

2018 Marsh Madness Sandhill Crane Festival Schedule of Events

Friday March 2nd 2018

Venue: Carnegie Heritage & Arts Center

Marsh Madness Sandhill Crane Festival Photography Exhibit.

All photos have been taken at Goose Pond FWA. Photographers to include John Maxwell, Marty Jones, John Adams, and others. . The exhibit will run from March 2nd to March 31, 2018.

Venue: Linton Elks SR 54 E.

**Kickoff Banquet Sponsored by
Bill & Theresa Gray**

5:00PM	Doors open. Cash Bar open.
5:50PM	Welcome comments – Dane Strahle President, Friends of Goose Pond
6:00PM	Buffet dinner line opens.
7:30PM	Keynote Speaker Lizzie Condon International Crane Foundation
8:00PM	Live Auction with Auctioneer Brian Woods.
9:00PM	Closing remarks and auction checkout

Saturday March 3rd, 2018

Venue: Roy Clark Community Building in Humphreys Park

7:30AM – 7:00PM	Self-guided driving tours (see map)
8:00AM – 4:00PM	Fish King Concessions by Trent Wilkes
9:00AM – 4:00PM	Art & Craft Fair
10:00AM – 4:00PM	Live Birds of Prey display
10:00AM – 10:45AM	Hardy Lake Birds of Prey Program 1
10:00AM – 4:00PM	Wabash Valley Herpetological Society Live Reptile & Amphibian Display
2:00PM – 2:45 PM	Hardy Lake Birds of Prey Program 2

- **FESTIVAL ADMISSION TICKETS ARE REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING CABIN PRESENTATIONS AND ACTIVITIES**

Venue: Girl Scout Cabin in Humphreys Park

- 11:00AM – 11:45 AM **An Owl Pellet Activity for Kids Young and Old.** Join DNR bird biologist Amy Kearns for a hands-on investigation of the diet of the barn owl. Become a bio-detective as you dissect an owl pellet and identify their favorite prey.
- 12:00PM – 12:45 PM **The Small Mammals of GPFWA.** It is no secret that Goose Pond FWA has become a prime destination for birders and waterfowl hunters. Join retired biology teacher, and Friends of Goose Pond Secretary, George Sly and learn about some of the properties' less well known animal inhabitants.
- 1:00PM – 1:45PM **The Whooping Cranes of Goose Pond FWA.** Join us to hear James Kawlewski from the Intl. Crane Foundation explain the history of the federally endangered whooping crane in North America and learn how this rare bird has come to be a winter visitor to GPFWA.

Venue: East Cabin in Humphreys Park

- 8:30AM – 5:00PM Bus Tours of Area
- 9:00AM – 5:00PM Also at the East Cabin, *Goose Pond: The Story of a Wetland and its Neighbors.* This award winning documentary by Bill Barnes will play throughout the day.

Venue: West Shelter House in Humphreys Park

- 9:00AM – 3:00PM Kids' Activities, Bird House Construction. Sponsored by Owen County Bank of Linton. *Open to kids 12 & under who are accompanied by an adult.*

Venue: Carnegie Heritage and Art Center.

110 East Vincennes St. Linton.

- 9:00AM – 2:00PM **Goose Pond FWA Photography Exhibit**