

The 19th Annual Wings & Wetlands Weekend

A six County Festival Saturday & Sunday May 11th & 12th, 2013

Activities By County

For more information about any activity, contact the corresponding county.

Clay (712) 262-2187
 Dickinson (712) 336-6352
 Emmet (712) 867-4422
 Kossuth (515) 295-2138
 O'Brien (712) 295-7200
 Palo Alto (712) 837-4866

Check out our Wetland Display at the South Park Mall and in the window at Arts on Grand in Spencer, IA.

Dickinson County

Saturday, May 11

8:00 a.m. - Warbler Walk

Join Ed Thelen at parking lot at Marble Beach to scout the park for migrating songbirds.

1:00 p.m. - Ospreys, Our Tropical Connection

Learn more about the ospreys that have returned to nest at the park. You can also hear more about our areas link to the tropics.

2:00 p.m. - Children's Activities

Bring your children - of all ages - to the Nature Center to enjoy activities and programs

6:00 p.m. - Ospreys, Our Tropical Connection

This program is a second showing for the 1:00 program.

Emmet County

Saturday, May 11

10:00 a.m. - Duck Wing Identification

Learn to id waterfowl wings. The session is led by Gary Phillips from Iowa Lakes Community College.

10:00 a.m. - Youth Bird Hike

Join the naturalist for a hike through the park. Meet at the Nature Center

11:00 a.m. - Red-Tail Rescue

Jason Kollasch and Ross Dirks will be presenting information on a local bird which was rehabilitated.

12:00 p.m. - Duck Wing Identification

Join Gary Phillips for a repeat of the morning session.

1:00 p.m. - Youth Bird Hike

Hit the trail with the naturalist to enjoy spring birds.

2:00 p.m. - Geology Rocks

Explore the world beneath your feet with this presentation.

3:00 p.m. - Every Last Drop

Meet at the Nature Center to learn more about watersheds.

Kossuth County

Thursday, May 9

6:30 p.m. - Trumpeter Swan Program

Have a personal experience touching a live trumpeters swan and learn more about the birds from Union Slough Biologist Ann Marie Krmpotich. Meet at the Nature Center.

Saturday, May 11

9:00 a.m. - Bird Hike at Union Slough

Join the naturalists and local bird expert Mike Kenne for a spring bird hike. Meet at the Union Slough Office and be prepared to hike. Binoculars provided.

O'Brien County

Saturday, May 11

7:30 a.m. - Breakfast with the Birds

Meet Lee Schoenewe at the Prairie Heritage Center. Rolls and coffee will be served. Carpool for birding at the Hannibal Waterman Area and Wanata State Park.

1:00 p.m. - Tribute to Ding Darling

Enjoy a program highlighting the work of one of Iowa's most prominent conservation heroes!
A traveling exhibit of his conservation cartoons is on display through mid-June.

3:00 p.m. - Spring Wildflowers

Meet at the Prairie Heritage Center to carpool to nearby Bertram Park to celebrate Iowa's Wildflower Week!

7:00 p.m. - Family Movie

at the Prairie Heritage Center. Bring a blanket to camp out on the floor (chairs available too)! Finish the day with birding laughs and excitement with the "Big Year."

Clay County

Saturday, May 11

7:30 a.m. - Breakfast with the Birds

Meet Lee Schoenewe at the Prairie Heritage Center. Rolls and coffee will be served. Carpool for birding at the Hannibal Waterman Area and Wanata State Park.

1:15 p.m. - Shallow Lake Management and Birds

Meet at the Oneota Cabin in Spencer to carpool to the west side of Trumbull Lake. We'll be meeting Lee Schoenewe for an exciting afternoon of watching Waterfowl.

Palo Alto County

Saturday, May 11

9:00 a.m. - Wetland Tour

Join the Ducks Unlimited Biologist for a tour of nearby wetlands. Meet at the Nature Center.

11:00 a.m. - Trumpeter Swan Release

Lost Island Marsh, 1/2 mile N or Huston Park Entrance on 350th Avenue.

1 - 4 p.m. - Greenwings & Ringnecks Youth Program

Free Program. The guest speaker is Ross Dirks, a falconer with a live hawk. Many other activities will be included in the day. Register by May 3rd and receive a free t-shirt. **REGISTRATION is required (712-837-4866)**

Sunday, May 12

8:00 a.m. - Breakfast with the Birds

Join us for coffee and donuts before we head out on the trail with Audubon member Lee Schoenewe. May is prime migration for warblers and other songbirds. Bring your binoculars and your mother and meet at the Lost Island Nature Center north of Ruthven

