

Flicker Flashes

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Birmingham Welcomes Andy Coleman as Inaugural Program Director

Andy Coleman, Ph.D., joins Birmingham Audubon in February as program director, a new permanent position to facilitate and support all programming for the organization. Andy says he “has a great deal of respect for the work of Birmingham Audubon, and is excited to have the opportunity to pursue my interest in conservation science and outreach.”

Coleman, a former Walter Coxe Research Grant recipient while at the University of Alabama at Birmingham, has most recently worked as the Senior Research Scientist for Marine Turtle Research at the Institute for Marine Mammal Studies in Gulfport, Mississippi. His career to date has also included a year in marine policy development and stakeholder relations as the John A. Knauss Sea Grant Fellowship Legislative Fellow in the U.S. Senate Commerce Committee, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries and Coast Guard. This fellowship was through the Mississippi-Alabama Sea Grant Consortium.

Coleman’s research has ranged from sea turtles and diamondback terrapins along the northern Gulf coast and



Mexico to a salamander species of concern in North Carolina. He also has field experience in frog and small mammal population monitoring. His interests are just as broad including: conservation outreach, wildlife management, conservation of protected species, and coastal habitat monitoring and restoration.

Doctoral work was completed by Coleman at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. He received his master’s degrees in Environmental Policy from Johns Hopkins University and Biology from Appalachian State University. He completed his undergraduate degree in Biology at the University of Alabama.

“Andy will enrich the program offering for Birmingham Audubon members and our outreach throughout the state not only through his knowledge and depth of experience so early in his career, but also through his endless enthusiasm,” says Suzanne Langley, executive director for Birmingham Audubon.

Audubon Teaches Nature

Identifying Birds of Prey: Tips, Tools, and a Bird or Two!

Presented by Becky Collier, Greg Harber, & Scottie Jackson
Sunday, February 22, 2015 - 2 P.M. - Alabama Wildlife Center

If you were wondering what happened to the Birds of Prey program we usually feature in January, fear not, we moved it to February! This popular program is always well attended – and for good reasons.

We are fascinated by birds of prey: they have keen eyesight, sharp talons and are adept hunters of both birds and animals, and fortunately for us, Alabama is home to several species. During this program, featuring live birds from the Alabama Wildlife Center and the Coosa River Science School, you will learn not only about their life histories, but also tips

on how to identify hawks, falcons, kites, accipiters and owls. Bring your children and camera to capture the moment!

Be sure to come early and enjoy some refreshments and conversation in the Observation Room at the Alabama Wildlife Center, then when it is time for the program, we will proceed to the auditorium for the presentation.

Also, bring your binoculars and field guides for a bird walk after the program. We will visit a site within the park to look for wintering species like brown creeper, cedar wax-wing, winter wren, hermit thrush and both kinglet species.

Next “Audubon Teaches Nature” Topic in the Series: Freshwater Snails of the Cahaba River
Lori Tolley-Jordan, Guest Speaker - Sunday, March 22 - 2 P.M. - Oak Mountain Interpretive Center

February Field Trip

Fort Toulouse-Fort Jackson National Historic Park

Wetumpka Astrobleme

Saturday, February 21, 2015 - 7 A.M.



Fort Toulouse and Jackson are rich in history. Fort Toulouse was built in 1717 by the French to compete with the British for control of the region and the trade with the Creek Indians. The original fort rotted away after the departure of the French in 1763, when the territory was ceded to the British as part of the Treaty of Paris. In 1814, General Andrew Jackson built a massive fort on this site and named it Fort Jackson. A portion of this fort has been rebuilt, and the complete original outline can be seen. The area is also the location of a large Mississippi Era mound complex dating back to AD. 900-AD. 1500.

Fort Toulouse-Jackson is an official site on the Piedmont Plateau Birding Trail. It is located just south of Wetumpka where the Coosa and the Tallapoosa rivers meet to form the headwaters of the Alabama River. There is a trail going out on the land spit where the confluence of the rivers can be observed. The hedge-row along the path makes for good bird habitat. The Tallapoosa River can also be seen from the path. The William Bartrum Arboretum offers a boardwalk trail through woodlands, meadows and bogs, also good habitat for a variety of birds. The Arboretum Trail ends with an overlook of the Coosa River. We will have lunch at this location prior to moving onto our next destination.

Nearly 83 million years ago, nearby Wetumpka was ground zero for a devastating meteorite impact that left a crater four miles wide in the seas that were then covering the area. This location, known as an astrobleme, was first recognized as an impact crater in the 1970's, and is now considered

the best preserved marine impact crater ever discovered. James Lowery of the Alabama Paleontological Society, who is an authority on the site, will give us a guided tour of this unique piece of Alabama geology.

MEETING PLACE: Hoover McDonalds, across from the Galleria, 1731 Montgomery Highway, Hoover AL 35244. Please park in the lot across from the McDonalds. Arrive early enough to have some breakfast and arrange car-pooling, so we can leave promptly at 7 a.m.

TRAVEL PLANS: Departing at 7 a.m. we will proceed on I-459 to I-65 South towards Montgomery to exit 173 Northern Blvd. (Hwy. 152) east to US 231 North. Travel approximately 8 ½ miles, past the Key West Inn on the left. Turn right onto Fort Toulouse Road and travel another 2 ½ miles to the park entrance. There is a \$2.00 admission fee to enter the park.

This is a full day trip so bring lunch, snacks and drinks. Have a full tank of gas and dress appropriately for the weather. Binoculars will be available if needed.

TRIP LEADER: Anne Miller 205-902-1389

PARK ADDRESS: 2521 West Fort Toulouse Road Wetumpka AL
GPS 330 13-07(W86 15'31.43)W

Web Site for the Wetumpka Impact Crater:
<http://alabama.travel/places-to-go/wetumpka-impact-crater>

February 2015 Half-Day Field Trip

Beeswax Creek Park/Cox Creek Bridge

Saturday, February 7, 2015 - 7 A.M.

Beeswax Creek Park is a Shelby County park along the shores of Lay Lake. This location holds the possibilities for long-legged waders, wintering waterfowl and gulls. The mixed hardwood/pine woods surrounding the park may harbor both visiting and permanent resident woodland species.

The park's amenities include: restrooms, a nature trail, two picnic pavilions, lakeshore benches, two paved boat launches and two floating fishing piers, one of which is handicapped accessible.

Following our visit to Beeswax Creek Park, we will venture to Cox Creek Bridge on Alabama 119. This is a designated site on the Appalachian Highland Birding Trail. It is hoped that we may encounter raptors, long-legged waders, and possibly some shorebirds at this stop.

MEETING PLACE: Hoover McDonalds on U.S. 31 South (across from the Galleria)

ADDRESS: 1731 Montgomery Highway South Hoover AL 35244
Please park in the lot across from the McDonald's.

TRAVEL PLANS: Meet at the Hoover McDonald's (see address above) with plans to leave at 7 a.m. We will proceed south approximately 14 miles on I-65 South to Exit 231 (Calera, Columbiana, Saginaw). At Exit 231, turn left onto U.S. 31 South. In three miles, turn left onto Shelby County 26 East. Remain on this road for 11 miles, at which point it junctions Shelby County 70. Turn left onto this road and follow it for two miles into Columbiana. **(Continued on next page)**

February Membership Program

Creating & Sustaining Quality Habitat for Birds and Other Wildlife

Presented by Kristin Lamberson of Strawberry Plains Audubon Center
Birmingham Botanical Gardens, East Room
Thursday, February 19, 2015 - 7 P.M.

The February membership program will feature staff from the nearest National Audubon Center - Strawberry Plains Audubon Center in Holly Springs, Mississippi. Kristin Lamberson, interpretive gardens specialist for Strawberry Plains will introduce the National Audubon Society's conservation mission and strategies to create and sustain quality habitat for birds and other wildlife, while supporting healthy ecosystems and communities.

Strawberry Plains has incorporated native plants into the local landscape; Lamberson will speak about the trials and successes that were encountered. She also will discuss the overlooked deficiencies of cultivated and non-native landscapes. She will also demonstrate how native plants reduce water use and maintenance while creating aesthetically pleasing and vibrant habitats.



Kristin Lamberson

Lamberson has worked on staff at Holly Springs for 12 years, growing, planting and promoting the use of native plants; envisioning a new landscape paradigm. She borrows her landscape design ideas from nature.

Strawberry Plains Audubon Center is located on 3,000 acres of model habitat that includes an antebellum home, visitor's center and 15 miles of trails. The mission of the Center promotes an appreciation of wildlife diversity and inspires people to take conservation action at home or on their land with native-plant

landscaping using best management practices to maximize the ecological services and societal benefits that nature provides. To learn more about Strawberry Plains Audubon Center, visit: strawberryplains.audubon.org.

Fellowship and snack time begins at 6:30 p.m.
Please come early for refreshments and conversation.

(Beeswax Creek Park - continued from page 2)

This road changes names to West College Street, then to East College Street. When the name of the road changes to Shelby County 28 East, take the right fork. In 4 miles, you will intersect with Alabama 145. Turn left, and in one mile you will reach the park on your right. Look for the brown park sign.

After our visit to the Park, we will continue the morning with a trip to Lake Purdy. Upon leaving the Park, turn right onto Alabama 145; proceed for two miles at which point Alabama 145 and Shelby County 61 merge. We will be passing a sod farm on 61, and may make a quick stop to observe any shorebirds that may be present. After 11 miles and in Wilsonville, 61 junctions Alabama 25. Turn right, proceed to U.S. 280 and turn left. In 19 miles, make the right-hand turn onto Alabama 119 and proceed to Cox Creek. A rest break is planned at the McDonalds or Wendy's near Chelsea on U.S. 280. Depending on preference, we may include a quick visit to the Lake Purdy boat launch, another designated site on the Appalachian Highlands Birding Trail.

DESTINATIONS: Beeswax Creek Park, Lake Purdy

ADDRESS: 245 Beeswax Park Road Columbiana, AL 35051
PHONE: 205-991-2015 or 205-663-4542

GPS: for Beeswax Creek Park N 33 10'39" W 86 31' 16"

WEBSITE: for Beeswax Creek
www.shelbycountytourism.org/Facilities.aspx?Page=details&RID=7
www.birminghamaudubon.org

TRIP LEADERS: Anne G. Miller: 205-902-1389 (cell)
Maureen Shaffer: 205-822-8728 (home) 205-222-2662 (cell)



SoSo for the Record

Sightings November 29 through December 31, 2014

Fred Bassett reports that so far this winter he has banded 12 hummingbirds from Montgomery down to the Gulf coast. Species banded were rufous, black-chinned, ruby-throated and an Anna's in Pensacola, Florida.

Two weeks ago, he banded a female rufous hummingbird in Brewton for the eighth consecutive winter!

Other Sightings:

- 11/20 **Pacific Loon**; Guntersville (SM).
- 11/30 **Mute Swan**; Probably escaped from a private collection , Limestone Park (VK, reported by GH).
- 12/5 **Rusty Blackbird**; Forest Park, Shelby Co. (MB).
Yellow-headed Blackbird, with Red-winged blackbirds and cowbirds; Decatur (SG).
- 12/3 **Tundra Swan (4)**; Wheeler Refuge, near observation building (DC).
- 12/7 **Osprey; Least Sandpiper; Bonaparte's and Ring-billed Gulls**; Lake Purdy (SD).
- 12/26 **Short-eared Owl**; Wheeler Refuge CBC (KW, RW).
- 12/31 **Surf Scoter (3)**; Lake Purdy (SD, photo RR).

Contributors:

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 Mark Burkett
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 Rufina Ward

Please, send sightings for March Flicker Flashes at least five days before the February 1 deadline to Ann Miller, 520 Yorkshire Drive, Birmingham, AL 35209
 annmiller520@aol.com



Mute swans - Thinkstock by Getty Images



Tundra swan - Thinkstock by Getty Images

Audubon Tom Imhof Zoo Bird Walk

Saturday, February 14, 2015
 8 A.M. - 10 A.M.

Join Birmingham Audubon and the Birmingham Zoo in a two-hour guided birding trip through the zoo. The walk begins at the Junior League of Birmingham - Hugh Kaul Children's Zoo gate and continues into the natural areas of Alabama Wilds. Bird lovers of all ages are invited to bring their binoculars, bird field guides and cameras for an experience like no other. There also will be birdwatching tips from Birmingham Audubon experts and bird conservation activities with the Junior League of Birmingham - Hugh Kaul Children's Zoo and Alabama Wilds.

This event is part of the Great Backyard Bird Count, an annual event that unites birdwatchers from across the globe as they track bird species found in their own backyards, parks and local spaces.



Photo: American Heart Association Sweethearts service day through Hands-On Birmingham helped install approximately 300 plants in the ongoing prairie restoration project at Limestone Park in Alabaster.

All Birmingham Audubon field trips are free and open to the public.

The 79th Birmingham Audubon Christmas Bird Count

Saturday, December 27, 2014

In spite of periods of rain from dawn to dusk, eight parties were fielded with a total of 20 participants plus one feeder watcher on this year's Christmas Bird Count. This group effort resulted in 58.5 hours and 280.25 miles covered. The count day had a temperature range of 50 to 57 degrees Fahrenheit. The species reported dropped to 69 from last year's count of 71.

A notable miss this year was rufous hummingbird, which was not recorded for the first time since the 2000 count.

Participants: **John Imhof**, Jeremy Bearden, Michael Darrow, **Hans Paul**, Ken Marion, Lori Oswald, **Matt Hunter**, Jessie Griswold, Sam Griswold, Ty Keith, **Rick Kittinger**, Ranny Kittinger, Ron Kittinger, **Richard Mills**, Winston Lancaster, **Maureen Shaffer**, **Anne Miller**, Miriam Rueger, **Sharon Hudgins**, David George, compiler. Thank you to Maureen Shaffer for also serving as compilation host.

Canada Goose	411	Belted Kingfisher	11	Carolina Wren	84	Song Sparrow	133
Wood Duck	22	Red-headed Woodpecker	13	Winter Wren	1	Swamp Sparrow	30
Mallard	89	Red-bellied Woodpecker	43	Golden-crowned Kinglet	2	White-throated Sparrow	95
Ring-necked Duck	18	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	23	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	17	Dark-eyed Junco	50
Pied-billed Grebe	12	Downy Woodpecker	32	Eastern Bluebird	32	Northern Cardinal	204
Great Blue Heron	20	Hairy Woodpecker	1	Hermit Thrush	9	Red-winged Blackbird	5056
Black-crowned Night-Heron	7	Northern Flicker	47	American Robin	581	Rusty Blackbird	28
Black Vulture	5	Pileated Woodpecker	3	Northern Mockingbird	116	Brewer's Blackbird	1
Turkey Vulture	4	American Kestrel	1	Brown Thrasher	15	Common Grackle	17729
Sharp-shinned Hawk	2	Eastern Phoebe	31	European Starling	3752	Brown-headed Cowbird	30
Cooper's Hawk	7	Loggerhead Shrike	1	Cedar Waxwing	669	Purple Finch	6
Red-shouldered Hawk	8	Blue Jay	127	Pine Warbler	22	House Finch	72
Red-tailed Hawk	20	American Crow	227	Yellow-rumped Warbler	151	Pine Siskin	46
American Coot	2	Fish Crow	2	Eastern Towhee	79	American Goldfinch	160
Killdeer	56	Carolina Chickadee	62	Chipping Sparrow	167	House Sparrow	21
Rock Pigeon	543	Tufted Titmouse	50	Field Sparrow	22		
Mourning Dove	282	White-breasted Nuthatch	19	Vesper Sparrow	3	Total Species	69
Barred Owl	1	Brown-headed Nuthatch	16	Savannah Sparrow	29		

Birmingham Audubon Receives Grant from Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham for Urban Bird Habitat Initiative

The Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham announced in December \$1,431,000 in grants to 27 area nonprofits that focus on improving economic security and further developing sustainable, livable communities in Jefferson, Blount, Shelby, St. Clair and Walker counties. These grants support a collection of innovative initiatives that focus on two parts of the Foundation's four-part results framework.

The grants for Cycle 2 of 2014 included funding of: \$883,000 to ensure that communities are sustainable, livable and vibrant and \$548,000 to ensure individuals and families are economically secure. Each grant focuses on a specific strategy to reach the results our community has said it wants.

Birmingham Audubon's Urban Bird Habitat Initiative was funded under the foundation result "Communities are Sustainable, Livable and Vibrant" within the strategy of "expanding and improving public green space." The award of \$65,000 will be used over three years toward the goals of the Urban

Bird Habitat initiative (UBHI) program to sustain habitat shared by birds and people, build volunteer support and ensure the viability of recreational birding in the metro area.

The UBHI, which began with work at East Lake Park and heron habitat, has expanded to include the Avondale Park Rose & Habitat Garden, Limestone Park Prairie Restoration, as well as interpretive signage at Railroad Park and other projects in development. The rooftop prairie garden at Birmingham Museum of Art is also included in projects completed through the initiative.

Photo: Cross generational volunteers continue to participate in work days at the Avondale Park Rose & Habitat Garden representing dedication to the project managed by Birmingham Audubon and Avondale Samaritan Place.





38TH YEAR

Birmingham Audubon Mountain Workshop

Thursday, May 7 - Sunday, May 10, 2015

The Birmingham Audubon Mountain Workshop offers hands-on nature-based classes in a broad range of topics. Campers enjoy classes during the day, an evening keynote speaker, and a selection of evening outings from spider walks to night birding to the Saturday evening dance. Classes are scheduled 8:30-11:30 am and 2:30-5:30 pm, offering each camper five different class options

The Workshop promotes a better understanding and appreciation of the natural history and ecology of the Southern Appalachian Mountains. A broad overview is provided through classes on topics including animal ecology, beginning and advanced bird identification, stream biology, mammals, insects, reptiles and amphibians, geology and fossils, canoeing, mountain crafts, and many more. Classes take place on the campus of Alpine Camp and around Mentone, an old Alabama resort area featuring rustic cabins and lodges, broad mountain vistas and clear streams. Little River flows for almost its entirety atop Lookout Mountain carving Little River Canyon on the way to the Coosa River Valley. Little River Canyon is the deepest canyon east of the Mississippi. Alpine Camp is situated directly on the West Fork of the Little River. Recreational opportunities in the Little River canyon area include canoeing, fishing and hiking. Miles of trails are within easy access of the camp.

Our faculty includes professors from regional universities and colleges, recognized experts, and Alabama artists.

Participants, whether beginners or seasoned naturalists, enjoy a relaxed atmosphere in small classes.

Staff consists of Birmingham Audubon employees and volunteers who coordinate daily activities for the workshop.

The Young Naturalist Program is a curriculum based program for children ages 5 to 12. The Young Naturalist courses and activities are taught and supervised by our academic adult faculty along with Birmingham Audubon's teaching naturalist staff. Kids love this program that includes lots of hands-on activities and extensive science and nature based learning. Kids can learn more here in two days than in a week of school science classes.

Lodging and Facilities:

There are two options for lodging during the Workshop. You may stay in the rustic dormitory style cabins at Camp Alpine or you may be a "Mountain Resident" and make your own arrangements for lodgings. If you choose to obtain lodging outside the camp, indicate that on your registration form.

Camp Alpine lodging is typically in a rustic cabin with a detached communal bath house. A limited number of spaces are available in the Ridge Cabins which have in cabin toilet and

shower facilities. These cabins are available for an incremental charge of \$27 per person. All cabins typically accommodate 8 to 12 individuals and are assigned in categories defined by gender and familial relationship.

Mountain Resident Lodging - Desoto State Park, which is less than ten minutes from Alpine Camp, offers a variety of lodging options from campground rental, to cabins to hotel rooms at the lodge. (www.alapark.com/desotoresort/) Mentone has a variety of bed and breakfasts and Fort Payne also has many lodging options. As a Mountain Resident you are welcome to participate in as many or as few camp activities as you like.

Camp Alpine Facilities - Meals are served in a central dining hall. The Alpine Lodge, located on the bluff overlooking Little River, serves as an informal gathering place and is home to the Workshop Canteen.

No smoking is allowed in any building on campus. No pets allowed.

REGISTRATION:

This year's workshop requires online registration. You register for the workshop and make all class selections on line. Class sizes are limited. Timely registration insures best class selection. To begin your registration visit:

www.regonline.com/birminghamaudubonmountainworkshop

Birmingham Audubon member (1).....	\$275
Birmingham Audubon nonmember (1).....	\$300
Young Naturalist (includes t-shirt).....	\$250
Mountain Resident member (2).....	\$260
Mountain Resident nonmember (2).....	\$285

Registration prices will increase by \$25 after April 22, 2015

Onsite registration will be \$350 per person

(1) Registration includes tuition, room and meals, beginning with Thursday evening meal and ending with Sunday lunch.

(2) Registration includes tuition and meals beginning with Thursday evening meal and ending with Sunday lunch.

Birmingham Audubon members must be on our member roll. A good indicator of whether you are a member is if you get our Flicker Flashes publication. Please email registrar if you are unsure of your membership status.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Registration is fully refundable less a \$25 administrative fee through April 15. Half of the registration fee will be returned for cancellations made from April 16-22, 2015. No refunds after April 22.

ANY QUESTIONS??? Email: registrar@birminghamaudubon.org

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There are many ways you can support Birmingham Audubon

Please join us and make a difference for birds and your quality of life, right here in Alabama!

Membership

Take the first step and become a Member of Birmingham Audubon. Get connected with our *Flicker Flashes* newsletter. See birds by participating in one of our free field trips, and learn something at one of our free monthly programs.

Make a Donation

We rely on your support and are proud to work on your behalf to restore wildlife habitat, conserve areas that are important to birds, and inspire appreciation and understanding of our natural world. Your generous donation, above and beyond the basic membership dues, is an important source of funding which allows Birmingham Audubon to facilitate our vital mission of connecting people with birds and the places they live.

Your memberships and donations support:

- Free monthly programs on natural science topics
- Free field trips led by expert birders to great birding / cultural locations
- Opportunity to attend Annual Banquet and Birmingham Audubon Mountain Workshop
- Introduction to great locations to see and observe birds
- Exposure to knowledgeable birders
- Travel opportunities to regional, national and international birding locations
- Graduate student research grants
- Local and statewide conservation initiatives
- Adult and student education initiatives
- Local, state and national conservation initiatives
- Alabama Birding Trails support

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I want to be contacted to learn about volunteer activities
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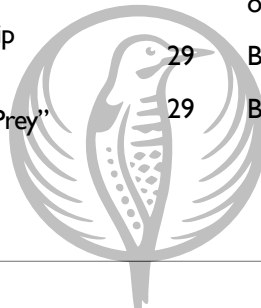
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