

Closeup: Larry Stone

Larry Stone never outgrew a fascination with playing in the creek on the Iowa farm where he grew up. After 25 years as outdoor writer/photographer for the Des Moines Register, he now is a freelance nature writer, photographer, and lecturer. Larry and his wife, Margaret, live in the hills along the Turkey River near Elkader. They have two grown children, and four grandchildren who love to play in the dirt.

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Photo Courtesy of Larry Stone

Stone says:

“What a wonderful world!”

I often think of those words from my favorite song when I’m photographing or writing about nature. My goal is to create a visual or mental image that helps the viewer/reader get in touch with his or her natural surroundings. If I need motivation, I take a walk in the woods or prairie.



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“What a thousand acres of Silphiums looked like when they tickled the bellies of the buffalo is a question never again to be answered and perhaps not even asked.”

~Aldo Leopold



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