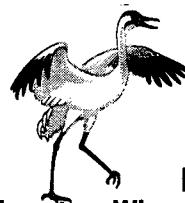


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OCTOBER

13th

PROGRAM: INVASIVE PLANTS IN WISCONSIN

6:45 p.m., Wednesday
Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary
Speaker: Gary Fewless

In recent years there has been frequent reference to invasive species in the media. Virtually everyone has heard about the effects of Zebra Mussels, Gypsy Moths and many other invasive animals. Equally disturbing problems also exist with invasive plants. They are often (but not always) introduced species that move into natural habitats and create a variety of problems. They are typically very aggressive, reproduce quickly, and tend to fill up the habitat in just a few years. Unlike many of our common garden weeds, these species are not always restricted to disturbed sites, but rather may invade our native communities. They displace native plants and may cause cascading effects which can disrupt the habitat.

This slide-illustrated talk will discuss some familiar invaders such as Purple Loosestrife and Tartarian Honeysuckle, some relatively new species that you may not be familiar with, such as Garlic Mustard and Glossy Buckthorn, and others that may surprise you. The talk will discuss how to recognize these plants, where you might expect to find them, and some methods of control. The speaker is Gary Fewless, Curator of the Herbarium at the University of Wisconsin - Green Bay, who has been monitoring wild plants in northeastern Wisconsin for over 20 years.

19th

BOARD MEETING

7 p.m., Tuesday
Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary
All members may attend.

23rd

FIELD TRIP: GYPSY MOTH

9 a.m., Saturday
Baird Place Park
Guide: Paul Hartman
(see back side for details)

NOVEMBER

10th

PROGRAM: SOMETHING NEW AT UWGB - THE COFRIN CENTER FOR BIODIVERSITY

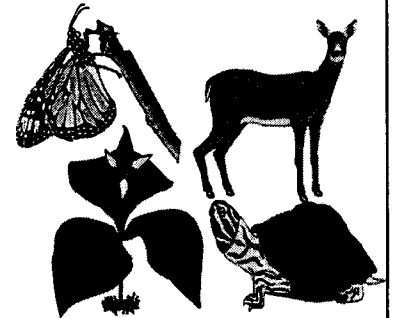
6:45 p.m., Wednesday
Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary
Speaker: Bob Howe

The University of Wisconsin-Green Bay has a long history of studies involving the plants and animals of northeastern Wisconsin. Most notably, the Richter Museum of Natural History and the UWGB Herbarium, both have important biological collections from the region. The Cofrin Arboretum includes one of the most significant natural areas in Green Bay.

Robert Howe, professor of Environmental Sciences at UWGB and a former Audubon Conservation Committee chair, will introduce our audience to the newest addition: The Cofrin Center for Biodiversity. The new center aims to bring together existing programs and to expand outreach activities for people interested in the natural history of this area.

Professor Howe will explain the center's organization and current projects, as well as discussing some of the ways we can become involved to utilize its resources. The Cofrin Biodiversity Center welcomes the participation of resource managers, teachers and environmental organizations.

For a preview of the center, surf the web at:
<http://wso.uwgb.edu/biodiversity/eacb/ntm>.



16th

BOARD MEETING

7 p.m., Tuesday
Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary
All members may attend.

To become a new member of the National Audubon Society and our local chapter, simply send \$20 to:
National Audubon, P.O. Box 51001, Boulder, CO 80321-1001. Please include "This is a new member recruited
by the Northeastern Wisconsin Audubon Society, Inc., #Z05, 1701 Ninth St., Green Bay, WI 54304.

Gypsy Moth Field Trip cont.

The Gypsy Moth has arrived in Green Bay! Baird Place Park (at the corner of East Mason and S. Webster Streets) in Green Bay is the location for a gypsy moth egg mass search party. We will meet at 9 a.m. on Saturday, October 23, 1999.

Learn about gypsy moth biology and join in the search. We will look for the egg masses on tree trunks and other locations. We will finish around 11 a.m. with egg masses in hand! Each mass contains an average of 600 eggs. Each larva eats one bushel of leaves!

Please dress for the weather. Bring a sharp knife and a re-sealable plastic bag. Contact Paul Hartman at 391-4610 for more information.

2000 WeatherFriend Phenology Calendar

The 2000 WeatherFriend Phenology Calendar, our 21st edition, will be available for sale by the first week of November. You may order one by sending \$6 to NEW Audubon, 1701 Ninth St., Green Bay, WI 54304.

Land Endowment Grants

The profits from our WeatherFriend Phenology Calendar for the last 21 years have gone to build our WeatherFriend Endowment which awards annual grants to protect habitat in Wisconsin. At the April '99 board meeting the following grants were approved:

- \$500 for the Northeast Wisconsin Land Trust Easements Protection Endowment
- \$500 for a 2-day seminar put on by Gathering Waters for Land Trusts in northeastern Wisconsin.
- \$1,000 for NEW Master Gardeners Assoc. Purple Loosestrife/ Invasive Species Eradication Project run by Paul Hartman.
- \$900 for our club's own Amphibian Conservation Project.
- \$900 for our club's own Red-Shouldered Hawk Study Project.

We are now looking for potential recipients of this year's grants to be awarded at the April 2000 board meeting. For an application, contact Dennis Prusik, 499-9689.

NEW Audubon Board

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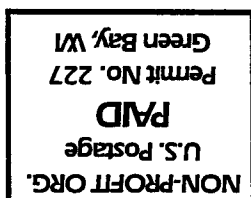
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| Red-Shouldered Hawk Study, Christmas Bird Count, & Brown County Bird Pamphlet: | John Jacobs | |
| Amphibian Conservation Project: | Randy Korb | |
| WeatherFriend Land Grants (Endowment): | Dennis Prusik | |
| WeatherFriend Calendar: | Dennis Prusik, John Jacobs, Paul Hartman | |
| Silent Auction (Banquet): | Dennis Prusik | |

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