Meetings – Free, held in the Community Center at Norlo Park, 3050 Lincoln Way East, Fayetteville.

Field Trips – **Free**, most take place on Saturdays. Contact the leader in advance if you plan to go. Times listed are departure times; please arrive early. If you cannot go on a scheduled trip, contact the leader for a potential mid-week option on his/her scouting trip.

Films – **Free**, all begin at 7:30 PM in Chambersburg Area Middle School South, 1151 E. McKinley St., Chambersburg, PA. Pre-show musical entertainment begins at 7:00 PM.

2016-2017 Schedule:

Sept. 12, 2016, Monday

MEETING

7:00 PM. *Birds of Honduras and Their Shade-Grown Coffee Habitat*, by Laura Jackson. Arranged by Rhetta Martin.

Sept. 17, Saturday FIELD TRIP

7:30 AM for FALL MIGRANTS. Meet in parking lot of Scotland Exit 20, I-81 northbound. Moderate walk of less than .5 mile in wet grass at Heisey Orchard, then bird by car in Michaux SF from Stillhouse Hollow to Fayetteville. Bring binoculars and snacks. Should end by noon. **Bill Oyler**, oylerbill@gmail.com or 717-360-5191.

Sept. 24, Saturday FIELD TRIP

7:30 AM. Conococheague Institute near Welsh Run for LATE MIGRATING and RESIDENT BIRDS. Leave from Sunnyway Foods parking lot, 49 Warm Spring Road, Chambersburg. Bring binoculars, CBs, and snack. **Shirley Fenstermacher**, 264-8344.

Oct. 1, Saturday FIELD TRIP

7:30 AM. End of FALL MIGRATION along Big Spring in Cumberland County. Meet at parking lot about 300 yards north of old fish hatchery near 844 Big Spring Rd., Newville. Plan on a 3-mile walk. Bring water and snack. No restrooms. Linda and Bill Franz, 776-4463.

Oct. 10, Monday MEETING

7:00 PM. Exploring eBird: finding birds, keeping lists, alerts, hot spots and more! by Valerie Barnes.

Oct. 20, Thursday FIELD TRIP

6:30 AM. National Aviary, Pittsburgh. Car pool from Burger King, 2194 Lincoln Way West, Chambersburg. (Eat before leaving.) Bring lunch. Flight 93 Memorial and dinner on return trip. Cost, \$14 entrance fee plus turnpike tolls. Provide cell phone number in advance for communicating en route. **Bob Kochert**, 263-3692.

Nov. 14, Monday MEETING

7:00 PM. *Opossum Lake Revival: a local dam restored,* by Mary Franco, president, Friends of Opossum Lake. Arranged by Debby Hook.

Nov. 17, Thursday FILM

7:30 PM. *American Serengeti*. See first-hand results of a massive project to restore the wildlife of America's Great Plains. (50 min.)

Dec. 3, Saturday FIELD TRIP

6:00 AM. Blackwater NWR, Maryland, auto tour for WATERFOWL. Leave from Martins' home, return by nightfall. Bring scopes, binoculars, CBs, and lunch. **Eric and Rhetta Martin**, 597-8675.

Dec. 12, Monday MEETING

7:00 PM. Ruffed Grouse on the Michaux: The state of our state bird, by Roy Brubaker, Michaux District Forester. Arranged by Bob Kochert.

Dec. 17, Sat. CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT

All day, Chambersburg area. Dinner and tally at 6 PM Monday, Dec. 19, in Fleck Center, Luther Ridge, 2998 Luther Drive, Chambersburg, PA. **Valerie Barnes**, 352-4397.

Dec. 29, Thur. CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT

All day, York Springs area. For information contact **Vern Gauthier**, 385-9526 or pabirder@gmail.com.

Dec. 31, Sat. CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT

All day, Newville area. For information contact **Vern Gauthier**, 385-9526 or pabirder@gmail.com.

Jan. 9, 2017, Monday MEETING 6:00 PM. Covered dish dinner and members' photo show. All are welcome. Arranged by Terri

Jan. 19, Thursday

Kochert

FILM

7:30 PM. *Big Sur: Wild California*. Learn how condors, sea otters and mountain lions all contribute to this seaside ecosystem. (50 min.)

January/February

FIELD TRIP

If interested in visiting Gettysburg Battlefield for SHORT-EARED OWLS, sign up by Dec. 15, 2016 (name, contact information). **Bob Kochert**, 263-3692, will advise upon report of sightings. Meet at Norlo Park Community Center.

Feb. 13, Monday **MEETING** 7:00 PM. *Birding in the West*, by Bob and Terri Kochert.

March 7, Tuesday FIELD TRIP

6:00 PM. Tentative outing for WOODCOCKS. If at Heisey Road orchard, meet at Chambersburg Mall, 3055 Black Gap Rd., Chambersburg (north side near Bon Ton wall). Bring CBs and flashlights. For update, **Bob Kochert**, 263-3692.

March 11, Saturday FIELD TRIP

6:30 AM. Middle Creek WMA, Lancaster County auto tour for WATERFOWL. Meet in parking lot at Scotland exit, I-81 northbound. Bring scopes, binoculars, CBs, and lunch. **Eric and Rhetta Martin**, 597-8675.

March 13, Monday MEETING

7:00 PM. *Mosquito-borne Illness Control in Pennsylvania*, by Master Gardener Donna K. Scherer. Arranged by Janet Tice.

March 18, Saturday

FIELD TRIP

7:30 AM. York County WATERFOWL auto tour; return by 3:00 PM. Leave from parking lot at northeast corner of Pa. 233 and U.S. 30. Bring scopes, binoculars, CBs and lunch. **Conway Bushey**, 262-5659; and **Bill Franz**, 776-4463.

March 23, Thursday

FILM

7:30 PM. *Hummingbirds: Magic in the air.*Stunning high-definition, high-speed footage of hummingbirds helps us to understand more about these remarkable creatures. (60 min.)

April 1, Saturday WORK DAY 9:00 AM. Work in the native garden at NORLO PARK. Josh Donaldson, 264-6920.

April 10, Monday
7:00 PM. Rain Gardens and Native Landscaping,
by Allison Compbell and Jones Mitchell Allisone

by Allison Campbell and Jenna Mitchell, Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay. Arranged by Linda Kaiser.

April 15, Saturday WORK DAY 9:00 AM. Work at NORLO PARK native garden. Josh Donaldson, 264-6920.

April 15, Saturday FIELD TRIP

7:00 AM. Letterkenny Army Depot for SPRING MIGRANTS. <u>Sign up deadline APRIL 8</u>; Photo ID required, possible background check. If security issues arise, we will visit the perimeter of the property. Leave from North Pointe Center, U.S. 11 north of Chambersburg. Bring ID, scopes, binoculars, and snack. **David Cooney**, 264-2116.

April 29, Saturday FIELD TRIP

7:00 AM. Little Cove for SPRING MIGRANTS. Leave from Buchanan's Birthplace State Park, Cove Gap. Bring scopes, binoculars, CBs and lunch. **Valerie Barnes**, 352-4397; or **Donna Hocker**, 401-0604.

May 5, Friday
6:30 AM. Path Valley for SPRING MIGRANTS.
Leave from Keener's home, 5207 Heisey Road.
Bring scopes, binoculars, CBs, and lunch. **Bob**Keener, 532-9723 (home) or 658-8765 (cell).

May 6, Saturday WORK DAY 9:00 AM. Work at NORLO PARK native garden. **Josh Donaldson**, 264-6920.

May 6, Saturday FIELD TRIP

6:00 <u>PM.</u> Lehman property for SPRING MIGRANTS. Meet at 750 Tallow Hill Road, Chambersburg, for a walk around a pond, through meadows and woods. **Larry Lehman**, 263-7203.

May 8, Monday MEETING

7:00 PM. *Birds of Bhutan and Cambodia*, by Mike Bertram, South Mountain Audubon Society. Arranged by Terri Kochert.

May 13, Saturday MIGRATORY BIRD COUNT All day. Pennsylvania Migration Count (PAMC). For tally form and details, contact Conway Bushey, 262-5659.

May 16, Tuesday FIELD TRIP 6:00 PM. Edenville area for WHIP-POOR-WILLS and BOBOLINKS. Leave from Sunnyway Foods parking lot, 49 Warm Spring Road, Chambersburg. Bring scopes, binoculars,

and CBs. Eric and Rhetta Martin, 597-8675.

May 20, Saturday FIELD TRIP

8:00 AM. "Out of the Ore: Birds and Blooms Walking Trail" near Mont Alto. An easy walk to the ironworks and vernal pool which are home to birds, wildlife, insects, tree and plant species. Meet at Orchard Drive parking area off PA 997 near Penn National Golf Course. **Conway Bushey**, 262-5659.

June 3, Saturday WORKSHOP 8:00 AM. Beginner Birding Workshop. Meet at first parking lot beyond Visitors' Center in Caledonia State Park, Fayetteville. Conway Bushey, 262-5659.

June 10, Saturday FIELD TRIP

7:00 AM. South Mountain/Caledonia/Michaux IBA for SPRING MIGRANTS. Leave from second parking lot beyond Visitors' Center in Caledonia State Park. Bring scopes, binoculars, and CBs. Eric and Rhetta Martin, 597-8675.

<u>Board Meetings – at Norlo Park Community</u> Center

Oct 6, 2016 – Thursday 7:00 PM

Dec. 8, 2016 – Thursday 7:00 PM

Feb. 23, 2017 – Thursday 7:00 PM

April 13, 2017 – Thursday 6:30 PM, field trip planning; board meeting at 7:30 PM

July 20, 2017 – Thursday 7:00 PM

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ACTIVITIES



2016-2017 Season Conococheague Audubon

Serving our Valley Since 1961

Conococheague Audubon Society meets the second Monday each month, September through May, at 7 PM in the Community Center at Norlo Park in Guilford Township near Fayetteville. Program topics focus on birds, wildlife and conservation. All are welcome.

Three professionally produced nature films are shown each year at Chambersburg Area Middle School South, and the group takes many field trips throughout the year.

Projects

Audubon Adventures for Classrooms Christmas and Migratory Bird Counts Norlo Park Native Plants Garden Educational Exhibits and Presentations Birding Workshop

Birding Workshop Checklist of Birds
Bluebird Trail Nature Film Series
Rare Bird Alerts Field Trip Records

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