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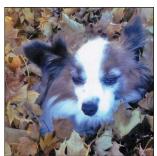


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Some of the avian denizens of the Lewis and Clark Lake Area during the winter season include, FAR LEFT: the Downy Woodpecker; CEN-TER: White-breasted Nuthatch and Dark-Eyed Junco; and RIGHT: the Black Capped Chickadee. (Courtesy photos)

Bird's-Eye Views

The L&C Lake Area Is A Prime Spot For Winter Birdwatching

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fficials at the Lewis & Clark Recreation Area want area residents to know that winter is for the birders.

The park is offering the opportunity to experience winter bird watching through a "selfguided hike" that leads people to a variety of different species of wintering birds.

"It's a good way to get out and get some exercise and see nature in the winter," said

Shane Bertsch, district park supervisor. The 1.5-mile trail loop begins at the recreation area's Welcome Center and moves west through the campground, utilizing park roads, the bike trail and some grassy areas.

"Most of the trail is along the wooded areas, so you're protected from the wind for most of it, which is nice," Bertsch said.

The park supervisor said the loop was created with the assistance of Roger Dietrich, a local bird enthusiast and photographer. Dietrich organizes the annual Christmas bird count in Yankton and has experience birding at the Lewis & Clark Recreation Area.

"There's some places where birds are usually hanging out in the winter, and we placed feeders in those areas to concentrate the birds and make it easier for people to see them," Dietrich said.

Bertsch said that all one needs to enjoy the trail is good pair of binoculars. Birding brochures and a registration book are located outside the Welcome Center park office door.



KELLY HERTZ/P&D

The bald eagle is one of the most popular birds to spot in and around the Lewis and Clark Lake Area during the winter months, but there are also many other species that can be seen. Lake Area officials are now promoting the park as a prime birdwatching destination, particularly during the winter months.

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This Week at

1 PM - 5 PM

8:00 AM

10:00 AM 4:15 PM

7:00 PM

9:30 PM

10:00 AM

2:00 PM

4:00 PM

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4:00 PM	Men's Basketball - Presentation College - Home

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Classes Resume Community Hour Gregorian Club Meeting - R202 Mount Marty Choral Union Rehearsal Bistro (Bede Hall 127) Rosary - Peace Chapel

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10:00 AM	Community Hour and Mass
6:00 РМ	Women's Bas ke tball - Dakota Wesleyan University - Away
7:00 PM	M.Ed. Informational Open House - MMC Watertown
8:00 PM	Men's Baske tb all - Dakota Wesley an University - Away

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Women's Basketball - Midland University - Away Men's Basketball - Midland University - Away Indoor Track - Dordt University Invite - Away

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