Tallgrass Prairie Audubon Society

The Tallgrass Prairie Audubon Society is a private, nonprofit corporation affiliated with the National Audubon Society. The chapter's approximately 150 members live in east-central Iowa, primarily in Jasper, Poweshiek, Marshall, and Tama counties. The mission of Audubon is "to conserve and restore natural ecosystems, focusing on birds, other wildlife, and their habitats." To this end, the Tallgrass Prairie chapter sponsors public programs, educational activities, nature walks, bird watching outings, and a newsletter.

The chapter has two nature preserves, both open to the public. Their purchase was made possible by a bequest from Raymond Foster, a member from Brooklyn, Iowa. In 1994, the chapter established the Blue Point Woods Audubon Nature Sanctuary, a 37.5-acre woodland 10 miles southeast of Grinnell adjacent to the Bluepoint Cemetery. In 1997 the chapter purchased Camp Hawikuh, a former Camp Fire Girls property 5 miles west of Grinnell just off Hwy. 6. It is 49 acres of woodland with small prairie remnants and is named Sugar Creek Audubon Nature Sanctuary after the stream that runs through it. Several trails have been laid out through the high-quality woods, and the former dormitory building has been remodeled into a nature center.

For information call Russ Tabbert (641-236-7309) or Bob VanErsvelde (641-236-6600).

Membership

Option 1: Chapter membership only. All funds used locally. Make donation check ($10 minimum) payable to Tallgrass Prairie Audubon Society. Send to Russell Tabbert, 9 College Park Rd., Grinnell, IA 50112. You will receive the chapter newsletter but not *Audubon* magazine.

Option 2: Please enroll me in the National Audubon Society and the Tallgrass Prairie Chapter.

_____$20 :1-year introductory rate.   _____$15: 1-year student & senior
_____$30: 2-year introductory rate   introductory rate.

Make check payable to   National Audubon Society
and mail to: Membership Data Center
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