

# Field Notes

July 2022



Photo: Fireweed in July on the Refuge. Photo by Grace Nelson.

Greetings Friends!

The fireweed is in full bloom and the Refuge is bustling with life!

The Design Alaska Wild Arts Walk and Creamer's Dairy Day wrapped up earlier this month. Thank you to all who attended!

Camp Habitat is in its last week after four full weeks of summer camp. We are also celebrating 30 years of Camp Habitat on Saturday, June 23rd from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at Creamer's Field. All are welcome to attend. More information is listed below.

The 25th Annual Tanana Valley Sandhill Crane Festival is right around the corner. This year we welcome Rowe Sanctuary's Bill Taddicken as our festival speaker and Alaska Camera's Thomas Payer as our festival photographer. The schedule will be published soon, so keep an eye on our website for more information.

As we are a little over halfway through 2022, I want to take a minute to thank you, our supporters. You have made this year one to remember and we cannot thank you enough for your support.

See you at the Refuge!

**Grace & Melanie**  
Friends of Creamer's Field Staff

## Camp Habitat Open House - TOMORROW!

Join Camp Habitat in their 30th anniversary celebration!

Stop by Creamer's Field this Saturday, July 23rd from 10:00am- 4:00pm. There will be a short ceremony at 12:00 p.m.



## Celebrate 30 years of Camp Habitat!

Saturday, July 23rd | 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Creamer's Field Migratory Waterfowl Refuge



**Songs • Memories • Games • Hikes • Celebration • Food**



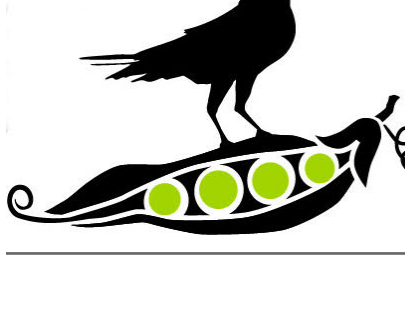
## \$30 for 30 Years!

Celebrate 30 years of Camp Habitat by donating \$30 (or more).



Every summer since 1990, local children have enjoyed guided explorations of the forests, fields, ponds, and other wetlands on the refuge. Campers learn about the natural history of Interior Alaska through engaging activities, games, hikes, projects, and guest speakers. They explore the natural world through themes such as plants, animals, birds, fish, habitats, and people and the environment.

Help meet our goal of raising \$3,000 in 30 days!



## Lend-a-Hand to Friends of Creamer's Field

Support Friends of Creamer's Field and get your grocery shopping done at the same time!

Round up your grocery bill at the Co-op Market Grocery & Deli on Gaffney Road during the month of July to support Creamer's Field.

## Design Alaska Wild Arts Walk

Thank you to everyone who came out to the Design Alaska Wild Arts Walk on June 26. We had an amazing turnout and enjoyed a gorgeous day on the refuge. A very special thank you goes to all of the wonderful artists who came out and shared their talents with us!



## Creamer's Dairy Day

Creamer's Dairy Day was a huge success! Over 500 people attended the July 17 event at Creamer's Field. Alaska Range Dairy brought Princess (top left) and Rowdy (bottom right) to meet visitors. Attendees also enjoyed crafts, games, ice cream, and a historic barn complex tour.

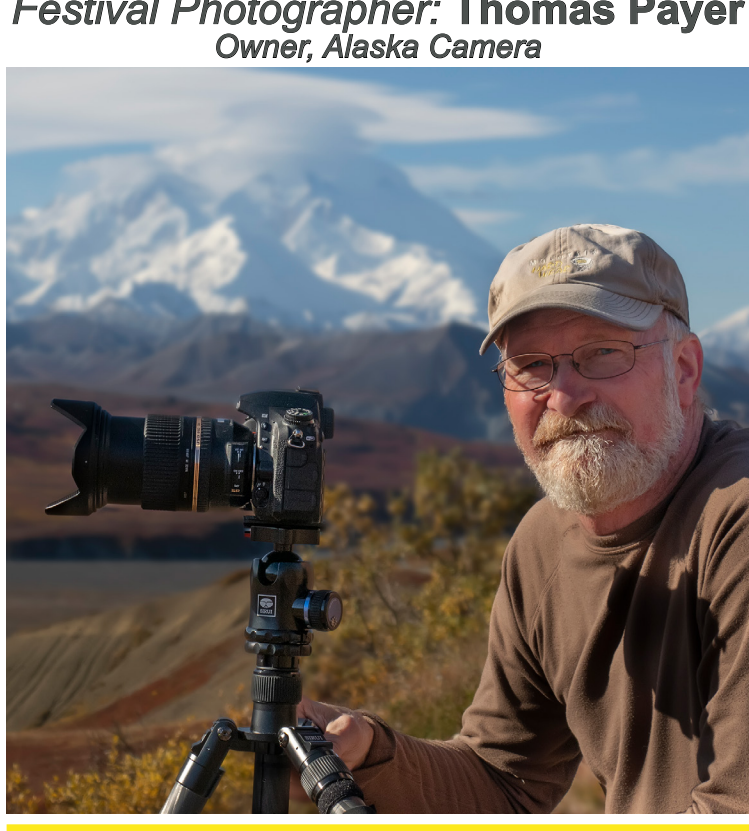


## Tanana Valley Sandhill Crane Festival

Nature Walks Bird Watching Workshops Kids Activities



**Festival Photographer: Thomas Payer**  
Owner, Alaska Camera

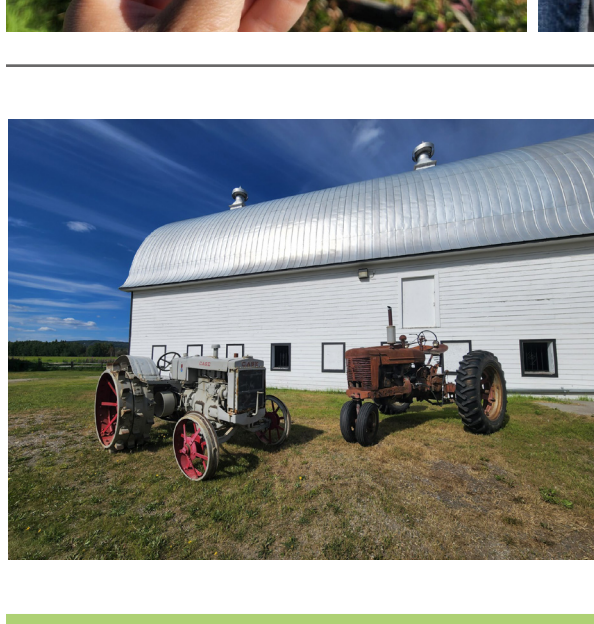
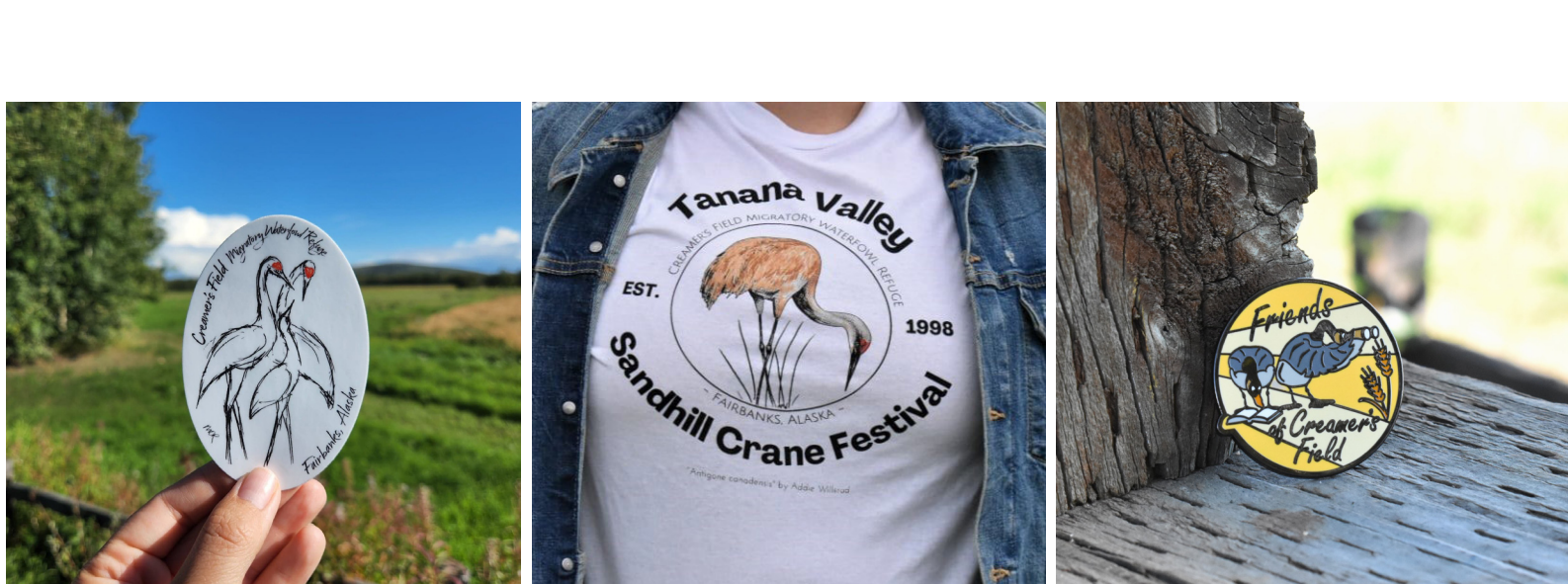


**Festival Speaker: Bill Taddicken**  
Director, Audubon's Rowe Sanctuary



## Friends of Creamer's Field Online Store

Check out the new items available on our online store!



## Thank you for being a Friend!

In addition to allowing us to provide our Refuge programs and events at no charge, your donations have allowed us to do much more! Additional projects include outhouse cleaning to enable four outhouses to remain open year-round, dairy roof painting, and trail repair. With your help, we have so much more planned for 2023!



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## Mission Statement

"Inspiring environmental stewardship and lifelong learning through experience, awareness, appreciation and conservation of the natural and historic resources of Creamer's Field Migratory Waterfowl Refuge."

