



The Goldfinch

Daviess County
Audubon Society

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The John James Audubon Museum:
“An Encounter
with a National Treasure”

Sept 6, 2016 Program Note:

– All programs are now at the Owensboro Museum of Science and History

“ J J AUDUBON STATE PARK; BIRDS AND MUSEUM ”

This Tuesday, September 6th, at 7 pm, will begin our monthly 2016-2017 program season.

It will highlight the development of the John James Audubon Museum from its beginnings in the 1930s to its current standing as the museum with the largest collection of Audubon material in the world. The history of how the museum came to be as well as ongoing efforts to preserve and document the collection will be discussed.

Jennifer Spence is a native of Prince Edward Island, Canada. Her adventures in the world of museum work began in 2004 when she became student manager of a one-room schoolhouse museum in rural Nova Scotia.



Since then, she has worked with art and artifact collections in museums across Atlantic Canada and in Ontario, New Zealand, and Kentucky. In 2015 she finished a multiyear, grant funded project to catalog the Churchill Weavers textile archive at the Kentucky Historical Society. She started working at the Audubon Museum in Henderson as Curator of Collections in March 2016.

Jennifer holds a master's degree in museums studies from the University of Toronto and a bachelor's degree in historical studies from the University of Newfoundland.

Sept Newsletter Calendar:

- Sept 6: DCAS monthly program: “JJ Audubon Museum— An Encounter with a National Treasure” by Jennifer Spence from J.J. Audubon State Park, the program starts at 7 p.m., (meet the presenter at Moonlite BBQ 530 pm), **take note:** the program is at the Owensboro Museum of Science and History.
- Sept 10: Field trip: John James Audubon State Park; 8:30 a.m., meet in the lobby of the museum.
- Sept 11: KAC board meeting, 11 am - 3 pm, at Sara Michael's restaurant in Central City. This meeting is open to all audubon members. If you want to carpool with Judy and Me, email me at davids@brescia.edu, we will be leaving from somewhere that morning.
- Sept 19: DCAS board meeting, 9:30 am at Judy's house.



It's not too late! The last three sessions are on bird identification.

Museum of Science and History offering a new Outdoor Education Class

Are you interested in knowing more about Daviess County's natural world? Would you like to practice finding and identifying different species of birds, wildflowers and trees? We have the perfect Outdoor Education class for you! Join biologist Steve Hahus for a 4-week series, beginning Tuesday, August 23 at 5:30 p.m. at the Owensboro Museum of Science and History.



The class will focus but not be limited to three areas, *wildflowers*, *trees* and *birds*. The identification of a manageable number of each of these groups will be taught in a classroom setting as well as outside. The outdoor time will primarily be spent at the Rudy Mine section of Ben Hawes Park, but may include a trip to Panther Creek Park. This class will be appropriate for all knowledge levels of the outdoors and environment.

Remaining Class dates and times are:

Thursday, September 8 @ 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 13 @ 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 15 @ 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.



The cost is \$20 per person. Museum members receive a 10% discount on registration. Please call the Museum of Science and History at 270.687.2732 by August 21st to register for this series.

Some pictures of Girl's Inc activities with DCAS over the summer.
A big thanks to Judy Adams and Mary Kissell. Thanks, thanks.



Girls Inc. girls at Girl's Inc., for "Urban Birds Identification and Learning."



Girls Inc. —AT Virginia Miles Nature Center

— A morning well spent . :)



DCAS at the Multicultural Festival

— A morning and afternoon, well spent . :)



Girls Inc. —AT THE MUSEUM

— A morning well spent . :)



California Acorn Woodpeckers.

Clifty Creek bird sighting list (way back in June)

Birds observed from water:	Wood thrush	Peewee	Tufted titmouse
Prothonotary warbler	Yellow rumped warbler	Turkey vulture	Red bellied woodpecker
Gray crested flycatcher	Tower	Cardinal	Barn swallow
Robin	Yellow billed cuckoo	Cowbird	Kestrel
Goldfinch	Hairy woodpecker	Chickadee	Hummingbird (I think someone saw around honeysuckle)
Mourning dove	Blue Jay	Yellow rumped warbler	Total from water : 23
Blue heron	Phoebe	Blue Jay	Total from
Cardinal	Little green heron	Blue gray gnatcatcher	land:(subtracting ones already seen on water):12
Rough winged swallow	Crow	Carolina Wren	
Red eyed video	Baltimore oriole	Robin	
Red bellied woodpecker	Eagle	Phoebe	
Northern Paula	From land:	Indigo bunting	
Black turkey vulture	Flicker	White breasted nuthatch	
	Goldfinch	Eastern kingbird	



Mt. Diablo California trip

MT. DIABLO AUDUBON WELCOMES DCAS BIRDERS

On June 3rd, six DCAS birders took flight to San Francisco. We rented a 3 bedroom condo in Walnut Creek and met Mt. Diablo Field Trip Coordinator Hugh Harvey for breakfast the next morning. That was the start of a week of strategic planning for both birds and Bay Area traffic! We birded a variety of habitats, including inland parks, city wetlands across from the Oakland airport and Pt. Reyes National Seashore. We were treated to Nuttall's Woodpeckers, Western Scrub Jays and Anna's Hummingbirds that first morning at Heather Farm. The list grew daily...culminating at 90+ species! At Pt. Reyes our sightings included a Red-throated and Pacific Loon, Common Murres and, of course, Elephant Seals. Hugh proved a knowledgeable, enthusiastic addition to our group. When he wasn't available to join us he provided detailed maps and species lists so we could go confidently on our own. Of course, our trip wouldn't have been possible without the gentle prodding of our friend Winny Lin. She met us for breakfast the first morning, escorted a group to Chinatown, entertained us at her home with Kenny's excellent cooking and finished up by birding with us the last day. We left the Bay area and headed to Yosemite for three days of breathtaking sights (and some good birds as well). Our base was Sonora, an hour-plus drive to the park, but we adjusted to the drive with its scary switchbacks and traffic. We saw lots of Stellar's Jays, Acorn Woodpeckers and, finally, a Perigrine on our last day. Here are just a few of our hundreds of pictures. Photo credits go to the Eadens, Kimsees and Adams (I no longer remember who took what J).

Thanks again to Hugh and Rosita Harvey and Winny and Kenny Lin!



Look at the DCAS members in California. Let's see. We have Winny, Kenny, Jim, Bob, Pam, Judy, Tony, Brenda, and Hugh Harvey (Thanks again Hugh!).



Yep, I think I see it. :)

From the Californai trip:

american avocet

black crowned heron



Ok Folks, Get out there and birdwatch.



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~ News and Notes ~

Late Summer -2016

~~Frankfort Audubon & Capital Cellars Bird-themed Wine Tasting~~ ~~Thursday September 1 4m – 7pm~~

~~Frankfort Audubon members will be serving wines especially selected by Rachael Peake at Capital Cellars at 227 West Broadway. The special wines, available for purchase, all have bird-related names or connections so might provide new tastes for you! Learn more about Capital Cellars online at: <http://capitalcellars.com/> We hope you can join us for this fun fundraiser for our Audubon chapter on September 1 (tips go toward acquiring informational signs at Cove Spring Park)~~

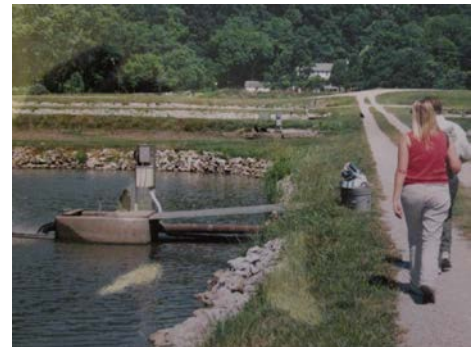


Located in the heart of Frankfort's historic downtown, Capital Cellars brings you: specialty, hard-to-find and unique bourbons, handcrafted beers, global selection of fine wines, the best of Kentucky wines, an excellent selection of organic wines and spirits, free wine tastings every Thursday and Friday 4-7 p.m.

BIRD WALK at Pfeiffer State Fish Hatchery Saturday October 22 9:30-11:30

Meet at 9:00 am at the Farmers Market in Downtown Frankfort to car pool, or if you want to follow someone.

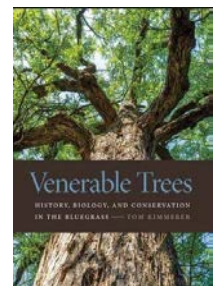
Meet at 9:30 at the Gate of the fish hatchery (please do not block the gate), On Highway 127, 7.7 miles N of Cove Spring, right onto Hwy 2919, 1.8 miles. Over 30 hatchery ponds provide for ducks, geese and herons and for shorebirds when drained. The surrounding hills can generate thermals for hawks and vultures, and a rare Bald Eagle. We will be walking on flat ground around the ponds, and along the edge of the Elkhorn Creek to look for Red-headed Woodpeckers. The event is free and open to the public.



OTHER NATURE EVENTS ...

Salato Wildlife Center, Saturday Sept 3 Wildlife Feats of Strength 11am – 2pm You can now view daily programs and activities online by going to www.fw.ky.gov, clicking "education", then "Salato", then "events" <http://fw.ky.gov/Education/Pages/Salato-Wildlife-Education-Center.aspx> Cost: Free with general admission into center.

The Urban Forest Initiative is excited to announce a new seminar series, to begin with Dr. Tom Kimmerer's "Lexington's Urban Forest: Remnants of an Ancient Landscape" on Wednesday, Sept. 7th from 6 – 8:30pm. This talk is free to attend and open to the public, and will occur at the Fayette County Extension Office 1140 Red Mile Pl, Lexington. They have several speakers lined up in the coming months, so please visit their event page for details: <https://ukntrees.ca.uky.edu/events>



Oh my gosh is it September already?
My weeds are not rid of.
My paving bricks are in the same pile
as in June.
My bags of concrete are not empty yet.
My cars tailpipe is still loose from an
untightened hanger.
The roofers haven't arrived.
The upstairs window now leaks on top
of the unfinished ceiling stain.

And finally, camping with a friend, I
noticed a whooshing sound from his
tent while breaking down camp. Turns
out that is why he wasn't as sore as I
was, since he has an air mattress for
camping and I do not.
But, I saw a set of four piliated's, yel-
low vireo, acorn woodpecker, scrub
jay, black throated sparrow, and some-
thing else.

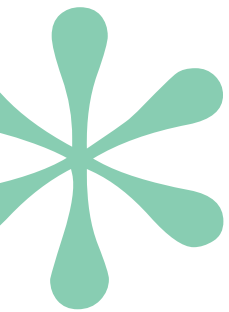
So, all is well. How about you?

FROM THE BACKYARD

Remember:
—bring a friend to our monthly program.

—take a friend birding.
—take a friend along to one of
our field trips.
- DS

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Remember, our monthly program's are now
at the Owensboro Museum of Science and
History.

- 7 pm.
- Refreshments ...
- mild chaos

Hmmm.,

huh?

**Pelican?
Scrub Jay?**