



## **UNCONVENTION 2023 – Saturday, November 11, 2023, UW Arboretum**

### **“PEOPLE IN WISCONSIN TALKING ABOUT BIRD STUFF”**

- 9:00 a.m. Introduction to the First WSO Unconvention
- 9:10 a.m. “The Joy of Birding” – Lynn Barber
- 9:30 a.m. “Birds of Dane County” – Chuck Henrikson
- 10:00 a.m. “Birds as Ecosystems: Parasites Reveal Insights into Host Ecology and Evolution” – Sarah A. Orlofske
- 10:30 a.m. BREAK and *Poster sessions*:  
“Internal Parasites of the American Woodcock in the Upper Midwest” – Rianna Taylor, Sydney Paoli, Roxanne Gasperetti, & Sarah A. Orlofske  
“Trematode Diversity of Wisconsin Raptors: Insights from Museum Collections” – Roxanne Gasperetti, Rianna Taylor, Tyler Truswell, & Sarah A. Orlofske
- 11:00 a.m. “Cat Island” – Tom Prestby
- 11:30 a.m. “History, management and birds at the former Badger Army Ammunition Plant” – Mike Mossman
- 12:00 p.m. LUNCH (provided)
- 12:45 p.m. Open Mic – “Favorite Bird-related Books”
- 1:00 p.m. “Madison Audubon's American Kestrel Nest Box Program” – Brand Smith
- 1:20 p.m. “Purple Martin Surveys” – Dick Nikolai
- 1:40 p.m. Q&A re Kestrel and Martin Presentations
- 2:00 p.m. BREAK and *Poster sessions*:  
“Cascading Effects of Open Oak Woodland Restoration on Forest Arthropods and Songbirds” – Maia Persche  
“Status Update on Kirtland’s Warblers, a once-endangered species, with a focus on nesting and fledgling habitat in Wisconsin” – Ashley Olah
- 2:30 p.m. Concurrently: “Beginning eBird” – Melissa Kesling  
“eBird for Experienced eBirders” – Tim Hahn
- 3:15 p.m. “Wetland Management Considerations for Birds and Other Wildlife in Wisconsin” – Tracy Hames
- 3:45 p.m. Open Mic – “Favorite WI Birding Places”
- 4:00 p.m. “Emmons Creek Bird Observatory and Ringing Station – and – Birding with a Purpose” – Bob Welch
- 4:30 p.m. Looking Ahead and Concluding Remarks