

# AMES AUDUBON

NEWSLETTER

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## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, February 12 - Ames Public Library Auditorium, 6th and Douglas. 7:30 p.m. Short business meeting. 8:00 p.m. Philip Cox of Ames will present an illustrated talk entitled, "The English Rural Scene." See below for details.

Sunday, February 16 - Brookside Park, Ames. Winter nature outing, featuring a wiener roast, tree identification, and bird observation. Full details will be worked out at the Feb. 12 meeting. Plan to attend.

Saturday, March 2 - At Ames' River Valley park. Early spring nature outing. Full details to be discussed at Feb. 12 meeting.

Thursday, March 13 - Ames Public Library Auditorium. Robert Pinneke, Director of Story County Conservation Board, will talk on the programs and facilities of Story County recreational and wildlife areas, and will show some slides on same. Mark this down on your list as a must. EPM

### "The Rural English Scene"

Mr. Philip Cox of the Iowa State Statistics Department will present an illustrated program on this subject next Wednesday evening at the Ames Public Library, starting at 8:00 p.m. Mr. Cox, a native of rural Southern England, developed, at an early age, a keen interest in the various facets of nature to be found there. He later became a Fellow of the Royal Horticultural Society and an active member of the Redding Camera Club. He used to take long hikes in the countryside, observing various birds, wild flowers, and other features of the land. He diligently recorded these with his camera and will present a portion for our enjoyment and information. He will also show views of several archeological points of interest. He is a graduate of Oxford University and has been working in Ames since about 1960. He has continued his nature studies here and will include some of his work in the program. Gerald Robinson of our group will introduce Mr. Cox. This should be an outstanding program. Plan to attend and invite your friends.

Preceding this program, starting at 7:30, we will have a short business meeting to discuss several items of urgent attention. Following the program, refreshments will be served. Mrs. Diane Hanselmann again has taken the lead in making arrangements. The necessary punch and cookies are already on hand. Help will be needed in preparation and serving. Please call her at 232-0539 to volunteer your services - or be at the hall at about 7p.m. to lend a hand.

SPECIAL NOTE ON A BLESSED EVENT - Jamie Joe Hanselmann is the latest addition to the Ames Audubon circle. She arrived on Jan. 25. The proud parents, Diane and Steve, and Jamie Joe, are all doing well. We extend our warmest congratulations to them!

The annual convention of the National Audubon Society will be held in St. Louis on April 25 to 29. They have an outstanding program lined up, including a talk by the new president, Elvís Stahr. This promises to be the opening of an expanded National Audubon effort in the midwest.



Dove Forum a Success

On January 16, Ames Audubon sponsored a public forum on the question, "Should Doves Be Hunted in Iowa?" It was held in Kildee Auditorium on the ISU campus. An estimated 125 persons attended despite the bad roads and weather. Norman Hamilton of Ames Audubon represented our group and did a great job in getting the program underway. Robert J. Muncy, of the Iowa State Fisheries Unit, served skillfully as program moderator. He kept the forum moving and refereed without bias the enthusiastic audience in a question-and-answer session which followed. Each of the speakers did a fine job in presenting his assigned topic in the forum. They were: Eugene Klonglan of the Iowa Conservation Commission, Wilmer J. Miller of Ames, Robert Pinneke of the Story County Conservation Board, and Ben Bereskin of Ames. Dr. Miller gave perhaps the most interesting talk- on the biology of the dove. Visitors from as far away as Ottumwa (Mrs. Pearl Johns and her husband), Des Moines, and Marshalltown attended. Otto Knauth gave us another fine coverage in the Des Moines Register, which we appreciate. Most people agreed it was a highly informative and enjoyable forum. It largely fulfilled its primary purpose, namely to help clear the air on the issue of dove hunting in Iowa. It was a program that Ames Audubon can be proud of, and showed what can be done when our members cooperate on a project. If we can keep up the good work, a successful future for Ames Audubon is assured.

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PORTIONS of a MESSAGE from Dr. ELVIS J. STAHR, NEW PRESIDENT of the NATIONAL AUDUBON SOCIETY to ALL MEMBERS

"My actions these past 20 years - years spent in serving 3 U.S. Presidents and four universities - I trust will fortify my words to you now: that the only kind of work that appeals to me is work that is important and useful. Since there is nothing today more important for the long run than the crusade for conservation, I am truly grateful for the chance to be useful in a key role, as President of the greatest of the fine groups in America devoted to this cause... My aim will be to lead our organizational efforts and marshal our resources for still greater effectiveness in both conservation education and action. I will seek to do these things in cooperation rather than in competition with others of similar convictions... Let us both broaden and intensify our programs to inform and educate people of every age group about the glories of nature and about the powers and choices of men in modifying nature. Let us find ways to bring to urban populations a better understanding of their own deep dependence on those very same things that are vital to the existence of wildlife: unpoisoned soil, fresh air, pure water, vast forests and grasslands. Let us imbue national and state leaders and legislative bodies with a sense of urgency, industrial leaders with a sense of responsibility, and the general public with understanding and enlightened concern... Your Society, our Society, I have found, has a superb staff, an outstanding board, and growing numbers of opinion leaders as members. I ask for your continued, indeed your heightened support, and I pledge to you the very best of my heart, my mind, and my energies."

We of Ames Audubon pledge our complete cooperation with the National office in the months ahead. Our primary need now is more members who are eager to help in our efforts to promote a sane approach to nature.

How about YOU?

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What is resource analysis + planning?

Ecological Institute  
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Ecosystem Analysis - Pesticides  
Weather Manipulation  
Environmental Control  
Poll  
Cons  
Multiple Uses

Research  
Farms

Telephones - Communication

Ecol. Institutes

Nelson -

Huddleston

Soil

Evol. of landscape