

BIRD TOWN *FLYER*

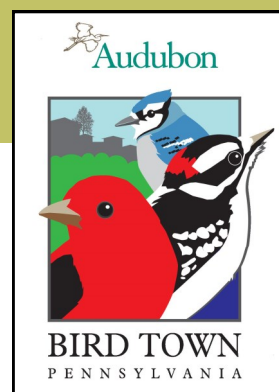


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Festival Time!

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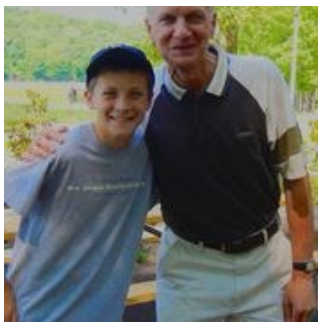
Hummingbird Time!

Maybe you've enjoyed a summer filled with hummingbirds in your yard, or are still yearning to see one (or more). Well, it's not too late! In fact, male birds set off on migration around this time of year and although their diet consists of about 65% insects, they will still visit feeders. You might see hummingbirds at your feeders through mid-September or later...and keep your feeders up (and warmed if you can) through November and you never know what might show up! (see the youtube video linked below the newsletter). Record your sightings at www.hummingbirdsathome.org. And if you get an unfamiliar bird, especially late into the season, contact us immediately as it might be noteworthy! (Feeders are relatively inexpensive and can be filled with 4:1 water to granulated white sugar solution. Check out our business partners listed on right which offer discounts to Bird Habitat participants.)



DVOC Presents Scholarship Award

By Stephen E. Kacir



On Saturday, 9 August 2014, the Delaware Valley Ornithological Club (DVOC) held field trips, a picnic and an award ceremony to celebrate the recipient of the first ever Adam J Sabatine Memorial Scholarship Award. The scholarship sends **James Haley Familetti** to the American Birding Association's Camp Avocet in Delaware, and celebrates the life of Adam Sabatine, a local birder who is sadly no longer with us. Adam's father, David Sabatine was present, and both David and James gave heartwarming speeches. The Adam J Sabatine Memorial Scholarship was developed by the DVOC Youth Birding Committee, chaired by Cindy Ahern. James and David are pictured above (photo courtesy of Stephen E. Kacir). For more information, see DVOC link below newsletter.

Habitat Discount Businesses!

- Yellow Springs Farm
- Red Bud Nursery
- Edge of the Woods Nursery
- Meadowood Nursery
- David Bros Natives
- Collins Nursery
- Sugarbush Nursery
- Ernst Conservation Seeds
- Sylva Native Nursery
- Briar Bush Nature Ctr
- Churchville Nature Ctr
- Pennypack Ecological Restoration Trust
- Wild Birds Unlimited (Buckingham)
- Wild Birds Unlimited (Allentown)
- County Line Landscape
- Blooming Valley Landscape Nursery
- Do It Best Hardware (Radnor)
- Life is Good (North Wales)

For details see pa.audubon.org/save



BirdTownPA



Audubon At Home
John James Audubon Center
at Mill Grove
1201 Pawlings Rd.
Audubon PA 19403
610.666.5593 x112

Plant Propagation Workshop this Fall!

Stay tuned for information about a seed collection and propagation workshop in one of our 23 Bird Towns this year.

Learn the “science” of preparing native seeds for germination and growing your own native nursery!



The French, Hay, and Pickering Creeks in Chester and Berks Counties are among the most pristine tributaries in the Schuylkill River Watershed. You can join the effort to keep them beautiful as a Schuylkill Water Steward!

As a Schuylkill Water Steward volunteer, you will participate in five fun and engaging training sessions through which you will learn about the science of healthy watersheds, threats to our local streams, water sampling techniques, and more. Training begins 9/11/14 and continues through 10/30/14. Following your training, you'll get to work protecting area streams by:

- Monitoring water quality
- Keeping an eye on stormwater
- Observing aquatic wildlife and their habitats
- Planting and managing streamside buffers



Visit schuylkillwaterstewards.org to learn more and apply. Applications due by 8/25/14.

Major funding is provided through the William Penn Foundation's multi-state initiative to protect and restore the Delaware River Watershed, which includes the Schuylkill Watershed.



Bird on a Wire Awards

Jeannine Mitchell won the Bird on a Wire award again in **June** for Design for Mark and Dara Bortman in Yardley. The **July** award goes to **Mary Ellen Heisey** for her rain garden at the Schuylkill Township Building

The fall Backyard Conservation Design series is scheduled to begin September 8 at 7:00 PM. The class lasts 10 weeks. Once you complete the course requirements you will receive a certificate in Backyard Conservation Design. Nineteen people have already completed the course.

Backyard Conservation Design is an environmentally-sensitive, low-impact and restorative approach to backyard and open space design. For more information contact John Rogers jrogers@keystoneconservation.org

CALENDAR OF EVENTS—2014

WILD SUMMER CONSERVATION FILM SERIES IN WAYNE

WEDNESDAY, August 27 @ 7PM - Birders: the Central Park Effect (2012)

At the screenings, guest speakers/local experts will be present, including Phil Wallis of Audubon PA and Phil Witmer of the Delaware Valley Ornithological Club. We'll have an opportunity to discuss what we can do to help. The film series is presented by Radnor Memorial Library, Radnor Conservancy, **Radnor Bird Town**, and Radnor Township's Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC).



4th Annual

UPPER PERKIOMEN BIRD & WILDLIFE FESTIVAL

WHO WANTS TO HAVE SOME FUN?!

LIVE MUSIC!

NATIVE PLANTS!

BIRD CALLING CONTEST

CRAFTS and GAMES for KIDS!

FUN & PRIZES!

ARTISTS & VENDORS

BUTTERFLY RELEASE with WINGED WONDERS

FREE HAY RIDES

HABITAT RAP PUPPET SHOW

FOOD & DRINKS!

PENNSYLVANIA WoodMobile an educational experience

PENNSYLVANIA FOREST PRODUCTS ASSOCIATION'S WOODMOBILE!

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 27, 2014
11:00 AM to 3:00 PM FREE ADMISSION!

Green Lane Park
FOLLOW SIGNS TO AMPHITHEATER
2144 Snyder Road Green Lane, PA 18054
215-234-4528
MONTGOMERY COUNTY: www.parks.montcopa.org

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