

September/October/November 2025

Meetings

Monthly meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month at The Nature Place, 789 Myrick Park Drive in LaCrosse starting at 7PM. They are free and open to the public.

September 17

Jayne Strange, Northern Forest Conservation Delivery Network Coordinator, will present a program titled "Forestry for Birds."

October 15

Dr. Stephen Gleissberg, Adjunct Professor Viterbo University, will present a program titled "La Crosse Chimney Swift 2025 Roost Summary and Range Wide Swift Efforts."

November 19

Dan Jackson, longtime Coulee Audubon member, will take us into another winged realm, this one involving bumblebees and pollinators.

President's Message

By Mark Webster

Hello fellow Coulee Auduboners!

Yes, it's hard to believe that summer is over (meteorologically at least), and that Fall is here. The early Fall migration of some hawks has already begun and the days are of course getting shorter, and scattered frost has already occurred in some areas of Wisconsin. But it is a beautiful time of the year and a great time to get out and go hiking, exploring and of course, birding! But because it does get dark earlier, you may want to take advantage of some evening activities too, like attending our monthly meetings held the 3rd Wednesday of every month (except December, July and August) at 7pm at The Nature Place in Myrick Park, La Crosse.

We have some excellent speakers lined up for this Fall where you can learn about the importance of protecting boreal forest birds and their habitat, and the results of the La Crosse Chimney Swift Roost Count (conducted by several of our members), and about swift efforts range-wide. And you will also be treated to the incredible nature photography of one of our members who has captured the amazing images of other flying organisms - bumblebees and pollinators!

Happy Fall and Happy Birding everyone!
Mark Webster

Christmas Bird Count

Dan Jackson wants everyone to keep in mind that this year's Christmas Bird Count will be held December 20. New counters can be paired with a more experienced counter, and folks who want to contribute from home can submit feeder counts. All are welcome to participate in one of the oldest citizen science projects!

Pollinator Parade!

Steph Hanna of The Nature Place would like everyone to know about a wonderful new children's book, written by a local author. Proceeds from the book support The Nature Place and Operation Pollination and are only \$10. You can pick up a copy at The Nature Place or order online at: <https://wiscorps.wufoo.com/forms/mnu5blq01d0ik7/>



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