

GARDENING

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Pollinators**

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Matt Rupnik

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Silent Auction



DODGE COUNTY
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Door Prizes

November 2, 2024

8:15 am - 3:30 pm

**Horicon Marsh
Education Center**

N7725 Hwy 28
Horicon, Wisconsin



Pre-Registration Required
(Limited Seating)

Deadline to register: **October 11, 2024**

Visit <https://www.dodgecountymga.com>
for a Brochure and Registration Form

Questions?
Email: dcwimg@gmail.com

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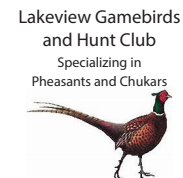
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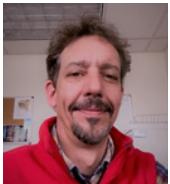




Build Habitat - Help Wildlife - David Drake URBAN DEVELOPMENT

There are many benefits to both humans and wildlife for creating, enhancing and managing habitat to support a diversity of species. David will highlight the benefits and provide tips for building habitat to support wildlife, especially in human-dominated areas. There are programs that will help homeowners learn how to develop urban wildlife habitat. One program is the National Wildlife Federation's Certified Wildlife Habitat Program. David will talk about this Program and share some research evaluating the success of Certified habitats.

David Drake is a Professor and Extension Wildlife Specialist in the Department of Forest and Wildlife Ecology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. His research and extension programs primarily focus on wildlife and wildlife damage management in human-dominated landscapes. David received his Ph.D in Forestry from North Carolina State University, a M.S. degree in Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences from Texas A&M University and a B.A degree in Biology from Macalester College.



Landscaping for Low Maintenance - Tim Ripp BACKYARD MOVEMENT

Your garden spaces can be a haven for pollinators and other wildlife, low maintenance, while being tidy and beautiful all at the same time! Join us to learn about gardening and landscaping practices that bring biodiversity to your yard while cutting back on lawnmower noise, pollution and yard waste. Tim will also touch on the 'No Mow May' movement and what the best practices are for supporting pollinators in your lawn and garden.

Tim Ripp is a Horticultural Educator and Outreach Specialist in Sauk County. Tim began his role at UW-Madison Extension Sauk County in 2021. Prior to joining Extension, Tim began his career in the landscape industry in 1998 as Landscape Designer and Project Manager. From 2008 to 2023, he owned and operated a Landscape Design/Build company. Tim enjoys sharing his love for the natural environment by showing others how to incorporate native landscapes into their everyday lives. Tim received his BED, (Bachelors of Environmental Design) College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture, U of M – Twin Cities and a Minor in Horticulture and Horticulture Design, U of M – Twin Cities.



Beneficial and Invasive Insects - Janell Wehr DELICATE BALANCE

Not all bugs are pests. In fact, out of nearly one million known insect species, only one to three percent are considered harmful. In this program, Janell will teach us how beneficial insects can assist in the garden by preying on pest insects or parasitizing them. Explore the crucial role of pollination carried out by pollinators. Uncover the delicate balance in your backyard ecosystem. After discovering why pest populations can explode, Janell will cover steps you can take to support a thriving landscape full of diverse insects.

Janell Wehr is an Extension Horticulture educator serving Marathon and Wood Counties. Her role with Extension as a county educator includes public outreach and therapeutic horticulture programs with justice involved individuals. She also provides research-based gardening information and resources to the residents in central Wisconsin.



Nocturnal Pollinators - Matt Rupnik ACTIVE NIGHTLIFE

Ever hear of the phrase 'The party doesn't start til after the sun goes down'? Well, for nocturnal pollinators, that couldn't be more true. Matt will cover some species of vertebrates and invertebrates that are nighttime pollinators as well as what types of flowers and their characteristics these important species are attracted to. He will also discuss the threats they face as well as what we can do to help them.

Matt Rupnik is currently the Director at Marsh Haven Nature Center in Waupun. Originally from Sheboygan, Matt graduated from University of Wisconsin-Green Bay with a Bachelor's degree in Biology with animal emphasis and an Environmental Science minor. After graduating, Matt worked at Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary in Green Bay as well as 4 years at a private wildlife sanctuary, Wildlife Rescue & Rehabilitation in Kendalia, TX. For most of his professional career, Matt has worked in both the captive animal and wildlife rehabilitation fields working with small mammals, reptiles, primates, large carnivores, birds (exotic and native) and domestic animals. Despite his extensive animal care experience with his new role, he is quickly learning more and more plant knowledge and hopes to continue learning more about these amazing species.

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AGENDA

- 8:15 am Check-In
Silent Auction Opens
Coffee and Donuts
- 8:45 am Welcome
Introductions
Announcements
- 9:00 am Build Habitat - Help Wildlife
David Drake
- 10:15 am Break
- 10:30 am Nocturnal Pollinators
Matt Rupnik
- 11:45 am Lunch will be provided
- 12:50 pm Silent Auction Closes
- 1:00 pm Beneficial & Invasive Insects
Janell Wehr
- 2:15 pm Break
- 2:30 pm Landscaping for Low
Maintenance
Tim Ripp
- 3:30 pm Silent Auction Winners
Closing Remarks

Please note Silent Auction Items
can be purchased with Cash or Check.
No Credit Cards Accepted.

DIRECTIONS TO VENUE

From Green Bay

Head south on Hwy 41. At Hwy 33,
go west into city of Horicon. Turn
right onto Hwy 28. Follow for 2 miles
to the Education Center.

From Milwaukee

Head north on Hwy 41. At Hwy 33,
go west into city of Horicon. Turn
right onto Hwy 28. Follow for 2 miles
to the Education Center.

From Madison

Head north on Hwy 151. At Hwy 33,
go east into city of Horicon. Turn
left onto Hwy 28. Follow for 2 miles
to the Education Center.

**When You Arrive,
Please Use Lower Level Entrance**
(Steps to Left of Visitor Center)

**Handicap Parking
Available at Lower Level**

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*Cancellations received after
October 11 will not be refunded.*



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REGISTRATION

Name _____ Per Person \$ 45.00

Address _____ Number Attending x _____

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