

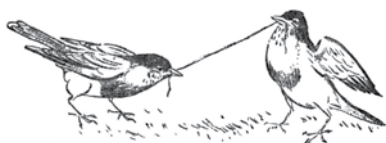
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Field Trip – Fall Colors on Falls Reservoir: Kayaking and Birding in Stanly County

Saturday, November 1

Please join us on November 1st for an easy kayak adventure to Falls Reservoir in Stanly County. Falls Reservoir is a stretch of the Pee Dee River between Badin Lake and Lake Tillery, where rock cliffs of the Uwharrie Mountains plunge into waters unspoiled by development. This hidden treasure should be at its best on November 1st, showcasing the fall leaves and the region’s water birds. The trip is limited to 15 people, and **we need your reservation by October 16th**. The cost of the trip is \$25 and includes single or tandem kayaks or two-seater canoes (the kayaks may be limited, so reserve early). If you bring your own kayak or canoe, there is no charge, but you must still reserve a spot for the trip. Bring lunch and water and meet us at 8 a.m. in the Sears parking lot at Friendly Center. We will return in the late afternoon. Trip leaders are Jane Lewis and Craig Lawrence. Call 336-460-7924 to reserve your spot. 🦋



Falls Reservoir by Jane Lewis

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November Program: "From the Andes to the Amazon: Wildlife of Peru"

Thursday, November 6*, 7:00 p.m.

Kathleen Clay Edwards Family Library

Speakers: Lynn Moseley & Lou Skrabec

In the summer of 2007, Lynn Moseley, biology professor at Guilford College, and Dave Davenport, herpetologist and president of EcoQuest Travel, led a 16-day trip to Peru to experience wildlife in the Andes Mountains and the Amazon Basin. Lynn and Lou Skrabec, a fellow participant, will take us along with them as they revisit Peru through photographs and stories of their adventures and the challenges of traveling to remote places. Most of their time was spent in Manu National Park, which hosts the greatest biodiversity of any place on earth, with the possible exception of Indonesian rain forests.



Red-bellied Macaws
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Please join us on Thursday, November 6th*, for a captivating look at the natural history of Peru and the wonders of wildlife there, from birds to mammals to reptiles and amphibians.

*Please note that although all our other evening programs fall on the second Thursday of the month, our November 2008 program is being held on the first Thursday of the month. 🦋

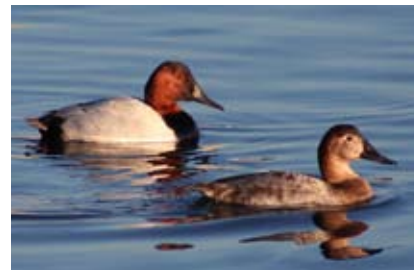
Field Trip to Hagan-Stone Park

Saturday, November 15

Join us for an easy walk in Greensboro's beautiful, quiet, and out-of-the-way Hagan-Stone Park. The park is home to wide trails meandering through now-forested old farmland. Many species can be found in and around the lake and ponds in the park: Hooded Mergansers, Canvasbacks, Gray Catbirds, and Brown Thrashers among others. Meet at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 15, at the parking lot across from the picturesque chapel to begin birding at the largest of the lakes in the park. Call Alice McCall at 698-0220 or email at alyb68@hotmail.com to RSVP. 🦋



Hooded Merganser, male,
by Louise Brown



Canvasbacks, male & female, by
Calibas, Wikimedia Commons

Thanksgiving Weekend Field Trip to NC Coastal Plain, Outer Banks, and Wildlife Refuges

Thursday - Sunday, November 27-30

Mission: At a comfortable pace and in a socially enjoyable atmosphere, participants will observe the migratory and indigenous waterfowl populations of North Carolina's Coastal Plain, Outer Banks, and National Wildlife Refuges (NWR). Infrequent, incidental, or rare sightings occur in these areas, the most likely places on the Eastern Seaboard for such events. Less experienced birders and new members will be especially nurtured by the seasoned members.

Destinations: Pea Island NWR, Alligator River NWR, Mattamuskeet NWR, Pocosin Lakes NWR (tentative), Pettigrew St. Park (tentative).

Accommodations: Participants will room in local motels near or in Manteo, NC. Details for communications with motels can be gotten from the trip leaders.

Meals/Provisions: Suppers will be optionally communal at local restaurants after each day's activity. Other meals and snacks will be the sole responsibility of each participant. Lunch will usually be picnic style.

Weather: While this area is usually comfortably warm to cool in November, come prepared for possible cold and/or wet weather.

General: All activities and schedules are subject to change due to weather constraints. Participation is optional daily and members may arrive and depart on any day. Prepare yourselves in advance because daily excursions will leave promptly as per schedule. Distances will be traveled in vehicles with stops for short walks to observation points.

Carpooling will be the order of the day!! Detailed trip itinerary will be distributed to each participant upon sign-up either by mail or by e-mail, dependent upon your request. Call or e-mail leaders for answers/discussion.

This will be an exciting and informative expedition. Come and enjoy one another's company as we explore these spectacular environments.

Trip Leaders: Emily Tyler, 336-375-5770, ettyler@triad.rr.com

Gregg Morris, 336-883-3270, gregg.morris@highpointnc.gov

Julien McCarthy, 336-656-4774, jbm@triad.rr.com 🦋



Greater Yellowlegs, Lake Mattamuskeet



Marbled Godwits & Willets, Pea Island NWR



Got 'em in our sights! Judith Pate, Emily Tyler, Julien McCarthy



Yes! It's Time to Think Christmas Potluck

Thursday, December 11, 6:00 p.m., Meeting Room KCEF Library



Food and photo fun are coming your way as we share a festive potluck dinner. Bring whatever you wish. Our TGPAS chapter will furnish beverages and dinnerware. However, we could be environmentally helpful by bringing our own washable place settings and cups.

After enjoying food and conversation we will be entertained with photos, slides, and PowerPoint presentations – from nature in our own backyards to weekend excursions to that special big trip. Please limit your presentation to 10 minutes. TGPAS will have a laptop computer and slide projector available for your use. Questions? Call Sue Cole, 854-3346

Nov/Dec Calendar

Sat, 11/ 1 – Field Trip: Falls Reservoir

Thurs, 11/6 - Meeting: “From the Andes to the Amazon: Wildlife of Peru”
Speakers: Lynn Moseley and Lou Skrabec

Sat, 11/15 – Field Trip: Hagan-Stone Park

Thurs - Sun, 11/27 - 11/30 – Field Trip:
NC Coastal Plain, Outer Banks, Wildlife Refuges

Sat, 12/6 – Field Trip: Lake Mackintosh and Cedarrock Park

Thurs, 12/11 – Potluck Dinner & Slide Show

Sat, 12/20 – Christmas Bird Count



Christmas Bird Count

Saturday, December 20

Teams will count in specified territories, and new birders are both needed and welcome. Some teams will do more riding than walking, and others will do the reverse; it depends on the territory. The results will be tabulated and become part of a national database for study and analysis. If you would like to participate in this enjoyable and scientifically valuable event, contact Elizabeth Link, 273-4672, baddogi@yahoo.com. 🐦

September – A Busy Month for TGPAS Volunteers

by Craig Lawrence

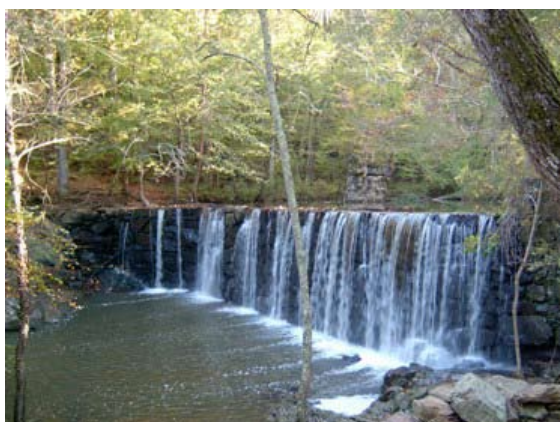
On September 20th Jack Jezorek led nine TGPAS volunteers participating in the Big Sweep, a city-wide day of cleanup sponsored by Greensboro Beautiful. Our team collected bags of litter in the 11-acre Audubon Natural Area, just north of Cone Hospital, and along the stretch of North Buffalo Creek which we have officially adopted. With the litter removed, the glow of this urban gem returned, and, as the group left, we could hear an approving rattle from the resident Belted Kingfisher. We hope you can join us as we conduct trail maintenance at the Natural Area later this year.

With school back in session, TGPAS volunteers took students outside to teach them birding basics. On September 22nd four members went out into the field with two classes of 26 children each from Mendenhall Middle School. On September 24th, as part of the national Take a Child Outside week, Dennis Burnette and other volunteers taught a class for children and families at the Kathleen Clay Edwards Family Library. Despite most of the library species being photos of birds pinned to trees, the children dashed from site to site with binoculars and bird books in hand, excited about discovering this rich new world of birds. TGPAS always has more volunteering opportunities than we can take on. Check our website or call one of our board members to find out how you can get involved. 🐦

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Field Trip to Lake Mackintosh and Cedarrock Park

Saturday, December 6



Cedarrock Falls

This field trip will concentrate on two sites: Lake Mackintosh, a reservoir in eastern Guilford/western Alamance counties, and Cedarrock Park, which combines trails through typical Piedmont forests and fields with an historical working farm representing rural life in the 19th Century. Last year, the group recorded a respectable total of 52 species by 12 noon. Trails are mostly well-maintained but include some short scrambles through woods and a few short, uphill rocky sections. This is a joint trip with the Piedmont Bird Club. Meet in the Sears parking lot Saturday morning for carpooling. We'll leave about 8:15 in order to meet leader Lynn Moseley in Burlington at the IHOP at Exit 141 (Huffman Mill Rd.) off I-85/I-40 at 9:00 a.m. RSVP to Lynn, 226-4353, lmoseley@guilford.edu. 🐦