

Bird Banding at Biocore Prairie, *August 29 (Saturday)*, *8:00am-12:00noon*. See how birds are netted, banded, measured, and released as part of ongoing research efforts for conservation purposes. Co-sponsored by the Madison Audubon Society. Park at the Picnic Point parking lot and walk up to the Biocore Prairie. Please RSVP by email to leader: Mara McDonald, mamcdona@wisc.edu, or call 274-2534 before 8:30 p.m.

Lakeshore Nature Preserve Bird Walk, August 29 (Saturday) 8:00am-11:00am. We will look for early fall migrants, including "confusing fall warblers", vireos, flycatchers, and others. Bring binoculars and a field guide if you have them. Cosponsored by Madison Audubon Society. Meet at Lot 130 at Picnic Point. Leaders: Roma Lenehan, 238-5406 (rlenehan@ charter.net) and Marty Evanson (mtevanson@gmail.com)

Class of 1918 Marsh Tour, *September 13 (Sunday)*, 1:00pm -3:00pm. Explore the Class of 1918 Marsh, a highly successful major wetland restoration and preservation within the Lakeshore Nature Preserve. John Magnuson will discuss the ongoing study of winter salt and its impact on the lake and surrounding area. Meet at the Class of 1918 parking lot. Coleaders: Greta Helmueller and John Magnuson 233-2036 (jjmagnus@wisc.edu)

Geologic History of the Preserve and Madison Lakes, *September 20 (Sunday), 1:00pm-3:00 pm*. On the cusp of the fall season, consider the glaciers that were here 25,000 years ago as we talk about geology on a walk to Picnic Point entrance. Meet at Chamberlain Rock, next to Washburn Observatory, 1401 Observatory Drive. Park on the street or at Lot 26. Additional parking is available at Lot 34 or Picnic Point parking lot and walk up. Leader: David Mickelson 262-7863 (davem@geology.wisc.edu)

4th Sunday of the Month Birding and Nature Walk with Paul Noeldner, *September 27 (Sunday)*, *1:30pm–3:00pm*. Co-sponsored by the Madison Audubon Society (see the website for details). Meet at the Eagle Heights Community Gardens shed. Park across the street from the Community Gardens entrance in Lot 131. Leader: Paul Noeldner, 698-0104 (paul_noeldner@hotmail.com)

Fall Lakeshore Nature Preserve Bird Walk, October 4 (Sunday) 8:00am–11:00am. Enjoy the fall colors while taking an early morning birding walk through the Lakeshore Nature Preserve. Get a taste of the fall migration of birds that remain along the gardens, prairies and woodland edges. This is a joint field trip co-sponsored by the Madison Audubon Society. Meet at the

Class of 1918 Marsh parking lot. Leaders: Peter Fissel and Roma Lenehan; call Peter at 226-0260 (peter.fissel@wisc.edu)

Stargazing in the Lakeshore Nature Preserve, October 9 (*Friday*), 7:30pm-9:00pm. Weather permitting. Join with the staff of the University of Wisconsin Space Place in viewing the autumn sky from the Preserve. Enjoy a short introduction about the stars and planets and take a closer look by telescope. Meet at parking Lot #131 (at the intersection of University Bay Drive and Lake Mendota Drive). Leader: Jim Lattis, 262-4779 (lattis@astro.wisc.edu).

A Mycological Stroll in the Lakeshore Nature Preserve, October 18 (Sunday), 1:00pm-3:00pm. We will look for examples of fungi that are pathogens, ones that play a role in recycling the woods, and ones that form mutually beneficial partnerships with other plants. Meet at Picnic Point parking lot. Leader: Jessie Glaeser 231-9215 (jglaeser@fs.fed.us)

4th Sunday of the Month Birding and Nature Walk with Paul Noeldner, *October 25 (Sunday)*, *1:30pm–3:00pm*. Cosponsored by the Madison Audubon Society (see the website for details). Meet at the Eagle Heights Community Gardens shed. Park across the street from the Community Gardens entrance in Lot 131. Leaders: Gisela Kutzbach & Paul Noeldner, 698-0104 (paul_noeldner@hotmail.com).

Mid-Fall on Biocore Prairie, *November 15 (Sunday)*, *1:00pm–2:30pm*. On a crisp mid-fall day, join us for a walk on Biocore Prairie, a flourishing prairie restoration program that is used for undergraduate teaching and research. Meet at Frautschi Point lot. Leader: Janet Batzli 263-1594 (jcbatzli@wisc.edu)

4th Sunday of the Month Birding and Nature Walk with Paul Noeldner, *November 22 (Sunday), 1:30pm-3:00pm.* Co-sponsored by the Madison Audubon Society (see the website for details). Meet at the Eagle Heights Community Gardens shed. Park across the street from the Community Gardens entrance in Lot 131. Leaders: Paul Noeldner, 698- 0104 (paul_noeldner@hotmail.com)

4th Sunday of the Month Birding and Nature Walk with Paul Noeldner, *December 27 (Sunday), 1:30pm-3:00pm.* Co-sponsored by the Madison Audubon Society (see the website for details). Meet at the Eagle Heights Community Gardens shed. Park across the street from the Community Gardens entrance in Lot 131. Leaders: Will Waller and Paul Noeldner, 698- 0104 (paul_noeldner@hotmail.com).