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WARIOTO AT A GLANCE

NO MEETING OR FIELD TRIP IS SCHEDULED FOR JULY OR AUGUST. Our first meeting of the 2007-08 year will be held on September 6. Watch for meeting and program information in the September newsletter.

Visit our webpage at http://www.apsu.edu/schillers/Audubon/Warioto_Chapter.htm

JULY POTLUCK PICNIC

The "July" Potluck Picnic will take place on **Saturday, AUGUST 11**. We will experience a new venue this year when we meet at Rotary Park. The following description and directions to the park is found on the Montgomery County webpage.

Rotary Park, called "the best kept secret in Clarksville" in a recent book on biking trails, is a 100-acre nature park located on Rotary Drive, near the Sango area of Montgomery County. **It is easily accessible one block southeast of the Highway 76/Highway 41 intersection.** Boasting over five miles of hiking/biking trails, one large pavilion, two small pavilions, a large ADA-accessible playground (new for 2000), bathroom facilities and a public amphitheatre, this premiere recreational facility is the jewel of the Montgomery County Parks and Recreation system.

http://www.montgomerycountyttn.org/county/parks/mcpr_web_page_2000.htm

Joe Schiller has reserved the first picnic pavilion on the right at the bottom of the hill. We will meet there as we have in the past at Dunbar Cave. Gather at 6:00 p.m. and eat at 6:30 p.m. This is a potluck picnic, so you are asked to bring food (main course, salad, dessert) to share with others. Please bring serving utensils for the dishes you bring. Drinks, plates, eating utensils, and napkins will be provided. **Hope to see YOU there!!**

SPRING BIRD COUNT

The 2007 spring bird count was held on Saturday, May 12. Gloria Milliken compiled data from the count. There were 15 field observers in 7 parties. Field observers were Alan Bottomlee, Roger and Tim Diehl, Kevin Fitch, Elaine Foust, Joe Hall, Nita Heilman, Susan Lanier Bill and Gloria Milliken, Daniel Moss, Polly Rooker, Joe Schiller, Amy Wallace, and Bill Wolf.

It was a beautiful day with the temperatures range from a low of 64 to a high of 84 F. With winds from the north at 5-10 mph. It was partly cloudy in the early morning, but became clear and sunny for the rest of the day. Gloria has provided the following record of effort: Party hrs. by boat – 5.6, party hrs. by car – 17.75, party hrs. by foot – 19.75, party mi. by boat – 12.0, party mi. by car – 209.4, party mi. on foot – 14.0, hrs. owling – 5.6, mi. owling – 92.0. The count recorded 5252 birds in 127 species. There were five additional county week (CW) records.

So that you can compare this count to the 2006 count, I have **bolded** the species found this year, but not last year and ~~struck through~~ those found in 2006, but not seen in this year's count.

Canada Goose	102	Cattle Egret	2 CW	Semipalmated Plover	1
Wood Duck	132	Green Heron	6	Killdeer	63
Mallard	16	Black-crowned Night Heron	2	Greater Yellowlegs	1
Green-winged Teal	4	Black Vulture	35	Lesser Yellowlegs	4
Wild Turkey	12	Turkey Vulture	75	Solitary Sandpiper	2
Northern Bobwhite	13	Bald Eagle	2	Spotted Sandpiper	4
Pied-billed Grebe	1	Cooper's Hawk	1 CW	Least Sandpiper	5 CW
American Bittern	2	Red-shouldered Hawk	6	Wilson's Snipe	4
Great Blue Heron	39	Broad-winged Hawk	1	American Woodcock	1
Great Egret	1	Red-tailed Hawk	39	Ring-billed Gull	1
Snowy Egret	2	American Kestrel	3	Rock Pigeon	45

Mourning Dove	185	Barn Swallow	111	Ovenbird	1
Black-billed Cuckoo	2	Carolina Chickadee	73	Northern Waterthrush	1
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	20	Tufted Titmouse	63	Louisiana Waterthrush	13
Eastern Screech Owl	2	White-breasted Nuthatch	14	Kentucky Warbler	24
Great-horned Owl	2	Carolina Wren	98	Common Yellowthroat	55
Barred Owl	5	House Wren	4	Hooded Warbler	1
Common Nighthawk	9	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	69	Wilson's Warbler	1
Chuck-will's-widow	3	Eastern Bluebird	195	Yellow-breasted Chat	82
Whip-poor-will	27	Gray-cheeked Thrush	1	Summer Tanager	47
Chimney Swift	33	Swainson's Thrush	5	Scarlet Tanager	7
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	13	Wood Thrush	26	Eastern Towhee	83
Belted Kingfisher	8	American Robin	150	Chipping Sparrow	53
Red-headed Woodpecker	4	Gray Catbird	6	Field Sparrow	103
Red-bellied Woodpecker	70	Northern Mockingbird	78	Vesper Sparrow	2
Downy Woodpecker	29	Brown Thrasher	21	Savannah Sparrow	2
Hairy Woodpecker	6	European Starling	212	Grasshopper Sparrow	18
Northern Flicker	3	Cedar Waxwing	173	Henslow's Sparrow	6
Pileated Woodpecker	15	Blue-winged Warbler	1 CW	Song Sparrow	6
Eastern Wood-Pee-wee	75	Tennessee Warbler	14	Swamp Sparrow	1
Acadian Flycatcher	50	Nashville Warbler	5	White-throated Sparrow	1 CW
Willow Flycatcher	1	Northern Parula	35	White-crowned Sparrow	2
Least Flycatcher	1 CW	Yellow Warbler	8	Northern Cardinal	213
Eastern Phoebe	35	Chestnut-sided Warbler	6	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	15
Great Crested Flycatcher	50	Magnolia Warbler	5	Blue Grosbeak	4
Eastern Kingbird	50	Cape May Warbler	2	Indigo Bunting	214
Loggerhead Shrike	2	Yellow-rumped Warbler	2	Dickcissel	160
White-eyed Vireo	40	Black-throated Green Warbler	9	Bobolink	8
Yellow-throated Vireo	12	Blackburnian Warbler	1	Red-winged Blackbird	203
Blue-headed Vireo	2	Yellow-throated Warbler	11	Eastern Meadowlark	99
Warbling Vireo	12	Pine Warbler	12	Common Grackle	230
Philadelphia Vireo	1	Prairie Warbler	19	Brown-headed Cowbird	58
Red-eyed Vireo	35	Palm Warbler	3	Orchard Oriole	25
Blue Jay	113	Bay-breasted Warbler	3	Baltimore Oriole	2
American Crow	162	Blackpoll Warbler	1 CW	House Finch	23
Horned Lark	3	Cerulean Warbler	5	American Goldfinch	81
Purple Martin	72	Black-and-white Warbler	2	House Sparrow	47
Bank Swallow	13	American Redstart	2	-----	
Cliff Swallow	163	Prothonotary Warbler	9	TOTAL INDIVIDUALS	5252
Tree Swallow	10	Worm-eating Warbler	1	TOTAL SPECIES	127
Northern Rough-winged Swallow	5	Swainson's Warbler	1	COUNT WEEK SPECIES	5

NEWS ON EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH A LOCAL SIERRA CLUB CHAPTER

What is Sierra Club?!

- Founded in 1892, Sierra Club is an international non-profit with its U.S. headquarters in San Francisco, CA.
- Sierra Club gives citizens a voice against environmental injustice.
- Among its meaningful actions, the Middle Tennessee Sierra Club attends city and governmental meetings to acquire facts and statistics for future well-informed oppositions.

Current local actions for Mid-Ten Sierra Club include:

- New Johnsonville vs. DuPont- This Corporation is seeking renewal of its permit to continue putting the chemical Dioxin in the New Johnsonville landfill. Citizens strongly oppose all future use of Dioxin, or any similar chemical in its landfill.
- Bottle bill. Legislation presented in support of bottle bill as a first step to a stronger recycle program. The bill has been in process for several years. It needs a clear vote to get it in place.

Clarksville's Sierra Club goal is to bring about committed environmental awareness and on-going public education. We have the interest and intention to protect our environment. We need a voice. To create this voice we need participation. Forming our greater Clarksville group will provide opportunities for community input.

What you can do:

First – Look for our Sierra Club table at the Clarksville Riverfest, September 8th.

Next – Join us at the Montgomery County Clarksville Public Library large meeting room, the last Wednesday of each month. ***Wednesday, September 26, 7-8 p.m. is our next meeting date.***

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NEW MEMBER FORM

Yes, I would like to become a member of the National Audubon Society and the local chapter: Clarksville Warioto Audubon Society for the introductory rate of \$20.00.

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