

Grand River Center

500 Bell Street, Port of Dubuque

9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

This FREE family event celebrates the American Bald Eagle with live bird programs and children's activities. Vendors will have wildlife art, books, nature items and food available for purchase. Exhibitors will share information about opportunities to experience nature in the Tri-State area.

9:30 - 10:15AM ILLINOIS RAPTOR CENTER Live birds of prey! 11:00 - 11:45AM **HOOS' WOODS RAPTOR CENTER** Snowy Owls & Spectacled Owl 12:15 - 1:00PM ILLINOIS RAPTOR CENTER Live birds of prey! 1:45 - 2:30PM HOOS' WOODS RAPTOR CENTER Snowy Owls & Spectacled Owl 3:00 - 3:45PM ILLINOIS RAPTOR CENTER

Questions? Call the Welcome Center at 800,798,8844

The Dubuque Eagle Watch Committee consists of members from the following: Dubuque Audubon Society, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, **Dubuque County Conservation Board, Friends of Jackson County** Conservation, National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium, City of Dubuque Leisure Services, Iowa DNR/Mines of Spain, Dubuque Area Convention & Visitors Bureau, and the JULE.

Live birds of prey!

BALD EAGLE WATCH























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THE AMERICAN BALD EAGLE

The American Bald Eagle visits the Upper Mississippi River each year from mid-December through February. As many as 2,500 eagles winter between Minneapolis, Minnesota and Saint Louis, Missouri.

Dubuque, Iowa is located on the Mississippi River at the junction of Iowa, Illinois and Wisconsin. It's a popular wintering area for bald eagles because of the abundant food and open water. Lock & Dam #11 keeps the river from freezing and provides eagles with an area to hunt their primary food source — fish.

Come and celebrate the American Bald Eagle at the Dubuque Eagle Watch on Saturday, January 21st at the Grand River Center.

DID YOU KNOW?

The largest Bald Eagle nest on record, in St. Petersburg, Florida, was 2.9 meters in diameter and 6.1 meters tall. Another famous nest—in Vermilion, Ohio—was shaped like a wine glass and weighed almost two metric tons. It was used for 34 years until the tree blew down.

SOURCE: Cornell Lab of Ornithology

All photos in brochure provided by Ken Warning of Milwaukee, WI taken in Pool 15, Mississippi River.

PROGRAMS

Illinois Raptor Center

From: Decatur, IL

Meet the Illinois Raptor Center's winged ambassadors during an exciting program that's all about raptors. There's no better way to learn about conservation and the environment than meeting live birds of prey like hawks, owls, and a bald eagle.

www.illinoisraptorcenter.org

Hoo's Woods Raptor Center

From: Milton, WI

Have a hoot meeting the stars of Hoo's Woods Raptor Center, including a snowy owl and a spectacled owl. Enjoy the opportunity to understand and appreciate these birds and their feathered friends, as well as the importance of preserving the world in which we all live.

www.hooswoods.org



ACTIVITIES

Children's Activities 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Nature related activities for children of all ages will be provided by: E.B. Lyons Interpretive Center, Swiss Valley Nature Center, Hurstville Interpretive Center, National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium.

Exhibitors & Vendors

9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Natural resource agencies and organizations will be there with educational displays and information. There will also be vendors selling nature related items and food. Vendors will include: Wildbirds Unlimited, National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium and wildlife photographers.

Shuttle - Live Eagle Watching

10:00 am - 3:30 pm

Free shuttle rides, complimentary of the Jule, will circulate every 30 minutes from the Grand River Center to the Lock & Dam #11 for LIVE eagle viewing, to the Multicultural Family Center, to the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium, and back to the Grand River Center.

