



# Third Annual Burke County Birding Festival

*At Lostwood National Wildlife Refuge*

*16 miles south of Bowbells on ND Hwy 8*

## June 20-21, 2008

### Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup>

5:45 am	<b>Climb Lostwood Tower</b>	Registration	
6:00 am		Guided Birding Tours depart from Refuge Headquarters	
9:45 am		Morning Refreshments	
10:00 am		<b>Birding 101 – How to Use Bird Identification Guides</b> Featuring Darrel Rytter	
11:00 am		<b>Piping Plover Recovery – How is it done?</b> Featuring Connie Mueller, USFWS  See the tools of the trade, if your job is a Piping Plover Biologist. Learn what is being done annually to aid these birds in fledging a higher number of chicks. Discover if it is working, and what more could be done.	
Noon		Complimentary lunch served at Lostwood NWR	
1:30 pm to 3:00 pm		<b>Prairie Wildflowers and Grasses Walk</b> with Karen Smith & Connie Mueller  Join us as we observe the waving seas of native grasses and flowers. This is the habitat that is unique and vital to the grassland birds.	<b>Junior Birder</b> with Jackie Jacobson and the Fish & Wildlife Service Team  Youth of all ages can earn a Junior Birder patch as they learn about birds and what they need. You will even build your own blue bird box to bring home.

### Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup>

5:45 am	<b>Climb Lostwood Tower</b>	Registration	
6:00 am		Guided Birding Tours depart from Refuge Headquarters	
9:45 am		Morning Refreshments	
10:00 am		<b>Bird Spotting</b> Featuring Floramay Miller  Identify many birds in a second as they fly past, dart away, or as you zoom along the road. Using a combination of basic characteristics and diagnostics even beginners can name a bird in a flash. Based on Roger Tory Peterson's common sense approach to teaching in a few hours things he learned through years of experience.	<b>Youth Wildlife Adventures</b> with Connie Mueller and the Fish & Wildlife Service Team  Take a walk on the wild side as we explore animal furs and do some exploring on the prairie. Make your own set of plaster wildlife tracks and a bird nest to bring home.
11:00 am to noon		<b>Avian Strike Team Session</b> Featuring Nate Carle  A summary of the Avian Influenza Surveillance Project in NW North Dakota & a presentation on Seabird Productivity Research in SW Alaska.	Come prepared for your safari with a hat and sun screen.  Youth Activities run until noon

*All events are free and open to the public!*

For information & registration call 701-377-5627 or online at: [www.burkecountynd.com](http://www.burkecountynd.com)

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