

Space is limited to 80 attendees.

Register now!

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Number in Party: _____ ADULTS _____ STUDENTS
Email: _____
Organization: _____
City/State/Zip: _____

Interested in earning college graduate credit for participating in the bird tour? YES NO
Contact Dr. Kristel Bakker for more information: 605-256-5182 or Kristel.Bakker@dsu.edu.

Please mail registration form and \$20 per person OR \$35 per couple (if accompanying a student) to:

Judge Jessop
24690 299th Ave. Presho, SD 57568
605-280-0127

For planning purposes, registration form and fee must be received by June 10, 2011.

Make copies of this form as needed.

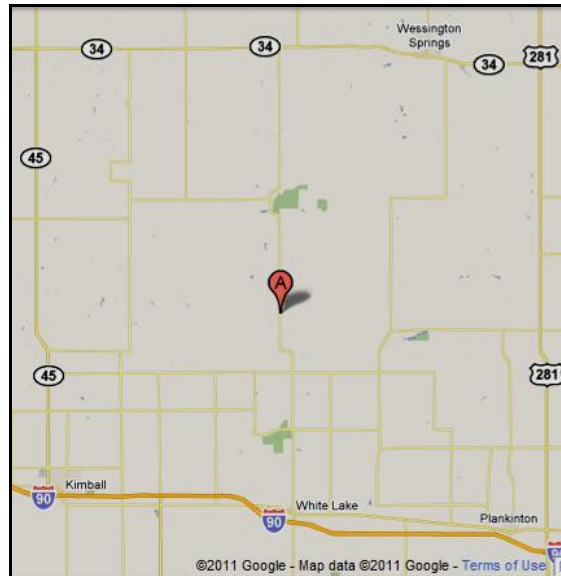
Driving Directions to the Headley Ranch:

From White Lake, SD

190 - Exit 296: Turn north and travel through White Lake's Main Street; continue north 11.5 miles to the Underwood Church (located on the west side of the road).

From Wessington Springs, SD

Travel 8 miles west on Hwy 34 to 373rd Ave. (Crow Lake Road, a paved road)
Turn south and travel 11 miles to the Underwood Church (located on the west side of the road).



Contact Information:

Jim & Christine Headley
24155 372nd Ave.
White Lake, SD 57383
605-249-2658

Birds. At Home, On the Range.

2011 Bird Watching Tour



Photo courtesy: US Fish & Wildlife Service

June 17th -18th

Headley Ranch • White Lake, SD

Hosted by:
South Dakota Grassland Coalition

Birds. At Home, On the Range.

**All times are central daylight time*

Friday, June 17th:

Gather at the Underwood Church	3:00 – 3:30 pm
Welcome <i>Dave Steffen, Retired NRCS Range Specialist</i>	3:30 – 3:45
Introduction to the SD Grassland Coalition <i>Jim Faulstich/ Dale Paulson</i>	3:45 – 4:00
Headley Ranch History <i>Jim Headley</i>	4:00 – 4:30
The Prairie is My Garden <i>Colette Kessler, USDA-NRCS Public Affairs Specialist</i>	4:30 – 5:00
Kids' Activities <i>Nancy Drilling, Rocky Mountain Bird Observatory</i>	5:00 - 6:00
Bird Identification <i>Silka Kempema, SD Game, Fish and Parks</i>	5:00 – 5:30
BBQ and Refreshments—Underwood Church	5:30 – 6:15
Habitat Presentation: Grassland Birds <i>Kristel Bakker, Dakota State University</i>	6:15 – 7:00
Split into Groups with Leaders	7:00 – 7:15
Bird Watch/Record Species (optional)	7:15 – 8:30

Saturday, June 18th:

Sunrise Coffee and Rolls	6:00 – 6:30 am
Bird Watch/Record Species with Group	6:30 – 10:15
Groups Rotate to Different Stations:	
1. The How & Why of Banding Birds <i>Eileen Dowd Stukel, SD Game, Fish and Parks</i>	
2. Invertebrate Station <i>Gary Marrone, Retired SD Game, Fish and Parks</i>	
3. Nest Dragging <i>Kristel Bakker and Jason Thiele</i>	
4. Plant Identification <i>Dave Ode, SD Game, Fish and Parks</i>	
Break/Discuss Bird Group Highlights <i>Participants submit photos to Silka for slideshow</i>	10:15 – 10:30
Samples of Good Bird Photos <i>Cindy Eilers</i>	10:30 – 11:00
Kids' Activity <i>Nancy Drilling</i>	11:00 – 12:00
Birds and Cows: Putting Them Together <i>Kristel Bakker</i>	11:30 – 12:00
Lunch and Slideshow	12:00 – 12:45
The Grass Manager's View <i>Jim Headley</i>	12:45 – 1:15
Closing Comments and Discussion	1:15 – 2:00



Headley Ranch

A majestic bald eagle at the Headley Ranch.

Welcome to central South Dakota! The mixed-grass prairies, farmland, isolated woodlands and wetlands in this area provide excellent habitat for numerous bird species—including waterfowl, songbirds and grassland birds.

The South Dakota Grassland Coalition invites you to take a journey to view the abundant populations of birds that make their home on the Headley Ranch, located near White Lake, SD.

While on the two-day tour, you'll watch and record bird species, hear presentations from land owners and conservation experts, and you'll learn first-hand how management practices are benefitting both livestock and South Dakota's native feathered friends.

To pre-register, complete the attached registration form and mail your registration fee to the South Dakota Grassland Coalition. Space is limited. For planning purposes, please submit your registration information by Saturday, June 10, 2011.

For more information, call Justin "Judge" Jessop, 605-280-0127 or email jjessop@sdconservation.org.

Cost:

\$20 /person or \$35/ couple (*if accompanying a student*)

Students—high school age and under—are free

* *Fee includes materials, shuttle, and meals

Send registration form and payment to:

Justin "Judge" Jessop

24690 299th Ave.

Presho, SD 57568

Cancellation:

Sorry, no refunds after June 10, 2011

Birders, please bring:

Digital camera—your photos will be featured in Saturday's slideshow

Shoes and clothing for all weather conditions

Lodging:

Participants are welcome to camp or tent at the Headley Ranch. Call Jim or Christine at 605-249-2658 to make arrangements.

Geyer's Guest House B&B, White Lake—605-249-2162

Hanten Hunting Lodge, White Lake—605-249-2662

Siding 36 Motel & RV Park, White Lake—605-249-2295

Steichen Hunting Lodge, White Lake—605-249-2175

Dakota Winds, Kimball—605-778-6215

Super 8 Motel, Kimball—605-778-6088

Wings of Thunder, Kimball—605-778-6842

Smart Choice Inn, Plankinton—605-942-7722