

## JPCOMING HOY EVENTS

## Thurs, June 6 "Lake Michigan Coastal Habitat: Home for Birds"

River Bend Nature Center, 3600 N Green Bay Rd, Racine 6:00 pm hike the trails to see birds & wildflowers 7:00 pm Andy Paulios from the Madison DNR Office of Endangered Resources will describe our unique habitat along Lake Michigan's shoreline & its tributaries. How do changes to the habitat, both man-made and natural, affect our native and migrant birds? What can we do about potential problems? Come and find out!

8:00 pm Election of Officers, bird identification slides by Ed Prins. Refreshments will be available.

ELECTION OF CHAPTER OFFICERS: The following nominees are being announced for 2002 - 2003 officers:

President

Eric Howe

Vice President

Joan Rohan

Treasurer

Helen Pugh

Recording Secretary

Muffy Petrick

Newsletter

Stan Rosenstiel

Membership

Muffy Petrick

Director At Large Ed Prins

Elections will be held at the meeting. Nominations from the floor will also be accepted. All club members are urged to attend. Help choose your directors and give your input for the upcoming year's programs & projects.



Thurs August 1 Picnic Information to follow

#### **ELECTION OF REGIONAL DIRECTOR:**

Liz Woedl of Oxford Ohio announced her candidacy for Great Lakes Regional Director on the Board of the National Audubon Society. Our chapter is allowed one ballot in this election, based on the size of our membership. Please come to indicate yes or no for this nominee who promises to be a strong voice for the Great Lakes chapters when it comes to policy-making at the national level. Her biography and candidate statement will be available for viewing.

At our May meeting we heard from **Bettie Harriman**, Director for the Wisconsin Breeding Bird Atlas. Six years of field work, that concluded in 2000, was made possible by 1600 individuals and their 161,000 records. We now know of at least 228 confirmed bird species that nest in our state with another 11 probable nesters. Several species were even documented nesting for the first time in our state. Detailed comparisons in expansions and reductions of breeding ranges were noted for other species since <u>Wisconsin Birdlife</u> was published nearly 40 years ago. Species accounts and data analysis will be finished in the coming months. Publication will take about two years once the final draft is submitted to UW Press. But you don't have to wait that long to see where species have been found breeding in our state. Check out: http://www.uwgb.edu/birds/wbba/

# Whooping Cranes return to Wisconsin.

The 5 Whooping Cranes that left Chassahowitzka NWR in Florida are now back exploring wetlands of south central Wisconsin. You can follow their progress and the upcoming class of '02 Whoopers at http://www.operationmigration.org.

### weekly Racine Lakefront Birding

Our 7:00 Thursday morning birding continues, starting at Meyer's Park (entrance at 11th Street and Pershing Drive, southeast of Gateway College). Time allowing, we'll head up to Wind Point Lighthouse afterwards. Contact Helen or Eric.

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The next board meeting will be July 9 at 6:30 pm at the home of Janet and Jack LeSuer. All members are welcome to attend.

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