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Spring Newsletter

April · May · June 2019

Common Yellowthroat by Brendan Lanpher

Calendar of events:

Monthly Bird Walks at Quarry Hill

April 6, May 4, & June 1. Meet at 9 am at the Quarry Hill Nature Center and join us on a casual walk thru the park. Walks usually last about one hour. Free and open to the public - no registration required. Leaders: Terry & Joyce Grier

April 11 - Woodcock Walk

7:45 - 9 pm at Chester Woods Park / Leader: Jim Peterson / Meet in the horse corral parking lot at Chester Woods County Park (southeast of Rochester, MN) at 7:45 PM (Park sticker required to enter Chester Woods)

April 23 - Program: MN Breeding Bird Atlas

7 - 8 pm at Quarry Hill Nature Center / Presented by Gerald J. Niemi, Ph.D / The creation of the Minnesota Breeding Bird Atlas was a historic achievement and a model for how citizen science can contribute.

Dr. Niemi will review the atlas results and explain how it links the past, present, and future of Minnesota ornithology.

April 27 - Reservoir Field Trip

8:00 am - Noon/ Leader: Lance Vrieze / Meet in the east parking lot at the Heintz Center (1936 Collegeview Rd East, Rochester, MN) to car pool to several area reservoirs looking for waterfowl.

Meadowlark by Dave Gross

April 28 - Root River County Park Field Trip

8:30 am - Noon/ Leader: Sandy Hokanson / We'll visit Root River County Park just south of Rochester near Simpson to look for returning migrants and late spring wildflowers. Meet at the Heintz Center (1926 College View Rd East) to car pool.

May 4 - ZVAS BIG Birding Day

6:30 am - 5pm / It's a Global Big Day when folks around the world count birds. Join us as we spend the day birding at numerous locations throughout the Rochester area. Details are listed on our web site.

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May 11 - Hok-Si-La Field Trip

8 am - mid afternoon / Leaders: Terry & Joyce Grier / Meet in the east parking lot at the Heintz Center (1936 Collegeview Road East, Rochester, MN) to car pool to the park near Lake City. Bring a snack or a bag lunch. We will return mid-afternoon.

May 18 - Bird Walk & Potluck

2 - 6 pm at Chester Woods / We'll take a 2 - 3 hour walk around the park looking for late migrants ... then share a meal and socialize in one of the shelters. Please bring a dish to share. Visit ZumbroValleyAudubon.org for detail. This event is not for young children.

May 28 - Monthly Program to be announced Tuesday, May 28, 2019 / 7 - 8 pm at Quarry Hill Nature Center

June 23 - Damsels & Dragons

3 - 4pm at Chester Woods / Leader: Joel Dunnette / This hands on program celebrates dragonflies and damselflies. Meet by the kiosk near the boat landing. We'll search for and catch specimens to examine and learn more about. Kids must be with an adult.

Yellow-rumped Warbler by Sandy Hokanson

