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October 2014 Bird Update and News

Tis the Season for... Watching Closely!

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There are 31 items to choose from on the RBAS Bird Seed Booking ...including the VERY BEST PRICE you'll find on Black Oil Sunflower Seed !

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is October 15th
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Fall Migration.

What a great time to watch birds! Not only does it provide a terrific opportunity to see some new species to our yards, but even many of our backyard "regulars" are looking a bit different these days. Even for those of us who have our feeding stations and water sources where we can view the birds up close, it pays to have the binoculars handy in order to really *observe* the feathered visitors to our yards right now. Certainly the Goldfinches are starting to put on some fall plumage , and as you watch the flocks of House Finches and Goldfinches at your feeders over the next several



October 5, 2014 A migrating female Summer Tanager visits our waterfall bird bath

weeks, keep an eye out for a Pine Siskin to join the crowd! Look closely at the Cedar Waxwings coming to water or berry trees — many of them will be in immature plumage and looking quite different than they



Heated Bird Baths have arrived! Don't miss out on some of the Season's BEST birding :

Install a "bubbler" in a heated bird bath!

did this past Spring. What you may assume at first glance to be a wren at a bird bath or a suet feeder, just might be a cute little Brown Creeper just arriving into the area! Grab your favorite field guides, binoculars, and a good friend (and maybe even a snack!) and take a close look at the birds!
Join us in the BIV Bird Garden for Bird Watching 10/11/14 (Pg2)

Upcoming Events at BIV!



Steve snapped this image of this Osprey at Eagle Bluffs Conservation Area last month. **Want to learn more about this wonderful place to see wildlife?** Come to the FREE program at the Runge Nature Center on 10/9/14 at 7 pm. Sponsored by River Bluffs Audubon. Call 573-526-5544 if you need more info. Hope to see you there!

Saturday, October 11th: The Big Sit Bird Count at Birds-I-View! FREE and open to everyone interested in Birds! Officially, the event is from 7 am—7 pm: but just drop by for as long or as little as you want! (See more details in Right Sidebar) PLUS...Check out our Photo Album titled “BIV Bird Garden” on our Facebook Page to check out some of the great birds we have seen in our bird garden over the past few years!

October 15th: Deadline to Book your Bird Seed, Suet, and Mealworms to benefit River Bluffs Audubon Society. SUPER prices and the sooner you turn in your order, the sooner you get your Special Coupon Book from BIV! **This is the BEST price we’ve seen on 40# Black Oil Sunflower Seed AND you’ll be receiving triple clean seed from the CURRENT year’s harvest! Order form at : www.birds-i-view.biz or at Birds-I-View.**

Saturday, October 25th : Come see us at the River City Fall Festival! We’ll have Birds-I-View *Exclusive* Products handcrafted by Steve Garr. Visit: www.visitjeffersoncity.com/display-events for info

Nov. 7th & 8th: Donation Days Sale at Birds-I-View! We’ll Donate a portion of ALL Sales these days to your local River Bluffs Audubon Society Chapter. These are also the “Pick Up Days” for Booked Bird Seed/product from the Audubon Booking Program.

Nov. 22nd– 24th: BIV Free Seminars! “Northern Cardinals” and “Fabulous Finches & Pretty Pine Siskins”! We ‘ll be celebrating those gorgeous Cardinals....PLUS : Is this going to be one of those winters we get to see LOTS of Pine Siskins?? What do you know about them? Learn more about these special winter-time visitors, as well as Purple Finches, Goldfinches, and more! As always: Lots of Free Refreshments, Educational Literature and Great Door Prizes. Please call or go to our website to register for these Free Seminars. **Special Free Gift for everyone registering in advance!**



Join the “Birds-I-View Birders” in the BIV Bird Garden Saturday, Oct. 11th (7 am—7 pm) as we officially participate in the 2014 International Big Sit Bird Count!

Drop by for just a little while OR spend the day– it’s up to you! *If you can bring a Lawn Chair for yourself we’d appreciate it!*

- WIN Bird Seed and Suet Cakes (play BIV Big Sit Bingo...you only compete with yourself!)
- Help us watch for special winter migrants!
- Share Great Snacks and Fun Birding with Friends! (Think “Tailgate Party for Birders!”)

For more details go to:

www.birds-i-view.biz

What have BIV friends seen lately?

Yes! We are still receiving **hummingbird reports** everyday (as of October 7th). Certainly there are fewer, and my they are chunky birds, but folks are still seeing them. We generally receive our last hummer report sometime between Oct 13th—19th. Steve and I actually had one come by on October 24th a few years ago. REMEMBER...it is OK to leave your Hummingbird feeders up! Decades of research shows these birds migrate based mostly on length of daylight hours, NOT on available food sources, so you will not make them "stay too long". Enjoy giving them some much-needed Mexico. Other birds reported this



Young Cooper's Hawk
at Birds-I-View



month: Still receiving reports of **Summer Tanagers** (friends in Holts Summit reported both female and male Tanagers earlier this month). See the pic on the cover of this newsletter of a Summer Tanager at our waterfall bird bath. We frequently see a "late" Tanager in the BIV Bird Garden at the **Big Sit**. We are still hearing **Gray Catbird** reports as well as lots of **Cedar waxwings**. The first 3 days of the month brought reports of **Eastern Phoebe**, a female **Rose-**

breasted Grosbeak, and our first report of a **White-throated sparrow** this season. On the 4th we had a report of two **Mute Swans** at Binder Lake and on the 5th Steve and I watched five **Eastern Bluebirds** over the BIV Bird Garden. There have also been reports of a few **Yellow-rumped warblers**, and a very cool sighting of a **Golden-winged Warbler** in Holts summit which Steve was able to verify. We should HOPEFULLY see a few species of warblers at the Big Sit here at BIV on October 11th, and we usually get a **Kinglet**, and sometimes a **Vireo**. Come help us find them this year! The 6th brought us a report of **Greater White-fronted Geese** and on the 7th an **American White Pelican** was spotted at Binder Lake. The Virginia Creeper vine and other berry-producing plants in the BIV Bird Garden are bringing in lots of birds this month: **Northern Mockingbird** and **Northern Flicker** are two pictured on our BIV Facebook page



in our Photo Album titled : "**BIV Bird Garden**". Be sure to check it out to see pics of some of the birds we see in our garden next to our store!

The end of last month brought by a **Yellow-bellied Sapsucker**...hoping to see him again this weekend during the Big Sit. Come join us!



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FYI (Timely Tips)

Migrating birds can mean an increased incidence of **"Window Strikes"**. Make sure to take precautions by utilizing effective **Window Decals**, and rearranging feeders as needed....come see us if you have questions!

Take advantage of those Fall Days that turn off a little warm by using Enzyme Cleaners to **Clean your Bird Bath, Feeders** and even nest boxes. **Natural Enzyme cleaners** need temps of 50 degrees or higher to work well.



"Roosting Pockets" have Arrived!

Check out our advice on offering **Roosting Pockets** to Birds on the **"Educational Page"** of our website!



NEW!

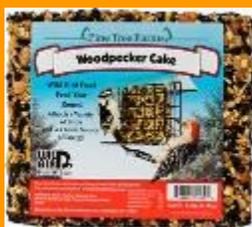


Just Arrived: New adorable Floor Mats, Flags and Yard Sign Covers. Come see what's New!



MORE October SALES:

- 10% OFF all Squirrel Proof Feeders, Baffles, and Weather Guards!
- 10% OFF all Hummingbird Feeders! (Great Prices and Unique designs)



REDUCED Pricing on our Top Selling Pine Tree Farms Seed & Nut Logs and Cakes!

No, this is NOT a close-out ...we just reduced our prices!



Just Arrived!

- **Roosting Pockets** (\$4.95-\$6.95)
- **Bird Seed Wreaths!** (New Styles and Sizes...Great Gifts!)
- **Snowman Seed Cake** (While Supplies last)

