



# *Little Gull*

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## ***December 2021 Events and Birding Field Trips***

Please Note: Pre-registration is now required for all field trips (see the COVID-19 field trip guidelines in the revised field trip schedule or on the RBA website). Registrations via Eventbrite open 7 days before the date of the field trip. Bring your own binoculars and scopes if available, as there is limited sharing of equipment

*It is membership renewal time! Please see page 7 for more information!*

- Dec 4**  
Saturday  
**Conesus Lake Area**  
We'll be looking for Tundra Swans, Canvasback, Redhead and other waterfowl. This trip is a combination of driving, stopping at overlooks and short walks on trails. It is not handicap/wheelchair accessible. Low difficulty. Length about 1.5 mile walking. Restrooms are available at Vitale Park only. Meet at **8:00 a.m.** at Vitale Park on Route 20A in Lakeville. The park entrance is by the Lakeville post office on the south (lake) side of 20A and across the street from Smith's Hardware. **Spotting scopes would be very useful.**  
**Leader:** Jim Kimball 585-519-9211 and co-leaders Christina Hoh 973-224-7009 and Nick Kachala 585-750-5536
- Dec 5**  
Sunday  
**BEGINNER BIRDER TRIP—Nations Road**  
Sharpen your skills on wintering hawks and Short-eared Owls. Other wintering birds such as Horned Larks, Snow Buntings, and Lapland Longspurs are often present. This trip is a combination of driving and viewing at stops along roads. Accessible if getting in and out of car is not a problem. Low difficulty. Length about .5 mile walking. Restroom facilities are not available except at Tops. Bring binoculars. Meet at **2:00 p.m.** at the Tops Plaza in Avon on Routes 5 and 20, 2 miles west of I-390. If COVID guidelines allow, carpooling strongly advised. **Dress warmly. Spotting scopes and FRS radios would be very useful.**  
**Leader:** John Boettcher 585-671-9639 and co-leader Judy Gurley 585-582-2349
- Dec 9**  
**December RBA Meeting via Zoom—Owl: A Year in the Lives of North American Owls** presented by Paul Bannick
- Dec 19**  
**Rochester Christmas Bird Count**—see page 4 for more details
- Dec 26**  
**Little Lakes Christmas Bird Count**—see page 5 for more details
- Jan 1**  
Saturday  
**Irondequoit Bay Outlet and Durand-Eastman Park – Year List Jump-Start**  
Get started on your annual list! We'll look for winter waterfowl on the Bay, then move to Durand-Eastman Park where we will stroll Log Cabin Road and Zoo Road looking for finches, waxwings, and resident birds. This trip is mostly on paved roads. No restrooms available. Meet at **8:00 a.m.** in the parking lot on the west side of the Irondequoit Bay outlet. **Dress warmly! Spotting scopes would be very useful.**  
**Leaders:** Norma Platt and John Boettcher 585-671-9639

- Jan 8**  
Saturday  
**Webster Park – Campground Area**  
In mature forest and scrubby areas we'll look for overwintering resident birds, lingering migrants such as Hermit Thrush and special winter visitors such as Evening and Pine Grosbeaks, White-winged and Red Crossbills and Bohemian Waxwings. This is a mostly level walk, partly on dirt road, partly on wooded dirt trail that can be uneven in places. Wear boots with good traction and dress warmly as we may be outside for 2-3 hours, although you are free to leave at any time; trip length will depend upon trail and weather conditions. No rest rooms available. Meet at **8:00 a.m.** in the parking lot on the south side of Lake Road across from Kanatota Lodge.  
**Leaders:** *Pat Martin 585-301-5485 and Sheryl Gracewski and Tom Nash 585-261-6975*
- Jan 15**  
Saturday  
***Beginner Birder Trip* – Mendon Ponds Park Songbird Trail**  
This trip will be a leisurely winter walk along rolling trails (approx. 1-1/2 miles) featuring some very close looks at our winter passerines! Bring your binoculars, some sunflower seeds, and your camera! This is a family-friendly field trip. Meet at **9:30 a.m.** at the visitor center on Pond Road near Clover Street. Restroom available at the visitor center.  
**Leader:** *John Boettcher 585-671-9639 and co-leader Cathy Ballard 585-322-2621*
- Jan 15**  
**Annual Dinner and Elections**—In person and via Zoom. More details to follow.  
**January 15–23 (with January 16, 2022 as the target date)** is the time for the **New York State Waterfowl Count** organized by the New York State Ornithological Association, Inc. *Bob Spahn* (585-671-5690) coordinates several local teams and would be pleased if other birders would join up. Go to <https://nybirds.org/ProjWaterfowl.htm> for more information.
- Jan 22**  
Saturday  
**Avon and Lima Rural Tour**  
We'll search the Nations Road area, looking for Northern Shrikes, hawks, Snow Buntings, and other birds of the fields and farmland in winter. We'll be mostly driving, with frequent stops along the road. If COVID-19 guidelines allow, please carpool! Meet at **2:00 p.m.** at Tops Plaza (restroom) in Avon on Routes 5 and 20, two miles west of I-390. **Spotting scopes would be very useful.**  
**Leaders:** *Jim Kimball 585-519-9211 and Rick Stevens 585-425-7849*
- Jan 30**  
Sunday  
**Lakeshore Plains West**  
A driving tour of the farm fields and open lands to the west of Rochester, this trip will search for Horned Larks, Snow Buntings, Lapland Longspurs, Northern Shrikes, falcons (possible Merlin or Peregrine) and hawks (hoping for Rough Legged and Northern Harriers) in western Monroe and possibly into Orleans County. **Dress warmly** in layers; bring snacks (lunch if you wish to continue on into the early afternoon with us) and a thermos filled with a warm beverage. We will drive along backcountry roads for a few hours, stopping where we see bird activity. No restrooms available until we reach Hamlin Beach SP. Meet at **9:00 a.m.** at the Brad-dock Bay Park main parking lot. Use the East Manitou Road exit from the Ontario State Parkway. Plan on coordinating carpooling, if possible, as this is a driving tour. Fewer cars are better as we pull over on roads potentially with snowbanks. **Bring your own FRS radios and spotting scopes, if you have them.**  
**Leader:** *Lynn Bergmeyer 585-576-0422 and co-leader Robert Buckert 585-269-4206*



## Welcome to the Flock!

Join us in welcoming these 9 new members who joined in the last month:

Henry Cretella &  
Kathleen Fitzpatrick  
Irving Feldman  
Robin Long  
Betsy & Chris Marshall  
Elizabeth, Richard &  
Lilah Sperandio

Current RBA Membership as of September 14 is 465:

448 Household memberships  
2 Young Birders  
1 Corporate (The Bird House)  
1 Little Gull membership  
13 Complimentary

Jo Taylor

Membership Data

Adrianna Anderson

Membership Outreach



*President's  
Column  
Liz Magnanti*

It's renewal time! Now is that time of the year when we start looking forward to the year ahead. 2022 will be another action-packed year of field trips, interesting speakers and, hopefully, in-person events! It is your membership that makes all of this possible. Renewing your membership is simple! Just go to [www.rochesterbirding.org](http://www.rochesterbirding.org) and click "renew" at the top of the page. Renewing online instead of through the mail saves the organization both time and money.

2021 has been another year full of online presentations via Zoom. The benefit to Zoom is turnout for speakers has been higher than it normally is. The drawback is we don't get the same time to talk and interact before and after our speak-

ers. We are hoping to resume in-person meetings in 2022. When they do resume, please note there will be a change in the venue. The new meeting space is the Asbury First Methodist Church on East Ave. This is the same location where we intend to have our Annual Dinner on January 15th. More details to follow!

Behind the scenes RBA committees have been hard at work! The field trip committee has a full schedule of trips planned for next year, conservation has been busy with wind farm concerns and gardening initiatives, and the 30 Days Gallery continues to highlight the birds that can be seen now in the area. If you are interested in learning more about these committees and others, please check the correct box when renewing your membership for next year. Thank you for your support and I'll see you at the December meeting!

## Save The Date!

Annual Dinner and Elections—in person! (and simultaneously via Zoom!)

Saturday, January 15,  
2022, 6:00 pm to 9:30 pm.

Asbury First Methodist  
Church Fellowship Hall

1050 East Avenue

Rochester, NY 14607

Details will come via email.



Dunlin - Braddock Bay East Spit - © Alan Bloom - Nov 01, 2021

## Rochester Christmas Bird Count

### Sunday, December 19, 2021

On Sunday Dec. 19, 2021 we will conduct the Rochester Christmas Bird Count. This traditional activity demonstrates our commitment to science and birding. This will be the 118th count in the Rochester area. Below find the sector leaders for the RCBC, who have agreed to coordinate the field work for the count of our winter birds. **To participate in the count**, contact sector leaders or Norma Platt.

Be sure to ask your leader for details.

Sector Leader	Area
Bob and Susan Spahn 671-5690	Braddock Bay to Long Pond Road
Greg Lawrence <a href="mailto:glawrence21@yahoo.com">glawrence21@yahoo.com</a>	Long Pond Road to Dewey Avenue
Jay Greenberg <a href="mailto:conservationist@earthlink.net">conservationist@earthlink.net</a>	Dewey Avenue to Charlotte Harbor
Dominic Sherony 223-7353	Summerville to Culver Road
Sheryl Gracewski and Tom Nash <a href="mailto:sheryl.gracewski@rochester.edu">sheryl.gracewski@rochester.edu</a> <a href="mailto:tnashny@earthlink.net">tnashny@earthlink.net</a>	Culver Road to Baker Road (Webster)
Shirley Shaw 385-3907 <a href="mailto:shirley@jashaw.com">shirley@jashaw.com</a>	Parks and neighborhoods (Highland, Genesee Valley Park, Mt. Hope Cemetery), crow roost
Andrea Patterson <a href="mailto:ajpforbusiness@gmail.com">ajpforbusiness@gmail.com</a>	Seneca Park
Rosemary Reilly <a href="mailto:reilly.rosemary@gmail.com">reilly.rosemary@gmail.com</a>	Maplewood & Turning Point Parks, Holy Sepulcher and Riverside cemeteries
Brian Morse 269-9576 <a href="mailto:brianmorse2000@gmail.com">brianmorse2000@gmail.com</a>	West of airport/south of the canal/north of the river

Norma Platt, Compiler 585-260-5221  
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### Nominations for the 2022 RBA Board

The Nominating Committee is pleased to announce the slate of officers who are nominated and have agreed to serve on the RBA Board for 2022:

President	Randi Minetor
Vice President	Jules Wagner
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Director	Kevin Farrell
Director	Wanda Thistle
Director	Rosemary Reilly

The election will take place at the January 15, 2022 Annual Dinner (In person and Zoom). A quorum consisting of at least 10% of current members eligible to vote is required.

The Committee unanimously recommends the election of the entire slate of nominees.

Dominic Sherony (chair), Tom Verhulst, and Robert Buckert

Nominating Committee



## Little Lakes Christmas Bird Count

### Saturday, December 26, 2021

This year marks the 122<sup>nd</sup> count nationwide and the 70<sup>th</sup> count for the area. The count date is Saturday, December 26, 2021. Birds seen during the count week of December 23 to December 29 may be called in to the leaders for inclusion in the tally. The center of the 15 mile diameter circle is the outlet of Hemlock Lake, at the north end of the lake. The circle includes all of Conesus, Hemlock, Canadice and Honeoye Lakes and a large area to the north. The dividing line between the lakes is the height of land between the lakes. It is important for the coverage in each of the 5 areas to be as consistent as possible, year to year, for meaningful evaluation of the count area. Your participation in this worthy endeavor would be greatly appreciated. New birders can be paired up with experienced birders. If you are interested, contact one of the leaders.

Sadly, due to Coronavirus concerns, there will be no compiling meeting this year.

Pat Martin, Compiler

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Canadice Lake	Phil Opdycke	385-6189	popdycke@rochester.rr.com
Honeoye Lake	Bob Spahn	671-5690	rspahn@prodigy.net
Northern Area	Robert Buckert	269-4206	avbrro@hotmail.com



Golden-crowned Kinglet - Irondequoit Bay Outlet -

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## RBA in the Field

Durand Eastman Park - Zoo Road

October 30 2021

On a drizzly mid 40's day RBA field trip leaders: Amy Kahn, Sheryl Gracewski and Tom Nash were joined by 7 (of the 14 registered) intrepid participants. We were rewarded with some great birds. While we waited in the parking lot we had great tree top views of a bald eagle and 6 American Black Ducks on Durand Lake. Of the 26 species for the day we also had great looks at both Ruby crowned and Golden crowned Kinglets, Brown Creepers, late season Hermit Thrushes and Red winged Blackbirds, and a large flock of Dark eyed Junco.

*Amy Kahn, Sheryl Gracewski, Tom Nash*

## December Meeting

### Owl: A Year in the Lives of North American Owls presented by Paul Bannick

Join Paul Bannick for a program featuring video, sound, stories from the field and several dozen new images from his award-winning and best-selling bird book: *Owl: A Year in the Lives of North American Owls*. Paul uses intimate yet dramatic images to follow owls through the course of one year and in their distinct habitats. Audiences will witness the four seasons on territory, as each stage in an owl's life is chronicled through rare images: courtship, mating, and nesting in spring; fledging and feeding of young in summer; dispersal and gaining independence in fall; and, finally, winter's migrations and competitions for food. His program shows how owls use their unique resources available to them in each habitat to face those challenges. All 19 species found in Canada and the United States are featured in photos, video and narrative throughout the talk, which a special focus on the Northern Pygmy-owl, Great Gray Owl, Burrowing Owl, and Snowy Owl. Owl is a stunning follow-up to Bannick's bestselling title, *The Owl and the Woodpecker*, giving bird lovers yet another gorgeous photographic tribute, engaging natural history, and a compelling call to preserve the habitats that sustain these most iconic of birds. Nearly ten years of working in some of the most remote parts of the continent, at the darkest hours of the day, tracking owls as they move through their lives has rewarded Paul with striking images that he uses in his book and presentations.

#### About the Speaker

Paul Bannick is an award-winning author and wildlife photographer specializing in the natural history of North America with a focus on birds and habitat. Coupling his love of the outdoors with his skill as a photographer, he creates images that foster the intimacy between viewer and subject, inspiring education and conservation.

Paul is both the author and photographer of two best-selling bird books, his most recent book, *Owl: A Year in the Lives of North American Owls* garnered a gold medal in the 2017 independent publisher book awards. His first book, *The Owl and The Woodpecker, Encounters with North America's Most Iconic Birds* (Mountaineers 2008) resulted in Washington's State Museum, The Burke, creating two traveling exhibits.

Paul's photography has won awards from several prestigious photography contests, including those hosted by *Audubon Magazine* and the International Conservation Photography Awards and appears in numerous field guides and publications among them Audubon, and the Handbook of the Birds of the World, The New York Times, Birds and Blooms and Sunset. He has appeared on NBC Nightly News and on dozens of NPR stations and programs, including Travels with Rick Steves and [BirdNote](#).

After graduating from the University of Washington, Paul worked successfully for 15 years in the computer software industry beginning as one of the original 75 employees of the Aldus Corporation. He later served as a Director for Adobe Systems, and also worked as a senior manager at Microsoft. Wishing to combine his passion for wilderness conservation with his career, Paul turned his attention to non-profit work and currently serves as the Director of Major Gifts for Conservation Northwest, an organization dedicated to protecting and connecting wild areas and recovering native species from the Pacific Coast to the Canadian Rockies.



Long-eared Owl. Adult owls often make loud, plaintive noises and wave their wings to get the attention of potential predators and lead them away from the nest or young. Copyright Paul Bannick

## Renew Online and Help the RBA

Thank you to all who have already renewed their membership. Renewing by mid-December saves RBA the printing and mailing costs needed for sending out the membership renewal letters. To renew online, just go to the RBA website at [rochesterbirding.org](http://rochesterbirding.org), and click on the "Renew" button at the top of the home page. This will take you directly to the membership renewal form. Renewing NOW will save volunteer hours by reducing paperwork and trips to the post office.

If you prefer not to renew online, please contact Jo at [jhtaylor@frontiernet.net](mailto:jhtaylor@frontiernet.net), and she will email you the renewal form that you can print out and mail in with your check, or, if necessary, mail you a paper renewal form. We don't want to lose you as a member! We'll do our best to accommodate your needs.

### 2022 Dues

Household membership	\$25
Junior membership (9-18)	\$15
(both above with Little Gull via e-mail)	
Little Gull by USPS mail - add to membership dues	\$15

Your renewal will be good until January 1, 2023 and bring you and the RBA community another great year of birds. New members joining after September 1 of this year are paid up through all of 2022.

Thank you, Adrianna Anderson  
Membership Outreach

Jo Taylor  
Membership Data

## Records Report

### Notes:

1. Another schizoid month; first half very warm and summery, at 64.4°F, the 2<sup>nd</sup> warmest first half of October on record, and second half more a taste of autumn, ending with temperatures averaging 57.6°, 5.4° above normal, overall the 6<sup>th</sup> warmest October on record. A strong high over the northern part of the continent drove the first half. A result was no days below freezing and peak foliage color weeks delayed. Precipitation totaled 7.46", 4.24" above normal, with four major rain events: 1.22" on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, record for the date; 1.50" over the 15<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>; 2.12" on the 25<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>, with 1.81" of that on the 26<sup>th</sup> record for that date; and 2.02" over the 29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>. There was some flooding after the rains on the 26<sup>th</sup> and later. As one might guess, these heavy rains did have some impact on banding on some dates. However, there were only 13 rainy days for the month, only one day above average, so birding generally was good.

2. The species total for the month was again well above the 10-year average for October. Again, all regularly expected species were reported, with only some almost regulars and hoped-for species missed,

the closest to expected White-rumped Sandpiper and Red-necked Phalarope. There was only one record late departure and three more passerines at dates beyond the old Monroe County Checklist distributions but with later records in the intervening years. The eBird records downloaded this month for the region totaled 32,509, down about 11% from last year. Certainly the heavy weather on several days may be a part of this. At the BBBO banding station, the number of new bands was down 32% from last year, but most of that was due to this being a down fall for Black-capped Chickadee. Net hours were up very slightly, and number of days with 100+ individuals banded down just one. As always, interesting things to ponder.

3. All of the expected waterfowl were reported, though the refrain of generally low counts repeats. Exceptions were: some good Brant numbers on the 18<sup>th</sup>, a few Canada Goose counts in the low thousands, and high Northern Pintail counts. Diving ducks were noted mostly in relatively low peak counts. Ross's Goose, Greater White-fronted Goose, Cackling Goose, Eurasian Wigeon, King Eider, and Harlequin Duck were relatively rarer species.

4. From pheasants through Sandhill Crane all of the expected species were reported, with most numbers typical to a bit low other than a good peak of 102 Sandhill Cranes. Peak numbers for our three regular grebe species were low, but an Eared Grebe was found off Hamlin Beach during the late month lake watching. No large Chimney Swift gatherings were noted into this month. Rails were scarce and gallinule and coot numbers were again low in the NMWMA area due to reduced habitat with easy access.

5. A decent 18 shorebird species were reported, with White-rumped Sandpiper and Red-necked Phalarope the two most expected but missed this month. Water level issues with all the rain limited habitat at our usual sites. Peak counts for all species were low. The highlight was record late Wilson's Phalaropes on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> at two sites.

6. The jaegers continued, with about 21 individuals reported, 15 identified as Parasitic scattered through the month, a Pomarine at Sodus Point at month's end, and five not identified to species. A Nor'easter off the coast near month's end pumped winds our direction bringing a number of seabirds, with an incursion of Razorbills on the 30<sup>th</sup> and following and several reports of 5+ Black-legged Kittiwakes in single observation sessions from the 27<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>. The Note-worthy table tries to capture these events, but more study of timing of the reports in eBird might reach more accurate counts. Bonaparte's Gull numbers remained low in historical context, and a lone adult Little Gull was spotted passing well offshore from Greece. Good numbers of Lesser Black-backed Gull were reported, but there were no early white-winged gulls. Terns were present in small numbers to expected departure dates.

7. Peak loon numbers were again relatively low, but a nice surprise was a well seen Pacific Loon off Hamlin Beach on the 30<sup>th</sup>. Adding to the surprises, a Wood Stork was seen on the 8<sup>th</sup> in Hafner Park in Clarkson and likely the same individual on the 11<sup>th</sup> at Bald Eagle Creek Harbor in Kendall, with photos to document both cases. Lots of Double-crested Cormorants at Sodus Point, a good, late Great Egret count, and reports of one and two Cattle Egrets in Wayne and Livingston Counties top off this grouping through Turkey Vulture.

8. Even the fall raptor picture was interesting, with

Osprey to late in the month, the arrival of Rough-legged Hawk, and a surprise find of an immature Swainson's Hawk in the town of Sweden, this record dimmed a bit by ending with the death of the bird. There were no reports for Black Vulture or Northern Goshawk, but a Broad-winged Hawk and four Red-shouldered Hawks were reported. Again skipping forward, all three regular falcons were again well reported this fall.

9. Among the owls, Short-eared Owl appeared at an expected date. Next, N. Saw-whet Owl banding continued from last month near BBBO, with a total of 21 banded between the 5<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> and one foreign recapture made on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Additional N. Saw-whet Owls were also reported from the usual Owl Woods location and one from the Lakeshore Marshes WMA in Wayne County. Red-headed Woodpecker reports were few, with the last on the 11<sup>th</sup>.

10. Again, all the really expected passerine species were reported; many of the migrants and breeders have the latter parts of their departure date distributions (25% or so of their historical departure dates) extending into or even through October, so it can vary year to year which and how many are found in this month. In looking at the banding data, quite a few species seemed to have the range of dates banded shifted a bit earlier this year. Only three species, Warbling Vireo, Black poll Warbler, and Indigo Bunting were reported at dates beyond those in our historical distributions, but in each case there have been later reports in years since the last update. Generally, peak numbers reported and totals banded were down a bit. There were only 18 species of warblers reported, a bit lower than usual. Of particular note among the numbers are: Black-capped Chickadee in a down year, both kinglets banded and reported in good numbers, Gray-cheeked Thrush low, Swainson's Thrush good, Hermit Thrush low, White-throated Sparrow high but as expected, some good blackbird counts, and good numbers of Blackpoll Warbler banded. Among the banding data, it is worth noting that this year none of the species were at numbers outside two standard deviations from their prior 10-year averages and most were within one standard deviation. A major part of this is that for most species, year-to-year variance is high due to a number of causes, so one standard deviation is large



and it takes big differences to appear truly unusual. Back to some more general passerine comments, first, only 18 warbler species were reported, a bit low, with 11 Orange-crowned (1 banded) a highlight. Among our winter finches, only Common Redpoll, White-winged Crossbill, and Pine Siskin were reported. Nelson's Sparrows were the only scarcer species reported.

	2021	2020	10-year Average
Species for Nov.	213	219	204.7
New for the year	6	6	4.6
Total for the year to date	295	288	286.7

11. Please submit reports to eBird, post them on geneseebirds, and/or send them by the 5th of the month to Andrea Patterson, 144 Greystone Lane, #24, Rochester, NY 14618.

### Observers:

Jack Adams, Janet Akin, Dennis Anderson, Osvaldo Araya, BBBO (Andrea Patterson), Jessie Barry, Jim Barry, Katelyn Barry, Mitchell Barry, Doug Beattie, Reinhard Beatty, Andrew Bechdel, Don Bemont, Linda Clark Benedict, Steve Benedict, Jacob Bensley, Mike Bergin, Lynn Bergmeyer, Barry Bermudez, Jay Bigenwald, Shawn Billerman, Alan Bloom, John Boettcher, Terry Bohling, Lynn Braband, Joe Brin, Janet Brooks, Tayler Brooks, Mark Brown, Robert Buckert, Sara Burch, Bruce Cady, Brad Carlson, Denis & Judy Caysinger, Robert Cicotta, Kelly Close, Jeremy Collison, Doug Daniels, Gregg Dashnau, Steve Davis, Mark Deutschlander, Deborah Dohne, Gordon Dutter, Diane Egan, Christa Filipowicz, Mark Fitzsimmons, George Ford, Jim Fry, Kyle Gage, Andy Garland, John Garrett, Janis George, Candy Giles, James Goetz, John Gordinier, Sheryl Gracewski, Kevin Griffith, Mara Grossman, Ralph & Georgia Guenther, Michael Gullo, Andrew Guthrie, Chris Guthrie, Danny Guthrie, Bill Haake, Benjamin Hack, Helen & Chris Haller, Ginny Halterman, Kim Hartquist, Christina Hoh, Dick Horsey, Bill Howe, Lynn Howes, Jack Hutchison, Pam Inzinna, Archie J., Alyssa Johnson, Jill Johnson, Nicholas Kachala, Amy Kahn, Laura & Paul Kammermeier, David Kennedy, Mike Kidulich, Jim Kimball, Cincy Kindle, Kathy Kirsch, Renee Kittleman, Gary Klue, J. Gary Kohlenberg, Karl Kunze, Michael Laird, Chris Lajewski, Greg Lawrence, Gayle Lazoration, Tim Lenz, Joan & Vern Lindberg, Robin M., Peggy Mabb, Peggy Macres, Melissa Mance-Coniglio, Pat Martin, Donna Mason-Spier, Judy Massare, Lauri Mattle, Kenneth McCarthy, Jacob McCartney, Daniel McDermott, Kevin McGann, Jay McGowan, G. McGrain, Bob McGuire, Ann McMican, Scott Meagher, Jim Miles, Mark Miller, Kent Millham, Ann Mitchell, Celeste Morien, Brian & Brooke Morse, Jim & Linda Mott, Leah Mould, Kevin & Mary Nell Murphy, Allen Nash, Ann Nash, Tom Nash, David Nicosia, Hollis Noble, Dave Odell, Andrea Patterson, Doug Perryman, Norma Platt, Jo Popma, Jay Powell, Les Preston, Derek Pulhamus, Doug & Elizabeth Rabjohns, RBA Field Trips, Carolyn Ragan, Neal Reilly, Rosemary Reilly, Michael Rizzo, Ronda Roaring, Susan Roberts, Bryce Robinson, Brian Rohrs, Ken Rosenberg, Victoria Rothman, Wade & Melissa Rowley, Carole & Jim Rudman, Robert Ryan, Jennifer Rycenga, Jackie Salisbury, Livia Santana, Michael Scheibel, Karl Schmidt, Shirley Shaw, Dominic Sherony, Judy Slein, Roger Smith, Robert & Susan



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Sandhill Crane - Montezuma NWR -

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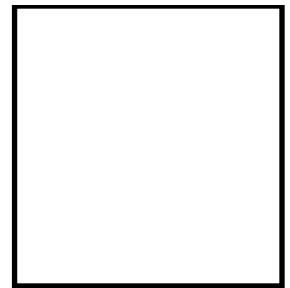


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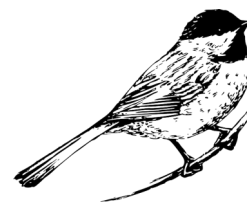
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Did you know?



Birds keep an internal body temperature of 102-109 °F! In order to keep warm during the winter, birds have evolved many behaviors such as fluffing up their feathers, keeping their feet at a cooler temperature than their bodies and finding food together in small flocks.

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