



Potholes & Prairie Birding Festival

June 4-8, 2008



Carrington, ND

Additional Information for Festival Registrants:

Where to stay?

The **Chieftain Conference Center**, festival headquarters, is located at 60 4th Ave. S. (Hwy. 281), Carrington, ND; 701.652.3131. Please make your own accommodation reservations; rooms will be released mid- May, 2008. Reservations can also be made just across the street at the **Carrington Inn & Suites**; 701.652.3982. Make sure and mention the birding festival when making reservations.

What to expect on the bus tours:

All bus tours will depart from the **Chieftain Conference Center** (except the **Bird Watching for Beginners** tour, which will depart from the Putnam House).

Although some bus travel will be on pavement, the majority will be on gravel roads. Buses will make frequent stops (based on the guides' discretion), where birders will have the opportunity to get out and observe a variety of bird species. Expect some off-trail walking through tall grass over varied, but mostly flat terrain.

Wear comfortable, waterproof/resistant boots or shoes. Knee-length rubber boots might be something to add to the list because of the heavy dew which coats the grass in the mornings. We do advise you bring your rubber boots if you've got them. Also, it is recommended that birders dress in layers, as the weather varies from cold (mornings) to hot (midday).

Come prepared for insects (including ticks and mosquitoes), sun or rain!

Tour buses are not always equipped with lavatory facilities, so there will be designated rest stops during each tour. Due to the fact that these tours are in extremely rural areas, the somewhat limited facilities will include local establishments such as cafes and gas stations, or **port-a-potties**. When done discreetly, it is also acceptable to utilize the great outdoors for this task.

Tour bus capacity will vary. Lunch and a small snack are included with all tours, but birders are welcome and encouraged to bring along additional snacks.

**Time, locations, guides, and program offerings
are subject to change.**

Let us know about any special needs
and we will do our best to accommodate you.