SPEAKERS' BUREAU

The Speakers' Bureau has been established and is in operation. Formed as a vehicle for increasing public awareness of the Oxbow-Hardintown-Horseshoe Bottoms area as a unique and valuable resource, the bureau also functions to advance the goals and membership of Oxbow, Inc. Under the chairmanship of Donna Wagner, OXBOW, inc. local schools, clubs and organizations in Ohio and Indiana have been contacted and offered the services of this bureau.



Save the Oxbow Society

An educational and informative slide presentation has been developed which depicts the benefits of the area to waterfowl and wildlife with emphasis on the ecological importance of the floodplain and the desirability of maintaining the area for agricultural and recreational activities. Membership recruitment and active participation in Oxbow, Inc. will be encouraged. The speakers are Bonnie Fancher, Jerry Johnson, Morris Mercer, Gary Orendorff and Barry Wakeman.

If you are aware of an organization interested in hearing this program, please contact Donna Wagner at 513-831-7606. 5

RESEARCH COMMITTEE

The Research Committee, headed by Dave Styer, has sent out inFormational packets to approximately 20 research biologists with the request they apply for grants from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources to do field work in the Oxbow-Hardintown-Horseshoe Bottoms area. Deadlines for 1986 grants are November 1 for the Division of Natural Areas and Preserves and December 1 for the Division of Wildlife. Because of the October deadline for the Indiana DNR, requests for grants will be made in 1987.

Biologists are requested to work in categories which include inventories of all species of mammals, vascular plants, moths and butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, aquatic and terrestial invertibrates as well as a complete geological survey and a study of the feasibility of stocking and providing artificial nests for Bald Eagles, Ospreys, Barn Owls and others. These inventories, surveys and studies will provide Oxbow, Inc. with a broad base of data and will play an essential role in strengthening our ability to demonstrate the value of preserving the entire ecosystem.

Local academic biologists presently enroled in Indiana colleges and interested in doing field work under the Small Grant Program of IDNR in 1987 can contact David Styer, Department of Mathematical Sciences, ML 025, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH 45221 or call 513-475-3461 for more information.

ELECTIONS

Elections will be held January 14th at the general membership meeting. All nominations for Trustee positions should be directed to Art Wiseman, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, by December 1st.

SCHEDULED EVENTS

November Field Trip - Sunday, November 2nd, 2:30 PM. Meet Morris Mercer at the Shawnee-Lookout boat ramp. We'll go to the overlook area for an aerial view of the Oxbow. Bring binoculars and 'scopes. Motor vehicle permit required.

November Meeting - Tuesday, November 11th, 7:30 PM at the Education Building of the Cincinnati Zoo. Enter through the exit gate on Erkenbrecker Avenue.

December Meeting - Tuesday, December 9th, 7:30 PM at the Lawrenceburg Public Library. December Field Trip - Saturday, December 13th. Oxbow, Inc. members will join others for the Hamilton County Parks annual bird count. To participate, call Morris Mercer 513-941-2534 or Art Wiseman 513-481-4302. Motor vehicle permit required.

Any information to be placed in the January-February Newsletter must be sent to Norma Flannery, 4137 Jamestown Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45205 no later than December 15th.

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A non-profit organization formed by conservation groups and concerned citizens of Ohio and Indiana for the purpose of preserving and protecting a wetlands area known locally as the Oxbow, Hardintown or Horseshoe Bottoms, from future industrial development and to preserve the floodplain at the confluence of the Great Miami and Ohio Rivers for use as a staging area for the seasonal migrations of waterfowl. This is an area rich in geological, archaeological and anthropological history.

Help us save this unique wetland. You can make your state a richer place in which to live by helping us preserve this precious resource.

Membership in Oxbow, Inc. is solicited and encouraged.

Individual \$10 Supporting \$15 Organization/Club \$25	Family Patron		Contributing Cornerstone	* - --

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