

Wachiska Audubon Society's vision: To share the experience and love of nature—that life may flourish in all its natural diversity.

The Babbling Brook

Our 40th Year of Protecting Nature 1973 - 2013

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40th Anniversary Celebration on September 8 at Lincoln's Hillcrest Country Club to replace monthly general meeting.

National Audubon President Featured at Wachiska Celebration

Special Event - Wachiska marks 40th Anniversary at September 8 event at Hillcrest Country Club

Registration extended until Tuesday, September 3

This year commemorates the 40th Anniversary of the founding of the Wachiska Audubon Society. To celebrate this landmark, Wachiska members, friends, and the general public are invited to a special event featuring **National Audubon Society President David Yarnold.**



David Yarnold

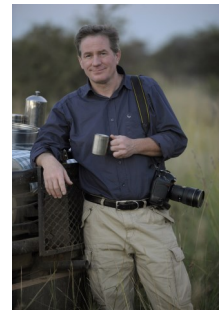
The event will take place on **Sunday, September 8, from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m.** at Hillcrest Country Club, 9401 East O Street, Lincoln. The event kicks off with a reception, cash bar, and silent auction from 4:00 to 5:30. Those attending will have the opportunity to bid on many items including original works by Keith Jacobshagen, Ted Kooser, Joel Sartore, Paul Johnsgard, Michael Forsberg, Donna Burdic, plus many other items listed on page 5 inside and in last month's newsletter. A plated meal and dessert will be served at 5:30, followed by a short recognition presentation and our featured speaker. At the conclusion of the evening, silent auction bid winners will be able to pick up their items.

As the highlight of the evening, we are extremely pleased to have David Yarnold, National Audubon Society President, as our special guest. Mr. Yarnold will be speaking on some of the key efforts of the National Audubon Society and the important role Nebraska and local chapters play in those efforts. Mr. Yarnold's presentation will be *Audubon's Grassroots: The Power of Many, the Passion We Share*. He will discuss his vision of how the National Audubon Society will thrive in its second century by building its grassroots network.

We invite all Wachiska members, friends, supporters, and anyone with an interest in our natural world to join in this special celebration. Cost is \$30/person; advance reservations required. The deadline has been extended to a Tuesday, September 3, postmark. As we go to press there are over 180 reservations. Reserve your spot and choose your dinner entrée by completing and returning the form on page 2 or find reservation information online at www.wachiskaaudubon.org.

Earthkeeper Award to be Presented at Celebration

During the program, Wachiska will present its annual **Earthkeeper Award** to **Joel Sartore**, long-time local chapter member, friend, and supporter. Joel is a photographer with *National Geographic* and has had several photos published in *Audubon* magazine over the years. His passion for birds, rare and endangered animals, and life itself becomes evident every time one speaks with Joel.



In addition, the **President's Award** will be given to an active member who has been a leader, committee chair, Board member, and all-around wildlife and nature education champion for over 30 years. This announcement is customarily kept as a surprise to be revealed during the program.

Calendar

September

- 3 Board Meeting, Wachiska office, 7:00 p.m.
- 3 Extended deadline for celebration reservations (page 2)
- 8 **40th Anniversary Celebration, Hillcrest Country Club, 4:00 – 8:00 p.m., see pages 1, 2, and 5**
- 10 Population/Environment Committee, Wachiska office, 7:00 p.m.
- 16 Conservation Committee, Wachiska office, 5:00 p.m.
- 16 Newsletter deadline, Wachiska office, 5:00 p.m.
- 22 Field trip to Loess Hills in Iowa, 12:00 noon (page 2)
- 23 Postmark deadline for Fall Birdseed Sale (pages 3-4)
- 26 Legislation Committee, DaVinci's, 11th & G, 6:00 p.m.

NOTE: NO General Meeting or Education Committee Meeting in September

Reserve your place by September 3!

I'd like to reserve a seat at the Wachiska Audubon Society's 40th Anniversary Celebration on September 8, 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Hillcrest Country Club, 9401 East O Street, Lincoln.

Circle one meal selection from choices below.

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ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP

PHONE NUMBER EMAIL

Number attending _____ @ \$30 each. Total enclosed \$ _____

All reservations must be paid for in advance. Pick up tickets at the door. Confirmation will be sent by email or U.S. mail. Make checks payable to Wachiska Audubon Society and have them postmarked by September 3 to 4547 Calvert St Ste 10, Lincoln NE 68506-5643. You may also bring your reservation to the office. Questions? Call the Wachiska office at 402-486-4846.

Delicious meal options from Hillcrest

Hillcrest Country Club chefs are offering four delicious plated dinner options for your dining enjoyment. Each entrée is accompanied by dessert and coffee or tea. Special dietary requests can be accommodated. Call the Wachiska office if you have questions.

Grilled Atlantic Salmon (S) Absolutely fresh Atlantic salmon finished with a honey bourbon glaze, and served with a wild rice blend and a fresh vegetable medley.

Beef Medallions (B) Roasted beef tenderloin sliced and served with Hillcrest mashed potatoes, topped with hunter-brown gravy, and served with a fresh vegetable medley.

Parmesan Chicken (C) Parmesan encrusted chicken breast lightly fried to a golden brown, served over a bed of fettuccini, topped with a mushroom cream sauce, and served with a fresh vegetable medley.

Vegetable Fettuccini (V) Fettuccini noodles tossed in olive oil with broccoli, mushrooms, garlic, pine nuts, artichoke hearts, and sundried tomatoes, served with a mixed salad and garlic bread.



Field Trip

by John Carlini, Field Trip Chair

An Afternoon in the Scenic Loess Hills

The Loess Hills are a rugged narrow band of hills stretching 200 miles along the east edge of the Missouri River Valley. They are formed from wind-blown glacial silt and frequently rise as high as 200 feet. The steep topography and loess soil permeability produce specialized habitats for a variety of plants and animals usually found further west. In 1986, the National Park Service (NPS) designated nearly 10,000 acres as National Natural Landmark sites, and in 1999, Congress commissioned a study to determine if this biologically unique landscape could become a National Park unit. The NPS determined the Loess Hills are nationally significant and suitable for National Park status, but designation of a park unit is not feasible because over 95 percent is privately owned, and many landowners are unwilling to sell to the federal government. Fire suppression has led to the encroachment of invasive red cedar trees, and development is also a threat to the area. Fortunately, many landowners have left the Hills intact. Some public access is available on a patchwork of areas protected as state parks and forests, county conservation areas, and private conservation preserves.

Native prairie grasses and woodlands should make the Hills a colorful place to spend the first afternoon of Autumn. Our first stop will be the Harrison County Historical Museum and Iowa Welcome Center near Missouri Valley to watch a ten minute film on the Loess Hills. We'll spend around an hour at the museum to give everyone a chance to check out the diverse collection ranging from Native American grinding stones to household items belonging to settlers. Many of the artifacts on display are from that area. A log cabin, a one room schoolhouse, and a general store are also open for viewing. The nearby Old Town Conservation Area will be our next destination where we'll hike the trails and take in the sweeping Loess Hills scenery.

Meet at **12:00 noon on Sunday, September 22**, on the south side of the State Capitol in Lincoln, 15th and H streets, across from the governor's mansion. Participants can either carpool or caravan the 75-mile trip. Bring water, snacks, sturdy walking shoes, insect repellent, and binoculars. We plan to be back in Lincoln by 6:30 p.m., but participants can return earlier. Anyone wanting to join the group at the Iowa Welcome Center located three miles northeast of Missouri Valley on Highway 30 can meet there around 1:30 p.m. There is no charge, and the public is welcome. If you have questions, call John at 402-475-7275.

Wachiska Bylaws are Being Updated

by Elizabeth Nelson, Corresponding Secretary

Wachiska's current bylaws were last revised in 2008. At the July Board meeting, updated language was approved by the Board. A vote of the membership will be taken to approve the proposed revisions at the October general meeting. Copies are available at the office or online, www.wachiskaaudubon.org. All comments should be emailed to enelson555@gmail.com and put *Bylaws Committee* in the subject line. You may also mail written, signed comments to the Wachiska office through September 30.

Wachiska's Fall 2013 Birdseed Sale

The Fall Birdseed Sale is an important Wachiska Audubon fundraiser. Your purchase will support our conservation and education efforts throughout the coming year. We count on your support.

Complete the order form on the reverse side and mail with your check.

Don't delay! Orders must be postmarked by **Monday, September 23.**

FEED MIXES

Regal Audubon Mix – sunflower hearts, peanuts, safflower seed, raisins, protein pellets

Standard Audubon Mix – white millet, sunflower seed, cracked corn, peanuts, oat groats

Classic Audubon Mix – sunflower seed/hearts, white millet, cracked corn, safflower seed, peanuts, oat groats

Attraction Audubon Mix – sunflower seed/hearts, safflower seed, peanuts, raisins, protein pellets

Woodpecker Gourmet – 75% nuts (almonds, peanuts, walnuts), pumpkin seed, corn, black oil sunflower seed/hearts, safflower seed

Bushy Tail Treat – peanuts, sunflower seed, whole corn, raisins, pumpkin seed, feed pellets. Treat your favorite backyard squirrels and keep them away from the bird feeders!

SUET CAKES

High Energy Treat – sunflower seeds, millet, cracked corn; enjoyed by most wild birds

Peanut Delight – new no-melt recipe, good for feeding even as the weather warms

Wachiska 40th Anniversary Collector T-shirts

Order a T-shirt along with your birdseed! Front shows 40th logo, back features a Johnsgard illustration and the Wachiska vision statement. See images on order form.



SEEDS

White Millet (98%) – popular with cardinals, mourning doves, house finches, juncos, sparrows

Nyjer Thistle – all-time favorite of goldfinches, house and purple finches, chickadees, juncos

Peanuts (shelled) – attractive for woodpeckers and blue jays

Peanuts in the shell – watch your bushy tail friends crack the shells to get to their favorite treat

Safflower Seed – good for house finches, chickadees, cardinals, woodpeckers; NOT FAVORED by squirrels and grackles

Sunflower Hearts – highly prized by birds and leave less mess; use coarse hearts for feeders with large openings that might allow fine hearts to drop out

Black Oil Sunflower Seed – favored by most seed-eating birds; high oil content for more energy

ORDER PICK UP DATES - MARK YOUR CALENDAR

FRIDAY, October 4
4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, October 6
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

PLEASE—Plan to pick up your order during one of these times.

Orders that are not picked up cause a lot of extra work for our volunteers, whose help we greatly appreciate! If it is totally impossible for you to pick up your seed, please call the Wachiska office to make alternative arrangements, 402-486-4846.

Order pick ups are being coordinated by Elizabeth Nelson. If you have questions during pick up hours, call Elizabeth at 402-770-3485.

Pick up location is
Midwest Roofing,
1938 Yolande Avenue
(south of 20th and
Cornhusker Highway),
Lincoln.

Additional copies of the
order form are available at
www.wachiskaaudubon.org.



Wachiska Audubon Fall 2013 Birdseed Sale Order Form

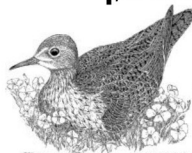
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	Bag Size	Price each	Quantity	Total Cost	
FEED MIXES	Regal Audubon Mix	35 lb bag \$ 59.00		\$	
	Standard Audubon Mix	40 lb bag \$ 32.00		\$	
	Classic Audubon Mix	20 lb bag	\$ 21.00		\$
		40 lb bag	\$ 36.00		\$
	Attraction Audubon Mix	35 lb bag \$ 38.00		\$	
	Woodpecker Gourmet	20 lb bag \$ 30.00		\$	
	Bushy Tail Treat	20 lb bag \$ 25.00		\$	
SEEDS	Millet, White	50 lb bag \$ 52.00		\$	
	Nyjer Thistle	20 lb bag \$ 24.00		\$	
	Peanuts, shelled rejects	20 lb bag	\$ 28.00		\$
		50 lb bag	\$ 66.00		\$
	Peanuts, in the shell	50 lb bag	\$ 75.00		\$
	Safflower Seed	20 lb bag	\$ 25.00		\$
		50 lb bag	\$ 52.00		\$
	Sunflower Hearts, coarse	20 lb bag	\$ 32.00		\$
		50 lb bag	\$ 66.00		\$
	Sunflower Hearts, fine	20 lb bag	\$ 32.00		\$
		50 lb bag	\$ 66.00		\$
Sunflower Seed, black oil	25 lb bag	\$ 18.00		\$	
	50 lb bag	\$ 38.00		\$	
SUET CAKES	High Energy Treat, 11.75 oz. cake	\$ 2.00		\$	
	Peanut Delight, 11 oz. cake	\$ 2.00		\$	
QTY					

T-shirts Total number of 40th Anniversary T-shirts..... \$ 18.00

Art on back of t-shirt ↓

Circle the color/size of t-shirt you want. For more than one, include a separate sheet with size/colors you would like.



THE WACHISKA AUDUBON SOCIETY
A community where the experience and love of nature is shared that life may flourish in all its natural diversity.

Cranberry red t-shirt/black ink S M L XL			
Heather grey t-shirt/maroon ink S M L XL			
Subtotal			
7% Sales tax (subtotal times .07)			
Tax deductible donation			
TOTAL ENCLOSED			\$

Name _____ Weekend Phone Number _____
Email Address _____

This form and your check must be postmarked by Monday, September 23. Make payment and mail to: **Wachiska Audubon Birdseed Sale - 4547 Calvert St, Suite 10, Lincoln NE 68506-5643**

Corporate Sponsor: Wild Bird Habitat Store Celebrating 20 Years! Two Lincoln Locations

Many thanks to our 40th Anniversary Celebration Sponsor and Donors

The Wachiska 40th Anniversary Celebration will kick off with a reception, cash bar, and silent auction from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. on September 8 at Hillcrest Country Club. All proceeds from the silent auction will help fund Wachiska prairie restoration and education activities. Many thanks to our generous donors.

Ted Kooser - Unique original handwritten manuscript page showing the complete development of a short poem by Ted Kooser, former U. S. Poet Laureate and winner of the Pulitzer Prize. Includes pen and ink sketches relating to the subject, matted and framed. Valued over \$500.

Keith Jacobshagen - Original watercolor of Nebraska landscape, framed. Valued over \$800.

Bruce Wendorff - A 24" x 30" signed limited edition photo of a great egret bringing nesting material to the Venice, Florida rookery. It is a wrapped canvas ready to hang.

Oak Creek Plants & Flowers - 10-ft. Majesty Palm including delivery to Lincoln address.

Mark Brohman - Four Lincoln Stars hockey tickets for Oct. 4.

Spring Creek Prairie Audubon Center - Family membership and special gift shop items.

Open Harvest Cooperative Grocery - \$40 gift certificate and gift basket of grocery goods.

Zipline Brewing Company - Two growlers with free-fill cards, t-shirt.

Finke Gardens - Garden art.

Ed Zimmer - Personalized Lincoln walking tour for up to 12.

Weekend stay at the Lied Lodge & Conference Center - Enjoy an overnight accommodation and breakfast for two at the stunning lodge surrounded by Arbor Day Farm in Nebraska City.

Joel Sartore Photography - 13"x19" signed bird montage print, a small signed fox print, and a signed copy of Joel's book *RARE*.

Michael Forsberg - Signed photograph.

Rowe Sanctuary - Crane viewing for two, plus t-shirt.

John Farrar - *Field Guide to Wildflowers of Nebraska and the Great Plains*, signed by the author.

Lincoln Children's Museum - Annual Family Pass.

Stock Seed Farm - Wildflower mix and ornamental prairie grass collection.

Wild Bird Habitat Store - \$25 gift card plus bird feeder, bird feed, and a field guide in a metal can with cardinals on it.

Lazos Empyrean Ales gift bucket including six-pack Empyrean Ale, \$75 restaurant gift certificate, t-shirt, two glasses, and a five-gallon keg of beer.



The Hummingbirds of North America and *Arena Birds* plus several other signed, first editions with original illustrations—true collector's items from Paul Johnsgard.

One-hour consulting from Benjamin Vogt, owner of Monarch Gardens, a native plant garden consulting business.

Autographed copy of *The Ecology and Management of Prairies in the Central United States* by Chris Helzer, prairie ecologist and program manager for The Nature Conservancy.

Neal Anderson - signed print, *Spring Sweetness*, 63 of 85, custom frame.

Neal Anderson - signed print, *Baltimore Oriole*, 251 of 500, custom frame.

Nebraska Statewide Arboretum - Prairie grass wreath, prairie plant sampler.

Custom Framing donated by *Frames for You*, 48th & Lowell

Woody Plants for the Central & Northern Prairies by Walter Bagley and Richard Sutton.

Earl May - Potted plant.

Brad Kreiger - *Looking for Sign*, graphite on paper.

Hinrichs Dentistry - Electric toothbrush, Philips Sonicare Flexcare Platinum with Sanitizer, \$200 retail value.

Beth Imig - 32" x 21" handmade hooked wool rug in fall design.

William Kloefkorn - First and last published books.

Lincoln Children's Zoo - Annual Family Zoo Pass.

Variety of other original artwork, books, and interesting items!

Give to Lincoln Day Update

by Tim Knott

Over 100 donors participated in Give to Lincoln Day May 16 by contributing to the Birdathon, our annual fundraiser. About half donated by check ahead of time while the others did so electronically at the Give to Lincoln website.

Wachiska has over 1,100 members. If just half of them contributed to our Birdathon, we could complete the fundraiser in short order. We count on you to make the Birdathon a success. You can still send in your Birdathon donation/contribution, and we will put it to good use paying for educational activities, native prairies, monthly programs, advocacy for good legislation, field trips, and many other worthwhile activities for children, adults, and families in Southeast Nebraska. Thank you to everyone who participated this year.

Listed below are the Give to Lincoln Day donors.

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Susan Dwyer	Carrie Honz	Bruce & Carolyn Riddell	

2014 Audubon Calendars Available

Once again Wachiska is taking orders for those gorgeous Audubon calendars. This time there are eight designs.

Birds of Paradise - New in 2014! Beautifully detailed photos of exotic species in their native habitats. \$12.99

Wildflowers - A mix of close ups and candid landscapes of wildflowers including informative text and range maps. \$12.99

World of Trees - A dozen magnificent trees photographed in natural environments, plus detailed text of habitat. \$12.99

Nature - Highlights of a dozen landscapes in full color. \$12.99

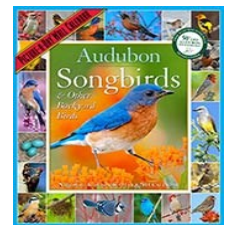
Songbirds - Favorite backyard birds. The Best-selling calendar and a gift essential. \$12.99

National Parks - A breathtaking tribute to a Dozen diverse and distinctive preserves. \$12.99

Engagement Calendar - Weekly format, spacious grids, and wire binding for easy use. Superb full-color photographs. \$13.99

Birds Gallery - Hundreds of species captured in exquisite detail and full color. Subjects photographed in natural habitats. \$15.99

Call the Wachiska office for details on ordering or see the display at the 40th Anniversary celebration.



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Lincoln Journal Star

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Membership

Wachiska offers two choices of membership. Local membership, called Friends of Wachiska, includes receiving *The Babbling Brook*, our chapter's monthly newsletter. It also includes voting privileges and attendance at monthly meetings, programs, and field trips. All membership dues from a local membership stay with Wachiska to support chapter activities such as prairie preservation and education.

Membership in the National Audubon Society also includes membership in our local chapter, Wachiska. You will receive *Audubon* magazine from National Audubon along with *The Babbling Brook*.

Friends of Wachiska (local membership)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Recruited by _____

E-mail _____

_____ \$20 Individual/Friend _____ \$50 Sustainer
_____ \$30 Families _____ \$100 Patron

Make checks payable to **Wachiska Audubon Society**. All funds remain with our local chapter. Mail to:

Wachiska Audubon Society
Attention: Membership Committee
4547 Calvert St Ste 10
Lincoln NE 68506-5643

As a conservation organization, our goal is to use our natural resources wisely. Materials and postage are considerable, and we do not want to waste them. When your address changes or if you are receiving *The Babbling Brook* and would rather not get it, please notify us at office@wachiskaaudubon.org or 402-486-4846.

OR

National Membership in National Audubon Society

Dues from new (introductory) memberships and for first-time gifts will be returned to Wachiska if this coupon is used:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Recruited by _____

E-mail _____

Enclose introductory membership fee of \$20.

Make checks payable to **National Audubon Society** and mail to:

Wachiska Audubon Society
Attention: Membership Committee
4547 Calvert St Ste 10
Lincoln NE 68506-5643

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Twilight on the Tallgrass!

Join Spring Creek Prairie Audubon Center to celebrate 15 years. Everyone is invited to enjoy the sights, sounds, and sunset at Spring Creek Prairie on September 21 from 5:00 to 10:00 p.m. for Twilight on the Tallgrass.

Pack a picnic to enjoy and then hit the trail where you can meet with various experts from biologists to artists—all who find inspiration from the dynamic community of plants and animals that make the prairie home. After the sun sets and night falls, a second trail will open where you can experience the nocturnal life and views of the prairie in the dark.

No reservations are needed for this event; a \$5/adult donation is suggested. More details about our featured guests and entertainment will be available at www.springcreekprairie.org.

Volunteers for this event are always needed. If you would like get involved contact Jamie Kelley, community education director at Spring Creek Prairie Audubon Center, 402-797-2301 or jkelly@audubon.org.

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40th Anniversary
To reserve a spot see page 2 NOW

WACHISKA AUDUBON LEADERS - 2013

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Fall Birdseed Sale

PICK-UP TIMES

Friday, October 4 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, October 6 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

See pages 3 and 4 for order form and seed descriptions.

Orders must be postmarked by the Monday, September 23 DEADLINE.

Wachiska Audubon Society's financial records are available for examination in the office.

A Gift to the Future

A bequest to Wachiska Audubon Society is a gift to future generations enabling our natural heritage to continue. For wills, trusts, and gifts, our legal name is **Wachiska Audubon Society**.

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