Central America. Vicki Piaskowski is the International Coordinator for Birds Without Borders-Aves Sin Fronteras.

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MORE HOY EVENTS



The Environmental Education Alliance, of which Hoy Audubon is a member, received a \$500 gift from the Torhorst Conservation Grant at the Racine Zoo.

This will make it possible for the Alliance to continue its 20 years of programs, which have reached 58,000 people in Racine & Kenosha. Sixth Grade students will benefit from speakers who come to their schools, and the public will enjoy these outstanding free lectures at the Golden Rondelle. This lecture series promotes environmental awareness as well as Stewardship of our natural world. Thank you to the Conservation Education Committee of the Racine Zoo!

The time for the hopefully exciting **Common Nighthawk** migration is approaching. I hope we see lots of birds this fall. Based on the last 3 years study August 15 until Sept 15 is prime time, with most birds being counted between 7 and 8 pm. You can download a copy of the count sheet and instructions on our web page. Or if you prefer, write and they can mail you a paper copy. Good luck this year and don't forget to use the listserver to keep us informed with your day to day sightings. They will need a final report from each site at the end of your count. You can mail or email them a copy. If you use email make sure they send you a letter saying that they have received it. Contact Ron Singer Rd #1 Box 1389 Mount Union, Pa. 17066 ris@vicon.net

Pringle Nature Center 5K Trail Run/Hike. Join the Nature Center at 9 A.M. on October 12, 2002, for their 4th annual 5K Trail Run/Hike. Run or hike through the beautiful fall colors in Bristol Wood's upland & lowland forest over hilly, wood-chipped trails.

Fall Fun Festival

Following the 5K Trail Run/Hike, partake in the excitement of their Fall Fun Festival from 10 A.M. - 6 P.M. This fundraiser for the Pringle Nature Center includes live music, nature presentations, food, hayrides, and activities for children. Come for the race and stay for the fun. Funds raised go to help maintain the programs offered at Pringle Nature Center. Stop by the Hoy booth and say hello. For more information call 262.857.2688

West Nile Virus

contact <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/land/wildlife/whealth/issues/wnv.htm>. Please contact the Wisconsin West Nile Virus Hotline at (800) 433-1610 to report a sick or dead bird. The DPH and DNR are collecting information on sick/dead crows, blue jays, and ravens.

Weekly Racine Birding

7:00 AM Thursday morning starting at Shoop Park (on Lighthouse Drive in Wind Point). Contact Helen or Eric.
5:30 PM Colonial Park - Sept 18, Oct 2 and Cliffside Park on Sept 25th and Oct 9. This will be a chance to look for fall warblers and others.

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The next board meeting will be at the home of Helen Pugh at 6:30 PM on Wed Sept 4. All members are welcome to attend.

Come earlier for birding at the marina.

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