

**Wachiska Audubon Society**  
**Basic Facts and Figures**  
**July 2019**

***History:***

- Local chapter of National Audubon Society
- Founded in 1973
- Management and conservation responsibilities for 32 pieces of land, totaling approximately 920 acres throughout 16 counties.

***Current Organizational Structure:***

- Five officers (President\*, Vice President\*, Treasurer\*, Recording Secretary\*, Immediate Past President\*), three Directors at Large\*, and Audubon Nebraska representative\*
- Program Committees:
  - Conservation\*
  - Education\*
  - Field Trip\*
  - Legislation\*
  - Membership\*
  - Population/Environment\*
  - Program
- Service Committees
  - Finance
  - Fundraising\*
  - Hospitality
  - Publications
  - Publicity/Public Relations

\*Voting Board member

***Members:***

- Localized National Audubon members automatically become members of Wachiska Audubon Society
  - Wachiska receives approximately \$2/member/annually from membership dues
    - \$2,500/year received is used for annual operating budget
    - Current estimate is 1,200 members
  - Friends of Wachiska
    - Separate membership level
    - Annual dues vary and are determined by the individual
    - 100% of dues are used for annual operating budget
    - Current estimate is 330 Friends

***Finances:***

- Fiscal year is January-December
- Annual Operating Budget over past several years has averaged \$90,000/year.
- Major annual revenue categories:
  - Birdathon and Give to Lincoln Day - \$20,000
  - Prairie income (hay, CRP payment, rent, seed collection, etc.) - \$35,000
  - Membership (Friends) - \$14,000
  - Birdseed sales and Backyard Garden Tour - \$7,000
- Major annual expense categories:
  - Prairie restoration/maintenance (prescribed burns, invasive removal, etc.) - \$35,000
  - Administration - \$38,000
  - Publications - \$4,000
  - Birdseed sales and Backyard Garden Tour - \$3,500
  - Birdathon - \$1,575
- Assets:
  - Five accounts with Lincoln Community Foundation (Land Purchase, Prairie Defense, Special Projects, Prairie Management and Prairie Management Designated) - \$580,000
  - One Account with Nebraska Community Foundation - \$132,000
  - Checking account - \$68,000
  - Fixed Assets (equipment and land) - \$606,000