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See You in September: A Sneak Peek at Programs

The summer break is nearly over! Grand Rapids Audubon Club is gearing up for another interesting and informative year of programming kicking off next month at the Donnelly Center on the beautiful Aquinas College campus. (See preview list below.)

Please plan to join us – and bring guests! – throughout the year.

2018-2019 Program Schedule

Programs begin 7:30 PM at the John F. Donnelly Center of Aquinas College, 157 Woodward Lane, SE.

Sept. 24, 2018 – “The Birds of Barry County,” Doug Klein (*See page 2 for details on a field trip that Doug is leading on Sept. 29*)

Oct. 29, 2018 – “Wilderness Icon: Utah’s Red Rock Canyonlands,” Clayton Daughenbaugh

Nov. 26, 2018 – “Just Dune It,” Shawn Howard of the Nature Conservancy

Jan. 28, 2019 – “Surface Water Sustainability in Grand Rapids,” Carrie Rivette, City of Grand Rapids Wastewater/Stormwater maintenance superintendent

Feb. 25, 2019 – “Climate Change and Birds,” John Considine

March 25, 2019 – “Enjoying the North Country Trail,” Jim Bradley, vice president of the North Country Trail Association

April 29, 2019 – “Saving the Kirtland’s Warbler,” David Ewart of the Nature Conservancy

May 20, 2019 – TBD

President’s Corner

by Sheryl Helmus

Thank you to everyone who has welcomed and helped me as I moved into the GRAC President’s position. In talking with many of you, I have learned more about the great people, many behind the scenes, who work to make our club run well. Please let them know their work is appreciated when you see them.

If you would like to find an area where you can help, stop by the tables near the entry at the September meeting and talk with Scott Hutchings or Becky Kuhn. They will have information about many opportunities. Also, feel free to share ideas for GRAC with me or other board members.

Our lineup of speakers for 2018-19 is set. Look it over and invite a friend or relative to come with you to hear a talk. Or ask them to go on a club field trip with you. There are many people in the area who have a deep interest in birds who have not yet heard of GRAC. Together, we can all help spread the word.

I hope many of you have been able to spend time outdoors this summer enjoying nature, especially the birds. A June trip to southern Indiana gave me close sightings of several great bird species right near our campsite. While out hiking, I saw summer tanagers, beautiful birds I’d never before seen. I’m looking forward to bird reports of others’ summer and early fall sightings at our September meeting.



Deadline for September newsletter articles: **Sept. 1**

(send to Tricia Boot)



GRAC Field Trips

Contact Becky Kuhn with field trip suggestions/ideas. Watch the *Caller* for future trip announcements. Visit www.graud.org for the most up-to-date trip list. Safety hazards: Driving in a caravan can be hazardous. Get directions from the leader and exercise caution on the road at all times. Have a passenger handle all radio or phone communications. Dress and drive for the weather, particularly in the event of hazardous winter weather. Particularly bad weather may cancel a trip.

Thursdays, Aug. 9, 16, 23 and 30, 8:00 AM

Leader: Katie Bolt, Jeanne Griffin or Kathy Haase
Recurring Millennium Park Hikes

Hike Millennium Park to see what's hanging around (route varies). A good variety of birds have been reported from this diverse habitat near the river, which includes open and swampy ponds, lowland forest and various secondary growth.

Essentials: Meet at the east end of Veterans Memorial Drive parking area.

Saturday, Aug. 25, 8:00 AM

Leader: Becky Kuhn

Fall Shorebirds: Muskegon Wastewater Area

This trip will focus on clues to identifying migrating shorebirds that are primarily in their winter plumage. With the challenges of dwindling bird numbers, this location is a consistent stopover for shorebirds and other birds migrating south. We'll be able to spend as much time as needed to use binoculars and spotting scopes to compare and evaluate shorebirds at relatively close proximity. In past years, we have seen seven "you can count on them" species and a variety of seven or more others, covering plovers, dowitchers, phalarope, snipe and all sizes, from Greater Yellowlegs to the Least Sandpiper. Of course, you can plan on viewing a collection of waterfowl and field birds as well.

Essentials: Meet at the main entrance to the Muskegon Wastewater on the east side of Maple Island Road (a mile or so north of Apple Avenue). Bring binoculars, scope (if you have one), drinks and snacks as needed. Call Becky if you get lost or want to meet later in the morning: (616) 437-9205.

Saturday, September 15, 7:30 AM

Leader: Lizzy Kibbey

Huff Park Fall Trip

We'll head south through the woods, making our way around the trails, checking out the marshlands, too. Possibilities here are migrating passerines, particularly fall warblers and others such as flycatchers and sparrows. Marsh birds of interest include wrens such as Sedge Wren. I've had Sedge Wrens in the past at this time of the year, and they are always nice to see. Rails also are a possibility. The hike should only be an hour or two, depending on the weather, bugs and birds.

Essentials: Meet at the Aberdeen Street parking lot near the playground at 7:30 AM (north end of the park). Dress for the conditions, bring binoculars and wear good hiking boots or waterproof footwear. Insect repellent, water and a snack would be useful.

Saturday, Sept. 29, 8:30 AM

Leader: Doug Klein

Paul Henry Trail, Middleville

We'll meet in Middleville in the parking lot behind the Village Offices in Middleville. Head south on M-37 through Caledonia and into Middleville. Turn left at the only traffic light in town and go about ¼ mile to the bridge over the Thornapple River. Turn right on the drive immediately after the river and the parking lot will be visible. We'll hike a total of about 1.5 miles on a level, paved trail through woods and waters. Bring a spotting scope if you normally use one; binoculars are a must. Trip length will be approximately two hours. This trip is handicap-accessible. If folks are interested, we'll follow up with lunch in Middleville at the Riverdog Restaurant across the street from our parking lot.

Who Was the Winner?

The 2018 Birdathon was a big success. Organizers encourage you to attend the Sept. 24 GRAC meeting to hear the results of the annual fundraiser/friendly competition. Who will win this year's bragging rights?

Remaining Leadership Opportunities

Two opportunities remain to help lead the club. The Fund Development Chairperson leads our fundraising efforts which include Birdathon (led by Jill Goodell) and the donation box (organized by Scott Hutchings). There is plenty of room for new ideas.

The Special Projects Coordinator, a newly created position, will work with the members running our special events and those representing the club at outside events. Besides those openings, we'd like to see some fresh blood and new ideas in all of our committees.

Please see Scott Hutchings to learn more.



Theresa's Membership News and Thought for the Day

by Theresa Dykhius, Membership Chairperson

"I realized that if I had to choose, I would rather have birds than airplanes." Charles Lindbergh

I have recently taken over the responsibilities for membership from Mary Austin, and boy, do I have big shoes to fill. So, please, let me know if I have overlooked anything as I still have much learn. I have been a member of GRAC for many years but was not very active until I retired from Amway.

When I volunteered to serve as Membership Chairperson, it got me to thinking about why I became a member. Like many of you, I wanted to learn more about birds and attend meetings with other people who had similar interests. I never gave much thought about the financial needs of a non-profit like GRAC. I have learned that our dues help to pay for the speakers we all enjoy, the venues where meetings are held, the costs to maintain the Maher Sanctuary, etc.

In light of my newfound knowledge, I want to thank everyone who has renewed their membership and our new members! If you haven't joined and you love birds and want to help them, please consider becoming a member. The annual membership is less than four or five cups of coffee; even less if you like lattes like me.

Speaking of supporting GRAC, we can't thank the following people enough for their generosity in making additional contributions to their membership:

General Fund: Deb Arthur, Larry Burke, Gary Deckert, Ken and Bette Frieswyk, Dick Hansen, Howard Huisman, Loretta Jones, Gail Kloosterman, Thomas and Linda Mulder, Henry and Ruth Raad, Henry Spenski,

Junior Audubon: Marlene Cook

Maher Sanctuary: Christine Baer

Patron Membership: Henry Spenski

Sustaining Membership: Peter Armstrong

July Finance Report

Prepared by Jeff Neumann, Treasurer

Checking Account Balance: \$ 9,622.83

Edward Jones Account: \$40,377.72

Total Assets as of 7/31/18: \$50,000.55

Restricted Funds (included in the total assets)

Maher Sanctuary Fund: \$3,573.04

Junior Audubon Fund: \$4,024.12

Audubon Adventures: \$ 300.00

The balances in the Maher Sanctuary, Junior Audubon and Audubon Adventures Funds are restricted to expenditures for items related to the respective funds.

Remembering Judith Jonker-Bredeweg

by Mary Austin

Just before July 4, GRAC lost another of our long-time Life members; Judith Jonker-Bredeweg.

Judy's four children (Shaun, Matthew, Ryan and Kristin) have described Judy as a "faithful servant, courageous defender of creation and compassionate advocate for the down-trodden."

In addition to being a dedicated birder, Judy was a conservation crusader on many fronts and active in a number of civic and church-related organizations. She is particularly remembered for her passion for social justice. She was quite a songbird, singing with the Grand Rapids Mother Singers group for many years and more recently with the Song Circle.

A memorial service for Judy was held Friday, July 6 at the Church of the Servant on Burton Street SE. Judy's family asks that memorial contributions be made to the Pine Rest Patient Assistance Fund or Blandford Nature Center.





June/July 2018 eBird Summaries

Very Unusual and Rare Sightings by Carol VanOeveren

The following are overviews of the very unusual and rare eBird sightings for June and July 2018 for Allegan, Kent, Muskegon and Ottawa counties. These reports do not include rare birds that are flyovers, unchaseable and those with sketchy details. Rare and unusual eBird sightings are updated daily on the GRAC website.

June:

June started out warm and pleasant with temps in the 70s and 80s. Rain, a few thunderstorms and cooler weather moved in by the 9th. A week of fairly seasonable temperatures was brought to a halt by a warm front bringing thunderstorms, hot, humid weather and temperatures soaring into the 90s for Father's Day weekend. Seasonable temperatures returned after the passage of a cold front early the following week, but storms, 90-plus-degree temps and oppressive humidity returned by month's end along with an excessive heat warning.

A super morning of birding was had by the Lautenbach clan June 2 at Muskegon Wastewater. Visit <https://ebird.org/view/checklist/S46235867> for their spectacular checklist of 85 species. The unusual species are included below.

The best finds: four **Ruddy Shelducks** were found at the Wastewater by John VanOrman June 22 (continued June 25). This species is native to Africa, Asia and Europe, so these are likely escapees from a farm or someone's private collection on an adventure. Visit <https://ebird.org/view/checklist/S46718140> for John's photo. An **American Avocet** in breeding plumage was found by Amy Lyyski and observed about the same time by Tom Pavlik at the Wastewater June 9 (visit <https://ebird.org/view/checklist/S46418890> for Tom's photo). It is unknown if this is the same individual seen in late May. A second-year **Laughing Gull** was found by Carl and Judi Manning at Holland SP June 19. Visit <https://ebird.org/view/checklist/S46661629> for Judi's photos. A **Franklin's Gull** continued since late May at the Wastewater June 10. One was seen at Holland State Park by the Mannings June 14. What a surprise it must have been for the Mannings to find a rare **White-winged Dove**, a desert southwestern species, at their feeders in W Ottawa Co June 20-21. The rarity was observed by many. Visit <https://ebird.org/view/checklist/S46695813> for photos. A female **Yellow-headed Blackbird** was seen by Joseph Lautenbach at the Wastewater June 2.

Others of note: up to four **Eared Grebes** continued at the Wastewater through the month – known location for this species in summer; est **500 Double-crested Cormorants** at their known nesting site, the Nugent Sand

lagoons island along Winnetaska Rd in Muskegon June 9; three **American White Pelicans** on the Grand River near Lost Channel in Ottawa Co June 21; **Least Bitterns** and **Common Gallinules** observed at various locations throughout the month; a **Black-bellied Plover** at the Wastewater June 1 and June 20; the **Piping Plover** pair at Muskegon SP beach fledged four young as of June 10, but only two chicks were observed June 20-30; ten **Willet** at the Kalamazoo River mouth in Allegan Co June 28; **White-rumped Sandpipers** increased in numbers to 23 at the Wastewater in very early June and one still lingering (or early fall migrant) June 28; up to three **Wilson's Phalaropes** continued since May at the Wastewater June 17; three **Red-necked Phalaropes** at the Wastewater June 2 possibly continuing since May; a **Eurasian Collared-Dove** was found at a residence along 118th Ave just W of 62nd St within the Allegan SGA Todd Farm June 23 (the residents thought it may have mated with a Mourning Dove); a late **Snowy Owl** seen by several observers at the Wastewater June 2 appeared to be in very poor health; a male **Yellow-bellied Sapsucker** at Two Rivers Green Space in Kent Co June 16 – very late migrant or possibly breeding; a **Northern Mockingbird** seen by Ric Pedler at the Wastewater June 11 (continued through June 28) evidently had been there since May 26, although the initial sighting was not posted to eBird; **warblers:** two **Worm-eating** continued since May at their known location at Allegan SGA 116th Ave at Swan Creek; one **Mourning** at Cascade Peace Park in Kent Co June 12-21, two along Grand River Dr near Michael McGraw Park in Kent Co June 13; **Hooded** at several locations in Allegan (mostly the SGA), Kent and Ottawa cos; a **Cerulean** at a residence at 64th St and 143rd Ave in Allegan Co June 4, two at Allegan SGA Allegan Dam June 9, one at Allegan SGA M-89 Highbanks June 13, two at Dolan Nature Sanctuary in Kent Co June 24 (latter three are known locations); a **Prairie** at Oval Beach Saugatuck June 1 and 11-14 – known location (visit <https://ebird.org/view/checklist/S46537873> to view John VanOrman's photo), one at Port Sheldon Natural Area West Loop in Ottawa Co found by Steve Minard June 20, two at Saugatuck Dunes SP Natural Area June 21 – known nesting site, one heard along 48th St S of 116th Ave in Allegan Co June 23; five **Clay-colored Sparrows** at the Campbell Power Plant at Port Sheldon June 23 (known nesting site along with Grasshopper, other sparrows and Dickcissels in the ash fields; visit <https://ebird.org/view/checklist/S46741242> for photos), one at the Wastewater June 23; up to three **Henslow's Sparrows** continued since May at the E end of 52nd St SE near Kent Co Airport through the month,

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one along 60th St SE near S runway of Kent Co Airport June 14 (both known locations), one at the Wastewater June 12 and 21-28; up to eight **Dickcissels** continued at Virtue Cider (122nd Ave and 62nd St) in Allegan Co, varying numbers at Allegan SGA Todd Farm, up to 20 continued at the Wastewater (probable nesting at the three previous locations), up to five at 128th Ave and Bingham St area in Ottawa Co June 2-22, three along 123rd Ave E of 20th St in Allegan Co June 12 and at least one at several other locations in Allegan Co during the month, one E end of 52nd St SE near Kent Co Airport June 13; 16 at the Campbell Power Plant at Port Sheldon June 23 (probable nesting in ash fields); the **Western Meadowlark** at the Allegan SGA Todd Farm (58th St between 116th and 117th Aves) continued through June 12; one at E end of 52nd St SE near Kent Co Airport June 11 (found by Jeff Kunitzer) through June 23; two **Pine Siskins** still lingering at the Mannings' property in W Ottawa Co and at a residence near Mona Lake in Muskegon Co June 11.

Note: Whooping Crane Lily was still being observed along Canandaigua Rd near Schoonover WPA in Lenawee Co June 20.

July:

The oppressive heat and humidity continued into the first week of July with temperatures hovering near and into the low 90s. By the weekend it had cooled into the 80s with comfortable dew points, but that was short-lived. We entered a very dry period with more 90s and humidity returning by the 12th. Seasonable weather returned on the 17th after the passage of a cold front. Much-needed rain finally arrived on the 20th. Seasonable to below-normal temperatures with little rain was the rule for the remainder of the month.

The best finds: a **Whimbrel** was found at Holland SP by Gail Berner July 22 and was relocated about an hour later by the Mannings south of Lake Macatawa in Allegan Co. **American Avocets** were found at two locations. One was found by Rick Brigham at the Kalamazoo River mouth in Allegan Co July 2 with two there July 15. Six were found at the Muskegon Wastewater July 14 by Ken Sapkowski. Visit <https://ebird.org/view/checklist/S47190231> for photo.

Others of note: up to six **Northern Bobwhite** at Grand Haven SGA Bruce Bayou 129th Ave access July 22-28 – presumed to be escapees from nearby game farm; up to two **Eared Grebes** continued at the Wastewater July 27 – known summer location; up to two **American Bitterns** at Upper Macatawa Natural Area 84th Ave access July 6-17; **Least Bitterns** at Covell Park in Muskegon Co, Grand Trunk launch ramp in Muskegon, Muskegon Lake Nature Preserve, Grand Haven SGA Bruce Bayou 129th Ave access since May and

one at 132nd Ave access, Upper Macatawa Natural Area 84th Ave access, Kalamazoo River Tyler Bayou and Morrison Bayou in Allegan Co; a **Black-crowned Night-Heron** near Windmill Island in Holland seen while boating July 13, one juvenile at Glengarry Dr bridge between Lenter and Costner Dr SE near Caledonia July 23, one at Window-on-the-Waterfront in Holland July 27; one **Common Gallinule** continued since May at Grand Haven SGA Bruce Bayou 129th Ave access July 9, six (two adults, four chicks) at Kalamazoo River Morrison Bayou in Allegan Co July 22, one at Harbor Island Grand Haven July 23-24; one **Piping Plover** at Kalamazoo River mouth in Allegan Co July 1-15, three (two adults and one juvenile) continued at Muskegon SP beach July 13 and one juvenile still there July 28, one at Grand Haven north pier July 25-27 – visit <https://ebird.org/view/checklist/S47475700> for photos; three **Willetts** continued since June 28 at the Kalamazoo River mouth July 2 with five there July 15, one at Holland SP July 2 and 13, one at Pere Marquette Park in Muskegon July 5, two at Muskegon SP beach July 13, one at the Wastewater July 14-16; up to two **White-rumped Sandpipers** at the Wastewater July 7-13; one **Stilt Sandpiper** at the Wastewater July 10 and up to three July 12-29; one **Baird's Sandpiper** at the Wastewater July 23; one **Short-billed Dowitcher** at the Wastewater July 5 and up to eight there July 12-21, one at the Caledonia Sewage Ponds July 22; two **Wilson's Phalaropes** continued since June at the Wastewater July 10 with one there July 28; a **Northern Mockingbird** continued since late May at the Wastewater July 14; the **Worm-eating Warblers** continued to be heard and seen at their traditional location at Allegan SGA Todd Farm 116th Ave at Swan Creek area early month; three **Cerulean Warblers** at Allegan SGA M-89 Kalamazoo River Bridge and boat launch July 4 – known location; one **Henslow's Sparrow** continued since June at the Wastewater July 2, one continued since May along 60th St near S runway of Kent Co Airport July 12 and one continued since May at E end of 52nd St SE July 12 – both known locations; an early **White-throated Sparrow** at Hemlock Crossing Park in Ottawa Co July 12; at least 20 **Dickcissel** continued at the Wastewater – known nesting location, up to three continued since June at 128th Ave and Bingham St in Ottawa Co July 8, up to three at a farm 147th Ave and 38th St in Allegan Co throughout the month, four at Grose Park in Ottawa Co July 4; nine **Brewer's Blackbirds** at AAA Turf Farm in Ottawa Co July 15, three at Aplo and Elmwood lakes walking path July 15-16. **Note: Whooping Crane** Lily continues to be seen associating with two Sandhill Cranes as of July 30 at the Canandaigua Rd area near the Schoonover WPA in Lenawee Co. Last seen in wheat field stubble at Packard Rd and M-156.



Birding World “A-Twitter” Over May 28 Warbler Migration

by Mary Austin

May 28, 2018 will go down in birding annals as one of the most incredible warbler migration days ever recorded. The word is – you should have been there.

When birders want to experience epic spring bird migration, they may consider High Island, Texas; Magee Marsh, Northern Ohio; or Point Pelee, Ontario. A few birders head to Tadoussac, Quebec, in late May in hopes of seeing some late-season migrating warblers. Those who were in Tadoussac, a small town north of Quebec City at the junction of the St. Lawrence and Saguenay Rivers, on May 28 participated in what experts are calling the biggest North American warbler migration day in recorded history.

Friday, May 25 through Sunday, May 27 were bust days, bird-wise. On Monday, May 28, at dawn, as rain showers began to lift, warblers started flying past in groups of about a dozen at a time. Around 6:30 AM, the rain had totally stopped, and the trickle of birds became a deluge. Observers reported that solid streams of warblers were passing through above, at, and below eye level. The birds were over the river and over the trees. Estimates were given of over a thousand warblers per minute passing by a stationary location.

Reports were made of warblers overtaking lawns and highway medians. Weather radar picked up on the birds as though they were clouds. Some observers stated they felt they were in the Alfred Hitchcock 1963 thriller movie, “The Birds.” Ian Davies, an eBird project coordinator for the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, reported that three species flew between his legs and one flew into his camera. Another birder described the experience as having warblers whipping by his ears and knees and “darting around me like I was a tree.”

Other birders stated there was so much warbler chatter, a person just had to tune the noise out. Some people said all they heard was a constant buzz. For many observers, it was easier to count the birds without binoculars than with them.

At about 3:00 PM, approximately 9.5 hours after the event started, the stream of birds ended as quickly as it had begun. Within 20 minutes of a slow-down in birds passing through, no birds were flying by.

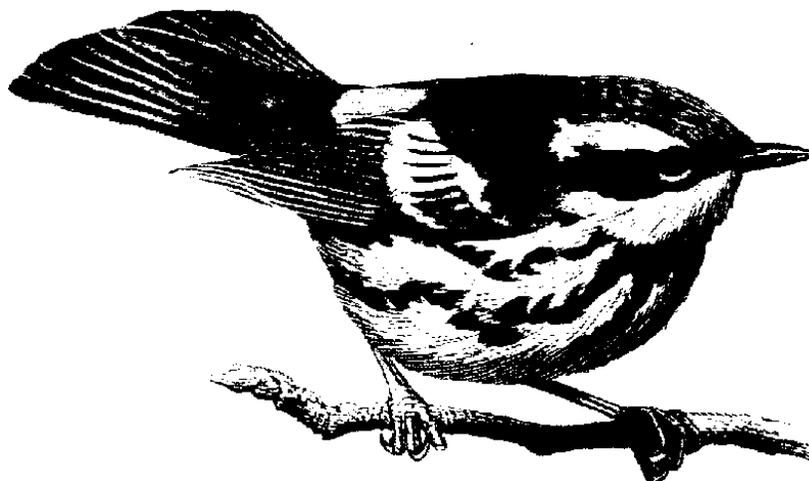
Personnel with the Cornell Lab of Ornithology gave the final estimate as 721,620 warblers, with a give-or-take of 100,000 on either side. Included in the final tally were 144,324 Bay-breasted Warblers, 108,243 Cape May Warblers, 72,162 Tennessee Warblers, 50,513 American Redstarts and 28,865 Blackburnian Warblers.

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GRAC CALENDAR

August

25 Field Trip: Fall Shorebirds, MWW, w/ Becky Kuhn

September

15 Field Trip: Huff Park Fall Trip w/ Lizzy Kibbey

24 GRAC Board and Membership Meetings

29 Field Trip: Paul Henry Trail w/ Doug Klein

October

29 GRAC Board and Membership Meetings

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Junior Audubon Meetings are held Saturdays at various locations.

General Membership Meetings are held the last Monday of the month (Sept. – May) at 7:30 PM at the John F. Donnelly Center of Aquinas College located at 157 Woodward Lane SE. December (Christmas Bird Count) and May (Annual Banquet) meetings are held at different locations and times. Upcoming field trip information is published in each newsletter. See the GRAC website for the complete field trip list. Any additions or deletions to the above calendar will be noted in future issues of the newsletter.

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