# Bird's-Eye View

October

(seed sale issue)

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### Audubon Calendar...

Membership Meeting; Wed, Oct 9, 7PM @ Forest Park Nature Center...

"Silent Spring Revisited?: Pesticide Contamination of Songbirds"

-Angelo Capparella, Associate Professor of Zoology, Curator of Birds and Mammals, Department of Biological Sciences, Illinois State University

In the mid-1990s, awareness of the hormonal disruption abilities of numerous industrial chemicals, especially organochlorine pesticides, received a new focus. Although well known for their egg-shell thinning effects in earlier years, new data revealed that reproduction of wildlife can be affected negatively in a variety of ways by very low levels of these hormone mimics. To better assess the meaning of these discoveries for neotropical migratory songbirds, a group of scientists at Illinois Wesleyan University and Illinois State University have been characterizing the type and levels of potential endocrine-disrupting chemicals in songbirds of all types throughout the Americas. Some of their findings have been rather surprising.

# Membership Meeting; Wed, Nov 13, 7PM @ Forest Park Nature Center...

Program to be announced but you can expect something timely and pertinent!

#### Field Trip to Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

Meet at 8:00 am at downtown Farmington or at 8:30 am at MWRDGC Headquarters on Cuba Blacktop. For more information and participation call Bert Princen, 691-0519.

Day-Date

Time

Sa-10/26

8:00 or 8:30 am (see

above)

Birdseed Sale Pick-up, Kelly's Seed and Hardware Pick up your pre-ordered seed in the parking lot at Kelly's Seed and Hardware between 9:00 and 11:00 am.

Day-Date

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Sa-11/2

9:00-11:00 am

## Annual Membership Meeting and Show & Tell, Forest Park Nature Center

Show your slides, videos, artwork, or actual specimens and tell your favorite stories from this past year.

Day-Date

Time

We-12/11

7:00 pm

## Annual Bird Seed Sale.

Whoever coined the phrase "eats like a bird" has never fed them! Support your local Peoria Audubon and the Friends of the Rock Island Trail. It's an excellent chance to make your dollars do double duty... Support local environmental organizations, and make your backyard a bird haven! Make sure to fill out the Seed Order Form on the Back of this newsletter and return it before the deadline of October 29. Pick Up Date is Sat, Nov 2 from 9:00 - 11:00 AM

#### About this issue...

by Mike Miller

I would like to thank Tracy Fox for her past editorship of the Bird's Eye View. She has worked at it for over two years along with building the Peoria Audubon Website (www.peoriaaudubon.org), dressing up the Audubon exhibit at Forest Park Nature Center. Thanks Tracy!!!

Now we need a new newsletter editor. (consider me an interim editor). It's a great opportunity for serving the local club, and the time committment is minimal. We publish 6 issues a year, and I will offer complete guidance and training (whatever you need) in taking on the project. Please contact me at the Nature Center (309)686-3360 or email rmiller3@ix.netcom.com. We need your help!

Next issue will be coming out in November with articles from Maury Brucker, updates from the Sanctuary Initiative, updated program calendar and birdsightings.

#### 103rd National Audubon Christmas Bird Counts

Saturday, December 14, Peoria Count. For participation and additional information contact Bert Princen, 691-0519.

Saturday, December 21, Lake Chautauqua Count. For participation and additional information contact Richard Bjorklund, 968-6502.

**Saturday, January 4, Chillicothe Count.** For participation and additional information Contact Tracy Fox, 579-3264.

The Wetlands Initiative will be leading a fall outing on Saturday, October 26 at the Hennepin and Hooper Lakes. Contact Marcia Edgerton at (312) 922-0777 for information and reservations.

#### **Annual Bird Seed Sale**

#### Friends of The Rock Island Trail and Peoria Audubon Society

Support your local environmental organizations by ordering your birdseed now. All seed is from Kelly Seed Company, who provides the seed at a special reduced price. Order plenty. The birds will love you. PLEASE NOTE: SEED WILL BE SOLD BY PRE-

ORDER ONLY. For more information, call 691-0519.

#### **Important Dates:**

Order Deadline: October 29, 2002

Pick-up Day: Saturday, November 2, 9:00 AM till 11:00 AM

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Type of Seed	Size	<u>Price</u>	NO. of Bags	<u>Total</u>	
Sunflower (Oil)	25 lbs 50 lbs	\$7.75 \$13.50		\$	
Sunflower (Striped)	25 lbs 50 lbs	\$8.50 \$15.50		\$ \$	
Sunflower Hearts	10 lbs 50 lbs	\$7.75 \$30.00		\$ \$	
Safflower	10 lbs	\$6.75		\$	
Thistle (Niger) Seed	10 lbs 50 lbs	\$7.75 \$31.00		\$ \$	
Premium Mix	25 lbs 50 lbs	\$6.75 \$12.75		\$ \$	
White Millet	10 lbs	\$4.25	THE PASSA MINISTER STATE OF THE	\$	
Cracked Corn	25 lbs	\$4.50		\$	

Mail order and check for amount due to Peoria Audubon Society, 677 E High Point Terrace, Peoria, IL 61614

An additional \$3.00 may be charged if order is not picked up on scheduled date.

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