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International Migratory Bird Day FREE Family Workshop May 9th

Ever wish you could identify that beautiful raptor flying overhead or sitting on your backyard feeder?

In celebration of International Migratory Bird Day the partners of the Rice Lake Plains Joint Initiative are leading an outdoor excursion and free family workshop to educate local landowners on the birds in their community and how to conserve and restore their habitat.

An early morning bird walk through the Alderville Black Oak Savanna will take a look at the grassland birds of the Rice Lake Plains. A workshop will follow on identifying raptors in the Rice Lake Plains lead by Mark Stabb, Central Ontario Program Manager with the Nature Conservancy of Canada. Also hear a presentation on birds in culture by Janine McLeod, Education and Outreach Coordinator with the Alderville Black Oak Savanna.

The workshop will be held on Saturday, May 9th starting at the Alderville Community Centre, 8913 Hwy 45, 20 minutes north of Cobourg. Please join us for one, or all, of the activities – early morning bird walk starting at 8 am, followed by the workshop at 9:45 am and the option to tour the spectacular, protected prairie and savanna habitats of the Nature Conservancy of Canada at 12:30 pm. Please meet at the Community Centre for all activities.

Light refreshments will be provided but please bring your lunch and binoculars.

The Nature Conservancy of Canada and Alderville First Nation are running this free workshop with support from partners in the Rice Lake Plains Joint Initiative and the Caring for the Moraine project. The event is funded in part thanks to generous support from the Oak Ridges Moraine Foundation.

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