

2020 Friends of Iroquois National Wildlife Refuge, Inc.

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Membership Request/Donation

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e-mail*	*Please include *
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Membership Levels	
O Double Eagle \$1,000	Please mail memberships to:
O Bald Eagle \$500 O Heron \$200 O Bluebird \$100 O Red Fox \$75 O Raccoon \$50 O Family \$25 O Business Sponsor \$50 minima Gift Membership Request*	Friends of Iroquois NWR, Inc. 1101 Casey Road Basom, NY 14013 (585)-948-5445 Make checks payable to: FINWR, Inc. Please remember FINWR with a bequest in your will. Cash Credit Check
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Volunteering at Iroquois National Wildl	e Refuge
I am interested in volunteering at the ref	ge (someone will contact you): YES NO



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Supporting of Iroquois National Wildlife Refuge, Inc. (FINWR)

- Iroquois National Wildlife Refuge (INWR) is visited by an estimated 50,000 people each year. These visitors include hikers, bird watchers, hunters, anglers, photographers, students of conservation and wildlife and those seeking a simple walk in nature.
- Donations to FINWR may qualify for matching funds.
- Donations are tax deductible. FINWR is a registered 501(c) (3) not-for-profit organization. Check with your tax advisor.
- INWR is the only National Wildlife Refuge in Western New York

Projects completed or initiated by Friends of Iroquois NWR, Inc.:

- Provided <u>camera equipment</u> so that the public and staff can view live kestrels, bluebirds, tree swallows, purple martins during the breeding and nesting season with no disturbance to the birds.
- Donated \$25,000 to assist INWR with an <u>educational trailer</u> which is being used for outreach.
- Partnership funding with the National Fish & Wildlife Foundation for a new <u>Handicap Fishing Dock</u>.
- <u>Swallow Hollow Nature Trail</u> completed and dedicated. FINWR provided partnerships, financing, planning and volunteer hours to complete this \$500,000 project, which is now used for pleasure and educational programs. There is now a <u>Guide-by-Cell</u> opportunity along this trail!
- Provided benches, interpretive signs and rehabilitation for <u>Kanyoo Trail</u> so that visitors can view wildlife and nature. Partnered with the Boy Scouts, Iroquois Job Corps, and HSBC for this project.
- FINWR continues to support the new <u>Headquarters Trail</u> available near the Visitor Center.
- <u>Water control</u> structure purchased and installed on Cayuga sub-impoundment to enhance shore bird habitat and wildlife viewing and supported Ducks Unlimited with the <u>Seneca Pool Restoration</u>.
- Supported the Canisius Ambassadors for Conservation program which over 10 years *introduced 18,803* school children and adults to the N.W. Refuge System, giving them an understanding of nature, biodiversity and conservation. Canisius students are assisting in updating the Guide-by-Cell project.
- Funded: drilling of a well which monitors ground water levels and MOTUS Wildlife Tracking System.
- Supporting educational opportunities for volunteers (American Kestrel Symposium, Regional Training).
- Volunteers generally contribute several thousand hours of service each year.
- FINWR continues to support <u>special events</u> such as the Youth Fishing Derby, the Spring Into Nature Open House, Iroquois Observations program, Youth Waterfowl Orientation Day, Annual Photo Contest, Purple Martin Program, Bluebird Banding, Oak Orchard Audubon Christmas Bird Count, NYS Ornithological Association Conference, roadside trash pickup, and various outreach events.
- <u>The Flyway Nature Store</u> provides nature related gifts and books with profits being used to support the projects and mission of the refuge.
- FINWR continues to expand membership and seek donations.

2020 Event		