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OPEN HOUSES ARE SCHEDULED ON MANY NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES

Seen any wildlife lately? Well, you can, at national wildlife refuges.

The Interior Department's Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife announced today that open houses will be held at many national wildlife refuges across the country during the week of April 13-19 to stress the role of refuges in preserving the environment.

Varied activities are planned during each observance, which may run a single day or more. Exact dates will be announced locally by refuge managers.

Bureau Director John S. Gottschalk said: "These open houses will bring attention to the Bureau's concern for the environment and the role that the national wildlife refuges play in this subject of critical concern.

"We also plan many of these refuges in the future to be used as 'ecological classrooms,' outdoor study areas for environmental education. The areas, which will be designated after careful study, would be used by schools and other organizations interested in improving the environment," Dr. Gottschalk said.

During the open houses, activities may range from an orientation at refuge headquarters to conducted tours. Displays of Bureau publications will be included. In addition, there may be exhibits and demonstrations of specific management programs. The Bureau's role in preserving rare or endangered species will be stressed.

Last year, a record 16,309,072 visits were made to Uncle Sam's 326 refuges, which are located in 46 States.

Refuges participating in the open house program, and the refuge managers and their addresses, are as follows:

WEST

California

San Luis National Wildlife Refuge, Melvin T. Nail, Refuge Manager, Box 2176, Los Banos, California 93635 (209-826-4244).

Montana

Benton Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Eugene D. Stroops, Refuge Manager, Box 2624, Great Falls, Montana 59401 (406-452-5031).

Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Range, Frank R. Martin, Refuge Manager, Box 110, Lewistown, Montana 59457 (406-538-8707).

National Bison Range, Marvin R. Kaschke, Refuge Manager, Moiese, Montana 59824 (406-644-2354).

Ravalli National Wildlife Refuge, Howard J. Lipke, Refuge Manager, No. 5 Third Street, Stevensville, Montana 59870 (406-777-5552).

Nevada

Desert National Wildlife Range, Roger D. Johnson, Refuge Manager, 1500 North Decatur Boulevard, Las Vegas, Nevada 89108 (702-878-9617).

Oregon

Malheur National Wildlife Refuge, John C. Scharff, Refuge Manager, Box 113, Burns, Oregon 97720 (503-493-2323).

William L. Finley National Wildlife Refuge, Richard S. Rodgers, Refuge Manager, Box 208, Route 2, Corvallis, Oregon 97330 (503-753-8056).

Washington

McNary National Wildlife Refuge, M. Clair Aldous, Refuge Manager, Box 19, Burbank, Washington 99323 (509-547-4942).

Turnbull National Wildlife Refuge, Jon M. Malcolm, Refuge Manager, Box 107, Route 3, Cheney, Washington 99004 (509-235-4723).

SOUTHWEST

Colorado

Monte Vista National Wildlife Refuge, Charles R. Bryant, Refuge Manager, Box 511, Monte Vista, Colorado 81144 (303-852-2934).

New Mexico

Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge, Richard W. Rigby, Refuge Manager, Box 278, San Antonio, New Mexico 87832 (505-835-1828).

Oklahoma

Tishomingo National Wildlife Refuge, Ernest S. Jemison, Refuge Manager, Box 248, Tishomingo, Oklahoma 73460 (405-371-2402).

Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge, Julian A. Howard, Refuge Manager, Box 448, Cache, Oklahoma 73527 (405-429-3222).

Texas

Aransas National Wildlife Refuge, Gordon H. Hansen, Refuge Manager, Box 68, Austwell, Texas 77950 (512-748-5611).

Santa Ana National Wildlife Refuge, Wayne A. Shifflett, Refuge Manager, Alamo, Texas 78515 (512-787-3079).

Utah

Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge, Lloyd F. Gunther, Refuge Manager, Box 548, Brigham City, Utah 84302 (801-723-3577).

SOUTH

Alabama

Choctaw National Wildlife Refuge, Cecil E. McMullan, Refuge Manager, Box 325, Jackson, Alabama 36545 (205-246-3583).

Eufaula National Wildlife Refuge, Dennis F. Holland, Refuge Manager, Box 258, Eufaula, Alabama 36027 (205-687-4065).

Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge, Thomas Z. Atkeson, Refuge Manager, Box 1643, Decatur, Alabama 36027 (205-687-4065).

Arkansas

Big Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Bobby W. Brown, Refuge Manager, Box 65, Manila, Arkansas 72442 (501-561-3121).

Holla Bend National Wildlife Refuge, Jimmie L. Tisdale, Refuge Manager, Box 746, Russellville, Arkansas 72801 (501-968-2800).

Wapanocca National Wildlife Refuge, Joe D. White, Refuge Manager, Box 257, Turrell, Arkansas 72384 (501-343-2595).

White River National Wildlife Refuge, Raymond R. McMaster, Refuge Manager, Box 308, 704 South Jefferson Street, De Witt, Arkansas 72042 (501-946-1468).

Florida

Chassahowitzka National Wildlife Refuge, Edward Collinsworth, Refuge Manager, Route 1, Box 153, Homosassa, Florida 32646 (904-795-2201).

Lake Woodruff National Wildlife Refuge, Kent E. Myers, Refuge Manager, Box 488, Le Deon Springs, Florida 32028 (904-985-4673).

Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge, Harold J. O'Connor, Refuge Manager, Box 6956, Titusville, Florida 32780 (305-267-2640).

St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge, Horrie M. Womble, Refuge Manager, Box 68, St. Marks, Florida 32355 (904-925-6280).

St. Vincent National Wildlife Refuge, Charles F. Noble, Refuge Manager, Box 447, Apalachicola, Florida 32320 (904-653-8808).

South Florida National Wildlife Refuges, John R. Eadie, Refuge Manager, Box 278, Route 1, Delray Beach, Florida 33444 (305-732-3684).

Great White Heron National Wildlife Refuge, Jack C. Watson, Refuge Manager, Big Pine, Florida 33040 (305-872-2239).

J. N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge, William D. Wood, Refuge Manager, Sanibel, Florida 33957 (813-472-2251).

Georgia

Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge, Larry L. Calvert, Refuge Manager, Box 117, Waycross, Georgia 31501 (912-283-2580).

Piedmont National Wildlife Refuge, Thomas W. Martin, Refuge Manager, Round Oak, Georgia 31080 (912-986-3651).

SOUTH--Continued

Louisiana

Lacassine National Wildlife Refuge, James H. Roberts, Refuge Manager, Box 186, Route 1, Lake Arthur, Louisiana 70549 (318-774-2750).

Sabine National Wildlife Refuge, John R. Walther, Refuge Manager, MRH 107, Sulphur, Louisiana 70663 (318-762-5135).

Maryland

Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge, William H. Julian, Jr., Refuge Manager, Route 1, Box 121, Cambridge, Maryland 21621 (301-228-2677).

Eastern Neck National Wildlife Refuge, Edward F. Folsom, Refuge Manager, Route 2, Box 193, Rock Hall, Maryland 21661 (301-639-7415).

Mississippi

Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge, Burton S. Webster, Route Manager, Route 1, Brooksville, Mississippi 39739 (601-323-5548).

Yazoo National Wildlife Refuge, James M. Dale, Refuge Manager, Box 286, Route 1, Hollandale, Mississippi 38748 (601-839-2638).

North Carolina

Cedar Island National Wildlife Refuge, Roger H. Steiner, Refuge Manager, Box 483, Beaufort, North Carolina 28516 (919-728-3371).

Mattamuskeet National Wildlife Refuge, John P. Davis, Refuge Manager, New Holland, North Carolina 27885 (919-926-4021).

Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge, N. F. Williamson, Jr., Refuge Manager, Box 606, Manteo, North Carolina 27954 (919-987-2394).

Pee Dee National Wildlife Refuge, William C. Good, Refuge Manager, Box 780, Wadesboro, North Carolina 28170 (704-694-4424).

Pungo National Wildlife Refuge, John C. Fields, Refuge Manager, Box 267, Plymouth, North Carolina 27962 (919-793-2143).

South Carolina

Cape Romain National Wildlife Refuge, Travis H. McDaniel, Refuge Manager, Box 288, McClellanville, South Carolina 29458 (803-887-3211).

Carolina Sandhills National Wildlife Refuge, George R. Garriss, Refuge Manager, Box 130, Route 2, McBee, South Carolina 29101 (803-335-3355).

Santee National Wildlife Refuge, Melvin R. Evans, Refuge Manager, Box 186, Summerton, South Carolina 29148 (803-478-2217).

Savannah National Wildlife Refuge, Preston W. Lane, Refuge Manager, Route 1, Hardeeville, South Carolina 29927 (912-233-2315).

Tennessee

Cross Creeks National Wildlife Refuge, Carrell L. Ryan, Refuge Manager, Box 113-B, Route 1, Dover, Tennessee 37058 (615-232-7477).

Hatchie National Wildlife Refuge, Samuel W. Barton, Refuge Manager, 34 North Lafayette Street, Box 187, Brownsville, Tennessee 38012 (901-772-0501).

SOUTH--Continued

Tennessee--Continued

Reelfoot National Wildlife Refuge, John L. DeLime, Refuge Manager,
Box 295, Samburg, Tennessee 38254 (901-538-2481).

Tennessee National Wildlife Refuge, Vandiver L. Childs, Refuge Manager,
Box 849, Paris, Tennessee 38242 (901-642-2091).

Virginia

Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge, Robert E. Gilmore, Refuge Manager,
Box 6128, Virginia Beach, Virginia 23456 (703-427-1550).

Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge, J. C. Appel, Refuge Manager,
Box 62, Chincoteague, Virginia 23336 (703-336-6122).

Presquile National Wildlife Refuge, Paul D. Daly, Refuge Manager,
Box 658, Hopewell, Virginia 23860 (703-458-7541).

EAST

Massachusetts

Parker River National Wildlife Refuge, Edward S. Moses, Refuge Manager,
Northern Boulevard, Plum Island, Newburyport, Massachusetts 01950
(617-465-5753).

New Jersey

Brigantine National Wildlife Refuge, Dale T. Coggeshall, Refuge Manager,
Great Creek Road, Box 72, Oceanville, New Jersey 08231 (609-641-3126).

New York

Montezuma National Wildlife Refuge, Clayton M. Hardy, Refuge Manager,
R.D. 1, Box 232, Seneca Falls, New York 13148 (315-568-5987).

WIDWEST

Illinois

Chautauqua National Wildlife Refuge, Gerald L. Clawson, Refuge Manager,
Rural Route 2, Havana, Illinois 62644 (309-595-2290).

Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge, Loyal A. Mehrhoff, Jr.,
Refuge Manager, Box J. Carterville, Illinois 62918 (618-992-2611).

Mark Twain National Wildlife Refuge, James F. Gillett, Refuge Manager,
Box 225, Quincy, Illinois 62301 (217-224-0901 Ext. 44).

Indiana

Muscatatuck National Wildlife Refuge, Charles E. Scheffe, Refuge
Manager, Box 531, Seymour, Indiana 47274 (812-522-4352).

Iowa

Union Slough National Wildlife Refuge, Robert H. Stratton, Refuge
Manager, Box 248, Titonka, Iowa 50480 (515-928-2523).

Michigan

Seney National Wildlife Refuge, John E. Wilbrecht, Refuge Manager,
Star Route, Seney, Michigan 49883 (906-586-6504).

Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge, John R. Frye, Refuge Manager,
6975 Mower Road, Route 1, Saginaw, Michigan 48601 (517-793-2340 Ext. 431).

Minnesota

Agassiz National Wildlife Refuge, Joseph Kotok, Refuge Manager,
Middle River, Minnesota 56737 (218-449-2110).

Rice Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Carl E. Pospichal, Refuge Manager,
McGregor, Minnesota 55760 (218-768-2402).

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Minnesota--Continued

Sherburne National Wildlife Refuge, Robert G. Yoder, Refuge Manager, Box 158, Princeton, Minnesota 55371 (612-389-3323).

Tamarac National Wildlife Refuge, Claude R. Alexander, Refuge Manager, Rural Route, Rochert, Minnesota 56578 (218-847-4355).

Upper Mississippi River Wildlife and Fish Refuge, Donald V. Gray, Refuge Manager, 405 Exchange Building, Box 226, Winona, Minnesota 55987 (507; Winona 4232).

Missouri

Clarence Cannon National Wildlife Refuge, Don E. Adams, Refuge Manager, Box 88, Annada, Missouri 63330 (314-847-2333).

Mingo National Wildlife Refuge, John E. Toll, Refuge Manager, Rural Route 1, Box 9A, Puxico, Missouri 63960 (314-222-3686).

Squaw Creek National Wildlife Refuge, Harold H. Burgess, Refuge Manager, Box 101 Mound City, Missouri 64470 (816-442-3570).

Swan Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Robert H. Timmerman, Refuge Manager, Box 68, Sumner, Missouri 64681 (816-856-3323).

Nebraska

Valentine National Wildlife Refuge, Ned I. Peabody, Refuge Manager, Kennedy Star Route, Valentine, Nebraska 69201 (402-376-1889).

North Dakota

Arrowwood National Wildlife Refuge, Arnold D. Kruse, Refuge Manager, Rural Route #1, Edmunds, North Dakota 58434 (701-285-4122).

Audubon National Wildlife Refuge, David C. McGlauchlin, Refuge Manager, Rural Route 1, Coleharbor, North Dakota 58531 (701-442-3921).

Des Lacs National Wildlife Refuge, James E. Frates, Refuge Manager, Box 578, Kenmare, North Dakota 58746 (701-385-4468).

Lake Ilo National Wildlife Refuge, Chesley M. Dinkins, Refuge Manager, Dunn Center, North Dakota 58626 (701-548-447).

J. Clark Salyer National Wildlife Refuge, Robert C. Fields, Refuge Manager, Upham, North Dakota 58789 (701-768-32223).

Slade and Long Lake National Wildlife Refuges, E. Marvin Mansfield, Refuge Manager, Dawson, North Dakota 58428 (701-327-6295).

Sullys Hill National Game Preserve, Dave E. Goeke, Refuge Manager, Fort Totten, North Dakota 58335 (701-662-7621).

Tewaukon National Wildlife Refuge, Herbert G. L. Troester, Refuge Manager, Rural Route 1, Cayuga, North Dakota 58067 (701-765-2603).

Upper Souris National Wildlife Refuge, John M. Dahl, Refuge Manager, Rural Route 1, Foxholm, North Dakota 58738 (701-468-7912).

MIDWEST--Continued

Ohio

Ottawa and Cedar Point National Wildlife Refuges, Alfred O. Manke, Refuge Manager, Rural Route 3, Oak Harbor, Ohio 43449 (419-897-2521).

South Dakota

Lacreek National Wildlife Refuge, Victor M. Hall, Refuge Manager, South Rural Route, Martin, South Dakota 57551 (605; Martin 2651).

Lake Andes National Wildlife Refuge, Ralph F. Fries, Refuge Manager, Box 396, Lake Andes, South Dakota 57356 (605-487-7603).

Madison Wetland Management Office, David L. Gilbert, Refuge Manager, Box 48, Madison, South Dakota 57042 (605-256-2974).

Sand Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Lyle J. Schoonover, Refuge Manager, Rural Route, Columbia, South Dakota 57433 (605-885-3351).

Waubay National Wildlife Refuge, Robert R. Johnson, Refuge Manager, Rural Route 1, Waubay, South Dakota 57273 (605-947-4695).

Wisconsin

Horicon National Wildlife Refuge, Robert G. Personius, Refuge Manager, Route 2, Mayville, Wisconsin 53050 (414-387-2658).

Necedah National Wildlife Refuge, David J. Brown, Refuge Manager, Star Route, Necedah, Wisconsin 54646 (608-565-2551).

NOTE: Open only after April 15: De Soto National Wildlife Refuge, James W. Salyer, Refuge Manager, Route 1B, Missouri Valley, Iowa 51555 (712-642-2036).