

Wichita Audubon



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CNC Upcoming Programs

Friday, May 19 7:30 - 9 pm
Frog and Toad Walk
Learn about the amphibians that make Kansas their home. Participants will visit ponds and vernal pools to listen for the calls of frogs and toads. Bring a flashlight.

Saturday, June 11
10 - 11:30 am
Butterfly Walk
Check out the butterflies that make chaplin Nature Center their home. Question Mark, Admirals, and an abundance of Hackberry butterflies will be on our top ten list. Butterfly nets will be available to get a closer look at these creatures.

Saturday, July 22,
10 am - noon
Natural Tie-Dye
Use common plants found in and around your yard to tie dye the natural way. Participants will learn about simple dyeing techniques and try their hand at making their own creation. Bring your own T-shirt for this class. Preregistration is required. Call the Nature Center at 316-442-4133.

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May Meeting

Our May meeting is a special treat. Chris Cokinos presents "Hope is a Thing with Feathers: A Personal Chronicle of Extinct American Birds." Chris' book of the same title was just released March 24, the 100th anniversary of the shooting of the last Passenger Pigeon. His work covers the Carolina Parakeet, Passenger Pigeon, Ivory-billed Woodpecker, Heath Hen, Labrador Duck, and Great Auk.

Chris Cokinos is an award winning writer and poet, and a professor of English at Kansas State University. He is a Trustee on the board of Audubon of Kansas, an active member of Northern Flint Hills Audubon in Manhattan, and a past president of the Kansas Audubon Council.

This meeting will also include election of officers (see page 2 for the slate) and presentation of the 2000 Meritorious Service Award.

We have a tradition of taking our speaker to dinner before the meeting. You can join us to dine at Jason's Deli, in Bradley Fair at 21st and Rock Road, at 5:45 pm.

Coming Events

May 13
North American Migratory Bird Count. An all day survey of Sedgwick County. To participate, call Pete Janzen at 832-0182, or Bob Gress at 683-5499.

May 16
Regular meeting, "Hope is a Thing With Feathers", by Chris Cokinos. 7:30 pm at the Great Plains Nature Center.

May 21
Quivira NWR/Cheyenne Bottoms. Meet at the Quivira National Wildlife Refuge headquarters at 9 am, and bring a lunch. Leader: Bob Dester, 316-283-7070.

June 10
Walk with Wildlife at the Great Plains Nature Center. This Wichita Wild event is supported by volunteers from WAS. To help, or for more information, call the Great Plains Nature Center at 683-5499.

April 22-May 21
Birdathon! See page 2

July 18
Annual picnic at 6:30 pm in Chisholm Creek Park. Bring food to share, and your own service.