

Regular Meetings/Programs

Bellwood-Antis Public Library
526 Main Street, Bellwood, PA
Phone: 814-742-8234

6:00pm: Free dinner
Menus posted on website
(with hot Lenca Farms coffee)
6:45pm: Meeting and program

Detailed descriptions are in the
The Gnatcatcher and at
www.JVAS.org

Program: Tues. Jan. 15
Members' Night

Bring your pictures, videos,
nature-related poetry, art, and
crafts to share with us. Let Laura
Jackson know by 1/15/19 if you
plan to participate.

Program: Tues. Feb. 19
David Hand: Meet the
Magnificent Marbled
Salamander

You'll be enthralled by the photos
and videos of this secretive
creature as you learn about its
life cycle.

Program: Tues. March 19
Susan Braun & Debra Grim:
Birding the Rio Grande Valley

Highlights of a recent birding trip
to parks and natural areas in this
scenic Texas valley (which is
really a floodplain) will include
some of the flora and fauna
discovered while birding.



Tues. April 16
Banquet & 50th
Anniversary Celebration
Jethro's at 417 Parkview
Lane, Altoona, PA
Buffet Reservations required
by 4/8/19.

Send check for \$20 payable to
JVAS to Laura Jackson
8621 Black Valley Road,
Everett, PA 15537

5 - 6 pm Reception honoring
JVAS: 50 years of Conservation
5:30pm Silent Auction begins
6:00pm Buffet Dinner
7:00pm: The Birds of New
Guinea and Conservation
Lessons for Everyone by
Andrew Mack. Andrew, who
lived and studied in Papua New
Guinea, will share photos of
endemic birds, and scientific
lessons learned from both
leading biologists and
indigenous peoples.

Program: Tues. May 21
Amber Altiero, RN:
Preventing Tick Bites and
Tick-borne Diseases
Dare2B Tick Aware program will
help you prevent tick bites and
will help you know what to do if
you get Lyme Disease.

Picnic: Tues. June 18
Canoe Creek St. Park 6 - 9pm
Pavilion 2. Covered Dish - let
Catie know what you plan to
bring: catiegk5059@gmail.com
JVAS supplies chicken. Nature
hike at 7 PM. Optional visit to bat
church at 8:30 PM.

Special Events

March showing of the film:
Cathedral: The Fight to save the
Ancient Hemlocks of
Cook Forest



Check the JVAS Website for
time and location

National Audubon Climate
Watch Jan. 15 - Feb. 15
Contact Coordinator Deb Grove
for more details: dsg4@psu.edu

The Great Backyard Bird Count
Feb. 15 - Feb. 18
Sign up at birdcount.org


EARTH WEEK BIRDING CLASSIC

Sun. 4/21/19 - Sun. 4/28/19
The 4th Annual Earth Week
Birding Classic at Penn State
Altoona will start at **12 noon on**
Sunday, April 21 and end at **12**
noon on Sunday, April 28, 2019.
Celebration at Slep Center at 1 pm on
April 28. Teams will bird for a 24-
hour period. Reserve by 4/14/19.
More details: www.JVAS.org

Sat. May 4: Native Plant
Festival at Boal Mansion
Boalsburg, PA. JVAS will table
the event. Contact Laura Jackson
if you would like to help.

Field Trips

Contact field trip chair Susan
Braun if you have questions:
braun3112@gmail.com
(814)574-0795
Check details in the
Gnatcatcher and at www.JVAS.org

Trip: Sat. 3/23: 1 - 4pm
Chimney Rocks Park
Short hike with Susan Braun and
Sharon Clewell to this scenic
landmark, tour the new
NatureWorks Park, and
enjoy sweet treats at
Allegheny Creamery. 
JVAS website on meetup
details.

Trip: Sat. 3/30: Bedford Co.
Whitetail Wetlands Bird Walk
8:30am - 2pm
Meet at the Eat 2 Live Bistro (which
is now closed) on Rt. 56 at 1634
Quaker Valley Rd, New Paris, PA
15554 at 8:30 am. We will carpool a
short distance to the wetlands. Wear
waterproof boots, bring binoculars,
listen to the forecast, and dress
accordingly. Optional Lunch at
Slick's Ivy Stone (8785 William Penn
Rd., Osterburg). **Call to confirm this**
trip, as we often must cancel due to
icy conditions. Trip Leaders: Mike
and Laura Jackson 814-652-9268





**Trip: Sat. 4/13: 9am – 12noon
Lower Trail Trillium Hike**
Easy 3 – 4 mile hike looking for native wildflowers along the Lower Trail. Bring lunch and water. Meet at Water Street Flea Market, RT 22 & Rt 453, Alexandria, Huntingdon County.

**Trip: Sat. 4/20: 8-11am
Birding the Bells Gap Rail Trail**
Meet at the Bell Gap Trailhead for a 2 mile hike, looking for spring warblers led by John Carter and Mark Nale. Bring drink and snack. Lunch at Nunzio's Pizza after the hike.
More details at www.JVAS.org

**Trip: Sat. 4/27: 1 – 5pm
Shaver's Creek Cabin Walk**
Jennifer Baldwin will lead this hike on the Ironstone Trail in Huntingdon Co. We'll finish at Jennifer's cabin for a potluck dinner. Meet at the intersection of Rt. 26 and Charter Oak Rd. More details at www.JVAS.org

**Trip: Sat. 5/11: 7:30 – 11:30am
Migration Walk – Bullit Run to Lower Green's Run**
Join Susan for the PA Migration Count on this flat 2-mile walk in Bald Eagle State Park. Enjoy a delicious lunch at the Kitchen Witch in Howard, afterwards. Meet at the Lower Green's Run Parking Lot.

**Trip: Sat. 5/18: 9am – 1pm
Canoe Creek Wildflower Walk**
 Join Debra Grim and Susan Braun to walk the Limestone and Moore's Hill trails to admire wild phlox, trout lilies, yellow lady's-slippers. Return on a rocky trail up the hill or along the Limestone trail without climbing the hill. Bring lunch and water. Meet in the large parking lot near the boat rentals at the lake.
<https://goo.gl/maps/Y35pAJRTHhK2>


**Trip: Sat. 5/25: 8 – 11 am
Warbler Walk at Mtn. Meadows South of Everett, PA**
Laura and Mike Jackson will lead a bird walk through their young forest, looking for warblers and other young forest-dependent birds. Bring lunch and water. Directions are on the JVAS website.



**JVAS has
Binoculars
for anyone
to use on
field trips-
just ask**

**Juniata Valley Audubon Society
Chapter-only Membership**

Chapter-only membership includes membership in the Juniata Valley Audubon Society ONLY. You will receive the chapter newsletter, *The Gnatcatcher*. It does not include membership in the National Audubon Society. If you want to join National Audubon, go to www.Audubon.org

- Chapter-only Memberships:**
Individual - \$15/year
Family - \$20/year
Supporting - \$35/year
Friend - \$50/year
Corporate - \$100/year
Life Time - \$500

Name _____

Street
Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone Number: _____

Please provide your e-mail address:

_____ Would you like to receive a digital copy of *The Gnatcatcher*?
 _____yes _____no

Return this form with your check payable to **JVAS** to:

**Juniata Valley Audubon Society
Debra Grim, Membership
8844 Boonie Lane
Petersburg, PA 16669**



**2019 Winter/Spring
Juniata Valley
Audubon Society
(JVAS)**

**Serving Birds, People and Habitats in
Bedford, Blair, Huntingdon & Mifflin Counties since 1969**

JVAS meets monthly September through May on the 3rd Tuesday at the Bellwood-Antis Library just off I-99 Exit 41 in Bellwood, PA.

6 pm: Free Dinner
7 pm: Program

**Visitors are always welcome
Projects**

- Birding and eBIRDS Workshops
- Bird Conservation: Local and International
- Christmas Bird Counts
- Conservation Advocacy to Protect Natural Habitats
- Educational Exhibits and Presentations
- Fort Roberdeau Native Plant Garden
- Fort Roberdeau Bluebird Trail
- Golden-winged Warbler Conservation
- Industrial Wind Development Education
- Organic Shade Coffee Promotion

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