

AMES AUDUBON

NEWSLETTER

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AUDUBON WILDLIFE FILM

Our last Audubon Wildlife Film of the season will be presented this Sunday night, March 21, in Kildee Auditorium. As you know, it appears that we will just about break even on the series this year. It is true that we are a non-profit organization, however, considering the effort it takes to arrange for and promote this series, it would be nice if we had at the end of the season a treasury that would allow us to devote some attention to other projects in the community that could use the backing and support of Ames Audubon.

At the present time we still owe the National Audubon Society \$250.00 for the film series this year. This must come, for the most part, from profits on our last film. Once again we have enclosed handbills and a number of tickets for each member. We ask that you make every effort to post these handbills and sell your tickets to friends and neighbors. If they are reluctant to come, bring them. It is entirely possible to fill Kildee Auditorium and this can be done if you, as members, are willing to take an active rather than a passive role in Ames Audubon. You can all think of a few people willing to attend.

Next year the film series, which has been raised in price to \$700.00, will be co-sponsored by the Kiwanis Club. We will share expenses and profits with them. The films will be shown in the Welch Junior High School Auditorium which has a seating capacity of approximately 750. We plan to have a season ticket available next year which means that most prospects will be contacted just once. Many ideas for promotion of the series have come out of meetings with the Kiwanis Club and, with both clubs actively participating, we look forward to a highly successful season next year.

AUDUBON FIELD TRIPS

A preliminary trip was made to Red Rock Reservoir March 4. Waterfowl had not yet returned and the reservoir was still ice-bound. Only a few mallard, goldeneye, and mergansers were present and one bald eagle has remained the winter. A trip is planned to Red Rock late in March or early in April to observe the waterfowl with perhaps one later in the season to observe the peak of the landbird migration. We hope that Gladys Black will be available to direct us to the better areas in the refuge. Local trips are also planned.

1971 DUES PAYABLE

Dues for 1971, which expire December 31, are now payable if you have not already done so. Family memberships are \$4.50, Student family \$3.50, Adult \$3.00, Student (college or high school) \$2.00, and Junior (under 16) \$1.00. Your prompt remittance to Mrs. Lois Carr, 619-8th. St., Ames, will be appreciated.

SPRING MIGRATION OBSERVATIONS

Please report any rare or unusual observations to Jim Rod (232-4869).



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