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### **Free Birding Boat Tours**

Harlan County Lake, Prairie Dog Bay, and Republican River west of Alma; daily March 23-31 (weather permitting), sponsored by the Harlan County Lake Association; **register at our Rivers & Wildlife Conference exhibit or via [harlancountytourism@yahoo.com](mailto:harlancountytourism@yahoo.com) or by phone 800-762-5498**

# **Harlan White Pelican Watch**

**March 1 - April 15, 2012; Harlan County, Nebraska**

View the American White Pelican Spring Migration at the Harlan County Reservoir.

## **White Pelican Homecoming Celebration - March 23-31**

- **Alma Chamber of Commerce Spring Fling** - March 23 - 4-8 p.m.; stores stay open late; spaghetti feed, business booths at auditorium, wagon rides, and more.
- **Paradise on the Prairie Art Show and Silent Art Auction**  
March 23-31; Alma Johnson Center; auction closes 6 pm. March 30; includes special art auction fundraiser for Peckernock Horse Trail.
- **"Migrations" Art Installation by Tricha Wiese** - Large professional installation of fabric, collage and painting; March 23-31; Alma Johnson Center
- **Jack Gladstone, Blackfeet Troubadour presents "American Indians and the Environment"** - Music, poetry, and storytelling by a critically acclaimed national performer; March 25, 3:00 p.m., Orleans Ag Center. Free admission!
- **"Welcome Home White Pelicans!"** Public & Artists' Reception - March 30, 7 p.m. Nelsen's Landing/North Shore, where you can view pelicans and other shorebirds from indoors! More details on the reception will be on our website soon.
- **Funky Pelican Sculpture Contest - cash prizes** - registration form and guidelines on our website - reg. by 3/1, sculptures in place by 3/31; Johnson Center, Alma
- **PLUS** - Sales and specials at some area businesses all week; **free dam tours** by arrangement with U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 308-799-2105; **Harlan Perpetual Art Show** at 13 businesses across the county; **free birding boat tours** all week - see note at left; and **world-class, free, easily self-guided lake, river & prairie birding year-round** - trail and site maps available on our website or by mail.
- **Early kick-off event: Dinner & a Movie - Parrot Theatre fundraiser, March 16**