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THE TUNDRA WORLD-TUESDAY, OCT. 15

The next general meeting of Ames Audubon will be Tues., Oct. 15, at 7:30 pm in Rm. 122 Kildee Hall, ISU. The program will be presented by Dr. Milton W. Weller, Prof. of Wildlife Biology at ISU. The title is "The Tundra World" and will feature colored slides of birds, other wildlife, man, and terrain near the Arctic Circle. Dr. Weller attended the Ame. Ornithological Union mtgns. in Fairbanks in June, visited 2 of his Grad. students on assignment in NW Canada, and then extended his tour to a total of 5 wks., during which he studied and photographed habitat birds, etc. About 130 slides will be shown, taking about an hour, plus time for questions. Dr. Weller received his PhD in Zoology at Missouri U. and has been on the ISU staff for the past 11 years. His major interests are in ornithology, ecology, and wildlife mgmt., with waterfowl as his primary area of specialization. He has published numerous papers in his field, has held many positions in Scientific Societies, and is in constant demand as a speaker. So, we of Audubon feel especially fortunate that he has graciously agreed to fit us into his busy schedule. This promises to be an outstanding program. All members are urged to attend and bring along several friends. You won't be sorry!

Following the program, we will have a business meeting, with the following 2 items: (1) Ratification of our constitution and (2) reports by our various committees, with possible decisions on their recommendations for action. (See elsewhere this page, on committees.) Note the new starting time-7:30pm which will be the rule during fall and winter. (This meeting shifted from Oct. 8 due to conflict in Dr. W. sch.)

CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER

Thursday, Oct. 3, 7:30 pm, Rm. 120
Kildee Hall, ISU. Exec. Board meeting. Action on Constitution, committees, and general policies.

Tuesday, Oct. 15, 7:30 pm, Rm. 122
Kildee Hall, ISU. Program by Dr. Milton W. Weller on "The Tundra World", followed by regular business meeting.

Tuesday, Oct. 29, 7:30 pm, Rm. 122
Kildee Hall, ISU. Another Audubon Extra! Dr. Barton Morgan of Ames Audubon will present selections from his famous collection of bird and nature slides. Each one is a work of art and great skill. You won't want to miss this! No business meeting.
Oct. ? Nature Outing. any suggestions?

SPECIAL on COMMITTEES and PROJECTS

It is hoped that work on committees and projects will lead to greater active participation by Society members. A form containing the following list is being dispersed to each member and potential member: Winter bird feeding and observation station, Nature trails and Native plants, Bird study and censuses, Save the Ames Prairie, Hunting laws and game surveillance, State conservation issues, Natn. and Internatn. conservation issues, Special Conserv., Nature outings, Membership, Newcomers, Librarian, Historian, Newsletter, and Telephone publicity. Please indicate your preferences or other suggestions to Pres. by Oct. 1. All previous assignments made after agreement with individ. will be retained if possible. All other previous assignments may be disregarded. There are openings on all of the above. You may serve on more than 1 committee, if desired. (Contd p. 2)

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NO VACATION FOR AMES AUDUBON!

During Aug. and Sept. we stayed on the job of promoting the understanding, appreciation, and safeguarding of our natural environment. This included correspondence with congressmen in behalf of the Redwood Natn. Park, with success. On Aug. 22, Dr. R. Landers, of ISU Botany, conducted an excellent tour of the native prairie at Ames High. About 35 persons participated. Then came an inspiring program of magnificent slides and commentary by Dr. Landers on various aspects of the prairie. Mr. K. Trump, Dir. of Science Educ. at Ames High, presented a review of the background and current status of the prairie. All were very much impressed with the area and were determined to do all we can to save the Ames Prairie as a priceless outdoor laboratory. Mrs. W.J. Miller arranged the prgm.

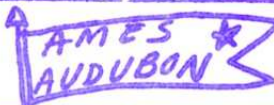
On Sept. 10, Mr. L. Kurtz, of the Ames Park Board, took the group on a colored slide tour of the city parks. He discussed the long-range plans and showed views of the extensive native wooded areas along the streams. It was an outstanding prgm.

One nature outing was in No. Brookside Park and led by Mr. R. Gardner and Mr. A. Bohling, of the L.A. Dept. at ISU. They did a very fine job. A delicious pot-luck picnic followed. Another outing was an invigorating hike along the new Railway Park on Sept. 22. A picnic followed.

At the Sept. 10 business meeting, David K. Hoffman was elected as the 5th director, for a 1-yr. term. We are certainly happy to have Dave as new Audubon and Board member. He is a dedicated conservationist and could contribute a great deal to Ames Audubon.

Committees and Projects (from p.1)

The assignments will be confirmed at the Oct. 3 Board Meeting. Our aim is to give every consideration to each member's wishes. Anyone willing to help will have a responsible job. Each member will be notified as soon as possible so that each committee can prepare a report for the Oct. 15 meeting. That meeting should



WHERE
WE
STAND

The Ames Audubon Soc. is a fully autonomous organization dedicated to the enjoyment and study of nature and to the safeguarding and improving the quality of our natural environment. Our main interests are in the Ames area but we have in the past and will in the future be concerned about and do all we can on conservation issues at the county, state, and higher levels. The Audubon movement in the U.S. dates back prior to 1900 and a great tradition and heritage of dedicated public service to conservation has accumulated. We of Ames Audubon are proud to be a part of this national effort. Ames Audubon already has made significant contributions in Ames and on other levels, in the spirit of our objectives. We are committed to an expansion of our efforts in the near future. National Audubon has consistently taken positions of leadership in conservation ideas. We of Ames Audubon strive to do likewise. Our policy has always been to welcome the active participation by all persons interested in our objectives. Also, we are always more than happy to cooperate with any local group on matters of mutual or public interest. However, the only basis for such cooperation can be as equals, not subservience of one group to another. Ames Audubon cannot and will not abdicate its freedom of expression or action.

Welcome Back!

Steve and Dian Hanselmann recently returned from a summer in Maine where Steve was a Naturalist in the Acadia National Park. These fine folks are loyal Audubon boosters from way back and are charter members of Ames Audubon.

mark a new phase in the growth of Ames Audubon- one of active participation by all members. Won't you volunteer to do your share?