MEETINGS – Free, at NEW LOCATION: St Luke Evangelical Lutheran Church, (off Route 997, near Scotland exit of I-81) 2695 Luther Dr, Chambersburg, PA 17202. Some via Zoom.

HYBRID MEETING indicates Zoom meeting while at St Luke OR view it from home.

FIELD TRIPS – Free, most take place on Saturdays. Leaders’ names in bold print; call to sign up. Arrive early for prompt departure times. If you cannot go on a scheduled trip, contact the leader for a possible mid-week option.

FILMS – Free – 7:30 PM, Chambersburg Area Middle School South. 115 E McKinley St, Chambersburg. Pre-show musical entertainment at 7:00 PM; door prizes at end of program. Donations welcome.

2021-2022 Tentative (due to COVID-19) Schedule

- Mask required if not fully vaccinated. Please follow current COVID restrictions.

- Year-round: BIRD WALKS
- Soar walks, 8:00 AM first and third Saturdays; various locations in Franklin County. Larry and Sharon Williams, 717-655-7414; or The Institute, 717-762-0373.

- Sept. 4, 2021, Saturday: FIELD TRIP and PARK Ride 7:15 AM for FALL MIGRANTS. Meet at 7:15 AM at the Park and Ride, Scotland Exit 20, I-81 northbound. One mile walk in wet grass at Heissey Orchard. Then by car on Michouk SF roads with additional walk(s) of up to half mile, with trip ending between 12 and 1 PM. Bring binoculars and snack. Bill Oyster, oyerthill@gmail.com or 717-360-5191.

- Sept. 13, Monday: ZOOM or HYBRID MEETING 7:00 PM Cape May Fall Migrants by Chris & Rebecca Payne. Preparation for the Cape May trip this month. Arranged by John and Sue Greer.

- Sept. 18, Saturday: FIELD TRIP 9:00 AM Chambersburg section of Cumberland Valley Rail Trail. Meet at Big Lots, 184 Southgate Mall, parking lot next to Washington Street. Bring binoculars. Terri Kochert, 717-263-3692.

- Sept. 22-24, Wed-Fri: FIELD TRIP Trip to Cape May NJ, for FALL MIGRANTS. WARBLERS, RAPTORs and SEABRIDS. Bring scopes and binoculars. Signup Deadline is Sept. 15 Sue Greer. 443-255-9559 or sgreer412@gmail.com


- Oct. 11, Monday: ZOOM or HYBRID MEETING 6:45 PM Youth Contest Bird Photos & Lists due tonight. 7:00 PM. Wood Thrush Nest Success and Productivity in Central Pennsylvania Contiguous Forests by Eric Zawatski. Arranged by Terri Kochert.

- Nov. 8, Sunday: ZOOM or HYBRID MEETING 7:00 PM Research and Techniques in Ornithological Illustration by Liz Wahid, Certified Science Illustrator. Arranged by Valerie Barnes and Anne St. John. Youth Contest Winners announced tonight.

- Dec. 3, Monday: MEETING 7:00 PM The Beauty and Fragility of the Everglades by Dave Griffith, Floridan naturalist. Arranged by Terri Kochert.

- Winter: FIELD TRIP Sign up by Dec. 14, for possible visit to Gettysburg Battlefield for SHORT-EARED OWLS (name, contact information). Bob Kochert, 717-263-3692, will advise as to sightings. Meet at Norlo Park Community Center.

- Dec. 14, Tuesday: CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT All day, Franklin/Fulton Counties. For information, Vern Gauthier, 717-385-9526 or verngauthier14@gmail.com

- Dec. 18, Saturday: CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT All day, Chambersburg area. Dinner and tally at 6:00 PM Monday, Dec. 20, in Flock Center, Luther Ridge Rd., Chambersburg, PA. Valerie Barnes, 717-352-4397.

- Dec. 29, Wednesday: CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT All day, York Springs area. For information, Tim Johnson, 717-409-4805, tj359@sbcglobal.net

- Jan. 1, 2022, Sat.: CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT All day, Newville area. For information, Vern Gauthier, 717-385-9526 or verngauthier14@gmail.com

- Jan. 10, Monday: MEETING 6:00 PM Covered dish dinner and members’ photo show. All are welcome. Check our website for updates: www.ConococheagueAudubon.org

- Jan. 20, Thursday: FILM 7:30 PM Return of the Clouded Leopards. (National Geographic) A pair of rare leopard cubs are rescued from poachers and raised to live to the wild. Special music starts at 7:00 PM, door prizes, one free youth binoculars prize.

- Feb. 4, Monday: ZOOM or HYBRID MEETING 7:00 PM Snowy Owl. A Visual Natural History, by award-winning author and wildlife photographer, Paul Bannick of Seattle, WA. Arranged by Jessica Ferguson.

- Feb. 18-20, Fri.-Sun.: FIELD TRIP Blackwater NWR, Maryland, auto tour for WATERFOWL. Leave from Martins’ home at 6:00 PM Friday. Bring scopes, binoculars, and lunch. Make your own motel arrangements. Eric and Rhetta Martin, 717-597-8675.

- March 5, Saturday: FIELD TRIP 6:30 AM Middle Creek WMA. Lancaster County auto tour for WATERFOWL. Meet at the Park & Ride, Scotland, Exits 20, I-81 northbound. Bring scopes, binoculars, and lunch. Eric and Rhetta Martin, 717-597-8675.


- March 14, Monday: MEETING 7:00 PM Forest-Bird Restoration by Ron Rohrbaugh. Director, Conservation Science and Forest Programs, Mid-Atlantic Audubon. Arranged by Terri Kochert.

- March 24, Thursday: FILM 7:00 PM Last Stand of the Great Bear. (National Geographic) Great Bear rainforest of British Columbia. Brown, black, “spirit” bears, wolves, and salmon fishing. Special music starts at 7:00 PM, door prizes, one free youth binoculars prize.

- April 11, Monday: MEETING 7:00 PM Interactions of Wetlands and Agrosystems: a case study from central Georgia by Brady Clark, Penn State. Arranged by Bob Kochert. Annual business meeting and elections. All chapter members welcome.

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- April 14, Thursday: FILM 7:30 PM 7:30 PM In Search of the Jaguar. (National Geographic) Narrated by Glenn Close, an amazing story of a boy with a speech impediment that led him to a lifelong passion for jaguars and their preservation. Special music starts at 7:00 PM, door prizes, one free youth binoculars prize.


- April 23, Saturday: FIELD TRIP 8:00 AM C&O Canal. BIRDING and HISTORY. Walk along the canal. Bring binoculars and lunch. Meet at Big Blackwater Boat Ramp parking lot, Sharpsburg, MD. Jim Hardy, 717-404-8989.


- May 2-4, Mon.-Wed.: FIELD TRIP Trip to Magee Marsh, Ohio, for WARBLER MIGRANTS. Bring scopes, binoculars, and lunch. Make own hotel arrangements. Sign up by Feb. 27. Bob and Terri Kochert, 717-263-3692.


- May 6, Friday: FIELD TRIP 6:00 PM Lehman property for SPRING MIGRANTS. Meet at 750 Tallow Hill Road, Chambersburg, to walk around a pond, meadows and woods. Larry Lehman, 717-263-7203.

- May 7, Saturday: FIELD TRIP 7:00 AM Little Cove for SPRING MIGRANTS. Meet at the entrance of Buchanan’s Birthplace State Park. Bring lunch and binoculars. Valerie Barnes, 717-352-4397 or Donna Hocker, 717-491-2171.


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Joint Executive Committee/Board Meetings

NEW LOCATION: Norlo Park Farmhouse

September 14, 2021 Thursday 7:00 PM

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2021-2022 Season

Conococheague Audubon

Serving our Valley Since 1961
- Conococheague Audubon Society meets the second Monday each month, September through May, at 7 PM. NEW LOCATION: St Luke Evangelical Lutheran Church, 2695 Luther Dr, Chambersburg, PA 17202.
- Program topics focus on birds, wildlife and conservation. All are welcome.
- Nature films, produced by National Geographic and PBS, are shown each year at Chambersburg Area Middle School South.

The group takes many free field trips throughout the year.

Projects

Audubon Adventures for Classrooms
- Christmas Bird Counts
- Norlo Park Native Plants Garden
- Educational Exhibits and Presentations
- Interpretive Sign at Chambersburg’s CV Rail-Trail

Beginning Birders’ Workshop
- Checklight of Birds
- Bluebird Trail
- Nature Film Series
- Field Trip Records
- Scholarship
- Displays, Programs
- Youth Contests

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ACTIVITIES
Tentative due to COVID-19

May 9, Monday
MEETING
7:00 PM Is Sustainability Impossible or Inevitable? by James P. Hamilton. Arranged by Ron George.

May 14, Saturday
WORK DAY

May 21, Saturday
FIELD TRIP

June 4, Saturday
WORKSHOP
7:45 AM Beginning Birders’ Workshop. Meet at Visitors’ Center in Caledonia State Park, Fayetteville; park in first parking lot beyond Visitors’ Center. Bring binoculars; a few pairs available for loan. Pre-register with Dave Cooney, 717-264-2116 or Janet Tice jtwice1@comcast.net, 717-372-0379.

June 11, Saturday
FIELD TRIP
7:00 AM South Mountain/Caledonia/Michaups Important Birding Area (IBA) for SPRING MIGRANTS. Leave from second parking lot beyond Visitors’ Center in Caledonia State Park. Bring scopes and binoculars. Eric and Rhetta Martin, 717-597-8675.

June 18, Saturday
FIELD TRIP

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