



# Audubon Community Nature Center

*The connection begins with you.*

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The bi-monthly newsletter of ACNC,  
featuring upcoming programs and events.



Audubon Community Nature Center builds and nurtures connections between people and nature by providing positive outdoor experiences, opportunities to learn about and understand the natural world, and knowledge to act in environmentally responsible ways.



## Nature Center Newsletter

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## Nature Center Hours

10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday – Saturday  
1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m., Sunday

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## President's Desk

Leigh Rovegno

I am incredibly honored to join Audubon Community Nature Center as its newest President! ACNC has been fortunate to have had such a talented and dedicated leader as Ruth, and I know she will be missed dearly. I hope to continue to build upon the strong foundation within the community which she and the staff have worked so hard to create.

Previously in my career I was primarily focused on organic farming and the local food movement. I began working on organic farms in the early 2000s before "organic" was a label found in most grocery stores. Since then, I have been educating and advocating for the use of organic practices. My time spent working for the Denver Botanic Gardens included the creation of a Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program that served over 300 families, the first CSA to be operated by a Botanic Garden in the country. We grew over 30 different types of vegetables and fruits, and delivered produce to our shareholders for 21 weeks of the year. My goal with the CSA was not only to provide people with fresh food, but also to educate people about where their food comes from, and how food creates community... organically.

My husband Brian and I recently relocated from Colorado, but have both been a part of the area since we were kids. He grew up in Erie, Pennsylvania, and I grew up in Rochester, New York. We have a strong connection to Chautauqua Lake, as we both spent time here during our summers. I am the lucky mother of two incredible kids: my daughter Charlie (9 years old), and my son Noam (3 years old). Charlie is quiet and kind, and Noam is a whirling dervish. They bring me such joy, and I am very grateful to have spent the last 5 years raising them at home. They are excited for their new adventures here, and I am thrilled to have them grow up with ACNC as a part of their lives.

I look forward to leading ACNC in its mission to connect people to nature, a mission that I take to heart. It is through this connection that we as humans can thrive as a community, and remain grounded throughout the many challenges life brings.

*We hope you'll be able to join Audubon for Leigh's welcome reception. Please watch for an announcement.*



Leigh and her family.

# From These Roots

B. Dolores Thompson, *Historian*

Katie Finch joined the Audubon Community Nature Center education staff in 2011 as one of the invaluable teacher naturalists. She earned a BS in Elementary Education from Susquehanna University in Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania and an MS in Recreation and Resource Management from Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana.

Since her graduation, Katie has used her work in the outdoor education field to explore new areas. She has worked in such diverse places as the Forestry Commission in Georgia, Ferry Beach Ecology School on the coast of Maine, the Cape Cod National Seashore, and at a YMCA camp in Indiana.

Katie spends her free time from Audubon in the outdoors as well, hiking, backpacking, cross country skiing, and snowshoeing. She documents her adventures through photography in Western New York and Pennsylvania, the Adirondacks and farther afield. When at home, she spends time in the kitchen, often bringing in wild edible plants to add to the day's menu.

Her roots are in Harvey's Lake, Pennsylvania in the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton region. When she visits her extended family there, a great deal of time is spent adventuring with her young nieces and nephews.



Red Eft by Katie Finch

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# Programs and Events

## July – August 2018



### Wild 5K Run/Walk

(All)

Saturday, July 28, 2018

**Registration:** 8:00 – 8:45 a.m.

**Race:** 9:00 a.m.

**Awards Ceremony:** 10:30 a.m.

\$25\* Early Bird Price

\$30 After July 16

*\*10% off for Nature Center Members (member code wild18) or Chautauqua Striders. Walk-ins accepted.*

Walk or run through five kilometers of Audubon's trails, enjoying the ponds, fields and forests as you go. All funds raised through this race help Audubon maintain the grounds to keep the trails in good condition and restore habitats.

This race is a part of the Chautauqua Striders series and will use their chip system to time the race. T-shirts, including women's cut shirts this year, are available to all runners and walkers that register before July 16. After the race, enjoy snacks, visit with the Bald Eagle, Liberty, or explore the exhibits inside the Nature Center. The awards ceremony will take place at 10:30 a.m.

**Learn more and register online:** [auduboncnc.org/wild5k](http://auduboncnc.org/wild5k)

## Monday 2

### Hellbender Survey: Experience a Day as a Fisheries Biologist (Adult +)

An Audubon Exclusive

8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
\$40 per person

Meet at Lowe's Home Improvement, 2625 Market Street, North Warren. Paid reservations required by Friday, June 22. Limited enrollment.

When you were growing up, did you enjoy wading in the creek catching critters? Do you know what a hellbender is? Would you like to hold one? Then this is an experience for you.

**Special Information:** Dress for the weather and wear sturdy wading shoes with hard soles and ankle support and clothes that you are willing to wear in the water. You will get wet.

## Friday 6

### First Friday Lunch Bunch Road Trip (Adult)

Allegheny State Park Wetland Boardwalk with Tom LeBlanc

11:00 a.m. – noon  
\$8 Adults  
\$6 Nature Center members\*

\*There is an additional charge of \$7 per vehicle to enter the park. Registrations accepted online through July 5. Walk-ins welcome.

Allegheny State Park naturalist Tom LeBlanc leads a tour along the new wetland boardwalk.

Tom has 25 years of experience as an environmental educator and field biologist.

**Special Information:** BYO brown bag picnic lunch and conversation follows the program. Dress for the weather. Bring binoculars and camera.

## Saturday 7

### Bird Banding Demonstrations (All)

Nature Center Pavilion at West Entrance

6:00 a.m. – noon

Free; Donations appreciated.

No reservations required.

Shadow ornithologists to learn how they capture birds in mist nets, weigh, measure, and identify them, fit them with a uniquely numbered band, and then set them free.

**Special Information:** Visitors to the bird banding station are encouraged to follow the instructions of the banders for the safety of the birds.

## Saturday 14

### Bird Banding Demonstrations (All)

Nature Center Pavilion at West Entrance

6:00 a.m. – noon

Free; Donations appreciated.

See July 7 listing for more info.

### Apples All Year Long: Pest Management (Adult)

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

\$16 Adults

\$12 Nature Center members

Paid reservations required by July 12.

There are bound to be pests affecting your apple trees. Learn about the common pests that frequently bother apple trees and ways to control them.

**Special Information:** This program will incorporate a walk outdoors, weather permitting.

## Saturday 14 (continued)

### Little Explorers

(Children 3 – 8 with an adult)

Floats Like a Butterfly

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

\$8 Adults

\$6 Nature Center members

\$6 Children 3 – 8

Paid reservations required by July 12. Limited enrollment.

Investigate the wonderful world of moths and butterflies. After a lesson, you'll head outside to catch these incredible insects and learn more.

**Special Information:** Rain, or shine. In the case of severe weather, the program will be cancelled.

## Saturday 21

### Bird Banding Demonstrations (All)

Nature Center Pavilion at West Entrance

6:00 a.m. – noon

Free; Donations appreciated.

See July 7 listing for more info.

## Saturday 28

### USS Flagship Niagara, Erie Maritime Museum, and the Tom Ridge Environmental Center –

Guided Tours and Lunch (Adult+)

An Audubon Exclusive

Starting at: Erie Maritime Museum

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

\$45 per person

Paid reservations required by July 20. Limited enrollment.

Enjoy guided tours of the USS Flagship Niagara and Erie Maritime Museum, followed by a picnic "box" lunch and a "behind the scenes" tour of the Tom Ridge Environmental Center.

### Wild 5k Run/Walk (All)

8:00 – 8:45 a.m. Registration

9:00 a.m. Race

See page 4 for more info.



## Roger Tory Peterson's WILD AMERICA NATURE FESTIVAL

July 28 & 29, 2018  
at Panama Rocks Scenic Park  
Chautauqua County, NY



## Fireflies

Katie Finch, *Naturalist*

Watching and catching fireflies on a summer evening is one of the joys of childhood that is still appreciated by adults. Also known as a Lightning Bug, this creature is neither fly nor bug but beetle. The flashing light they produce at night is the result of a chemical reaction in their abdomens. Not all firefly species make light. Some species in this family are active during the day so they have no need to glow.

The evening light show is the continuation of the lifecycle for many firefly species. Fireflies signal with their flashing abdomens to attract mates. The flying flashes are most likely males. The females flash from a perch on the ground. In some species, the females don't even have wings.

Once the males and females find each other through flashing, they mate and the females lay eggs on or in the soil. The eggs hatch in a few weeks and the larvae feed on the ground through early fall. Larvae overwinter buried in the soil, becoming active again in late spring. In early summer, the larvae pupate and emerge as adults in about two to three weeks.

There are over 150 species of firefly found in North America. Each species has a distinctive flashing pattern that can vary in color, length and number of flashes, the time it is active, and habitat. With a little patience and close observation, you may be able to identify different fireflies in your nighttime adventures.



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Firefly larvae by Jennifer Schlick

Firefly larvae tend to be in damp areas and active in late spring and early fall. They also glow but for a different reason. Their steady glow is a warning to predators of their toxicity.

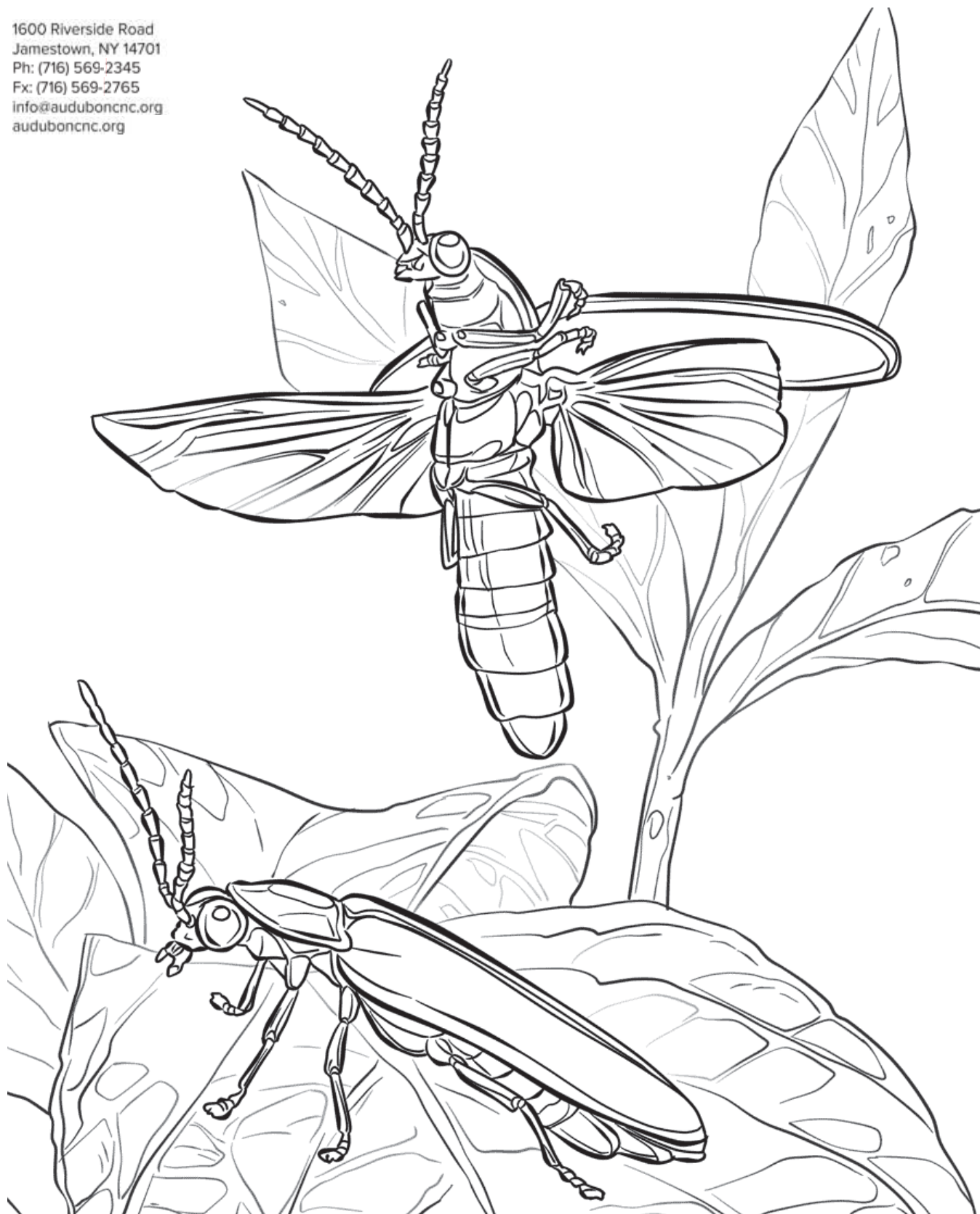
Regional Species	Male Flash Pattern	Habitat	Comments
<i>Photinus pyralis</i> "Big Dipper"	Yellow green color, one flash at a time with a 6 second break	Open fields, flies low	Most active 30 minutes after sunset for one to two hours
<i>Photinus marginellus</i> "Little Gray"	Yellow green color, one flash at a time with a 4 second break	Forest edges	Most active at dusk
<i>Photinus carolinus</i> "Synchronous Firefly"	Yellow green color, six flashes in 3 seconds with a 9 – 12 second break after	Openings in forested areas	Many individuals flash and then break at the same time

# Fireflies Coloring Sheet



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## Intended Audience Key

**Adult** = designed for adults

**Adult+** = designed for adults, mature, and interested children 9 and up when accompanied by an adult.

**All** = Something for everyone, but children must be accompanied by an adult.

**Children** = designed for kids — drop them off and pick them up later.



## Friday 3

### First Friday Lunch Bunch

#### Road Trip (Adult)

*A Hike on the Westside Overland Trail*

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

\$8 Adults

\$6 Nature Center members

*Registrations accepted online through August 2. Walk-ins welcome. (Please bring exact change.)*

Meet at the parking lot on the north side of Route 474 between Panama and the junction with Route 76 (GPS 42.07509, -79.51834). From there, carpool or caravan to a backroad location a bit closer to our destination, hike to the Warner Road Lean-tos, and enjoy BYO picnic lunch on the banks of a picturesque pond. Tom Erlandson, who has long served on the Chautauqua County Parks Commission, will be on hand to relate the history of the park system and this trail, play, learning, and exploration.

**Special Information:** *BYO brown bag picnic lunch with plenty of water in a daypack for easy carrying. Dress for the weather, including hiking shoes/boots, sun and insect protection.*



## Saturday 4

### Apples All Year Long: Orchard Stewardship (Adult)

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

\$16 Adults

\$12 Nature Center members

*Paid reservations required by August 2.*

Taking care of an apple orchard is more than just planting trees. Learn more about the big picture when it comes to orchard management and stewardship. This class will touch on mechanical, biological, and some chemical methods of caring for your orchard.

## Saturday 11

### Little Explorers

(Children 3 – 8 with an adult)

*Forest Fun*

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

\$8 Adults

\$6 Nature Center members

\$6 Children 3 – 8

*Paid reservations required by August 9.*

This month Little Explorers will learn all about trees and how different animals use them for food and shelter. This program includes a lesson followed by outdoor exploration, and a snack. If time and weather allow, a craft is included.

**Special Information:** *This program takes place rain or shine, please dress for the weather.*

## Friday 24

### Monarchs and Margaritas (All)

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

\$25 prepaid

\$30 at the door

*Reservations required by August 22. Limited enrollment.*

Join ACNC for a sneak peak at the Monarchs, some great food, margaritas, and activities. The day before the Monarch Butterfly Festival, the Nature Center is a flurry of motion as preparations get underway. The multipurpose room gets a makeover as it becomes a butterfly house full of flowers and Monarch Butterflies. Join ACNC for this exclusive, adults-only preview before the big festival.

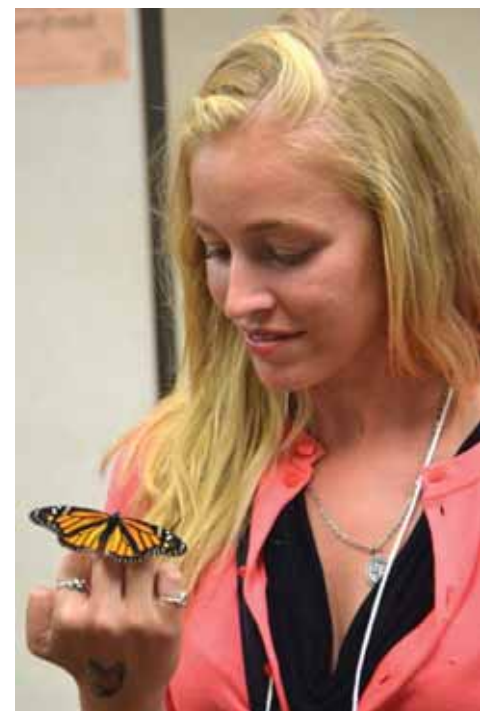
**Special Information:** *For extra drinks and game activities, you may want to bring cash.*

## Saturday 25

### Monarch Butterfly Festival (All)

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

See page 7 for more info.





## Monarch Butterfly Festival

(All)

Saturday, August 25, 2018  
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

\$8 Adults  
\$6 Nature Center members  
\$6 Children 3 – 15  
Free 2 and under

*Purchase tickets online through August 23  
or pay at the door.*

*\*Group rates available.*

Learn more at [auduboncnc.org/monarchfestival](http://auduboncnc.org/monarchfestival)

Join ACNC in celebrating the life and times of the Monarch Butterfly. This once-abundant butterfly has been disappearing from the landscape in recent years, though it is slowly recovering from record low populations.

Learn more about the plight of the Monarchs and what you can do to improve their situation. Enjoy live caterpillars and butterflies, use nets to catch insects around the pond, and watch volunteer researchers tag butterflies to help track their migration to Mexico.

There will also be nature hikes, food, Monarch tattoos, self-guided walks and more. Scouts and others can earn a Monarch Butterfly Fun Patch.

The Monarchs and caterpillars will be inside the Nature Center, which is only open to festival participants for the day. All Monarchs were hand-raised at ACNC for this event and to increase the local Monarch population.

**Special Information:** *Colorful clothes tend to attract the Monarchs. Be prepared for both inside and outside activities. Food, merchandise, and patches are available for purchase.*

*\*Groups of ten or more are eligible for special pricing if arrangements are made at least one week in advance. Stop by or call (716) 569-2345 during business hours with credit card in hand to register your group. No refunds. Group reservation deadline: Friday, August 17.*

### Program Registration

- Online at [auduboncnc.org](http://auduboncnc.org) • Phone: (716) 569-2345
- By mail with credit card information or a check payable to Jamestown Audubon Society Inc.  
**Audubon Community Nature Center**  
1600 Riverside Road,  
Jamestown, NY, 14701

*Keep in mind, a program may be canceled if there are not enough people registered. Register early to ensure the class fills up. Some programs have limited enrollment.*

### Refund Policy

- If Audubon Community Nature Center cancels the program, students receive full refunds.
- If a student cancels **before** the deadline, a refund, with \$5 withheld as a processing fee, will be made.
- If a student cancels **after** the deadline, no refund will be made, but we still need to know of your cancellation.

# Welcome New Nature Center Members

Recorded between March 3, 2018 and May 21, 2018

Sharon and Dave Albrecht — Warren, PA  
 Wendy and Michael Bloss — Jamestown, NY  
 Kathy Bunker — Jamestown, NY  
 Sally and Kevin Burns — Jamestown, NY  
 Susan Collander — Falconer, NY  
 Arlene and Roger Connelly — Dewittville, NY  
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 Amber Curtis — Sugar Grove, PA  
 Kalee Curtis — Warren, PA  
 Tiffany Donaldson — Falconer, NY  
 Susanna Ecklof — Jamestown, NY  
 Spencer Erickson — Jamestown, NY  
 Ethan Gibbs — Jamestown, NY  
 Eileen and Jim Goodling — Ashville, NY  
 Dana and Loni Griffith — Bemus Point, NY  
 David Guayasamin and Christine Lenhardt — Lily Dale, NY  
 Kathy Gustafson — Jamestown, NY  
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 Natalie Gerber — Fair Lawn, NJ  
 Mandy Laurin — Jamestown, NY  
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 Wendy McCain — Warren, PA  
 Phoebe Nelson — Warren, PA  
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 Lacey and Scott Schuler — Warren, PA  
 Erica Skinner — Jamestown, NY  
 Becky and Lee Spear — Jamestown, NY  
 Jill and Nick Spitzer — Jamestown, NY  
 Matt and Rebecca Swafford — Lakewood, NY  
 Paul and Becky Swanson — Jamestown, NY  
 Cheryl Swart — Gerry, NY  
 Robin Trapani — Russell, PA  
 Caryl Vandermolten — Lakewood, NY  
 Vanessa and Steve Von Volen — Jamestown, NY  
 Leslie Weber — Jamestown, NY  
 Vanessa Weinert — Jamestown, NY  
 Sharon Westerberg — Lakewood, NY

## Membership Co-chairs:

Linda Anderson and Sandy Fletcher

## Audubon Muse

summertime and the livin' is easy

## Membership Form (please print)

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Email(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Please send (choose one):

Paper Newsletter

eNewsletter

Both

## Membership Levels

### Basic Levels

Individual \$45

Family \$55

Senior (65+) \$30

Senior Family \$40

Fulltime Student \$35

### Premium Levels

Organizational \$150

Sustaining \$100 – \$299

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 1600 Riverside Road  
 Jamestown, NY 14701

## Summer Interns

Audubon seems to double in size in the summer months as interns come aboard. With a wide range of skills and interest, they join forces to provide outstanding educational opportunities for the community youth. From school programs to service projects, the interns make true the maxim "many hands make light work." Audubon is thrilled to have such a talented group this summer.

**Clare Foley** grew up in Fredonia, NY. She is an environmental biology student at SUNY-ESF.

**David Lobb** just completed his junior year at Penn State Behrend, with anticipation of graduating next spring with a Bachelor's degree in Environmental Science Field Studies.

**Phoebe Nelson** is a Warren, Pennsylvania native in her junior year at Florida International University in Miami.

**Shane Murphy** has returned to Western New York to earn a Master's in Education. Previously, he was a ranger in Acadia National Park in Maine.

**Zarah Pratz** is from Warren, PA and a recent graduate of Mercyhurst University with a bachelor's degree in biology.

## Summer Day Camp

Remember playing in the woods when you were a kid? Catching frogs, building forts, and getting lost in the world found under a log? Children have a chance to experience that at Day Camp.

Audubon offers two types of camps for children — a nature play option that focuses on active learning, and a more educational option that adds more knowledge and structure to the week. Both options are beneficial, so says the scientific literature. The smiles and enthusiasm of the campers at the end of the day is what we rely on, though, to know that we have a profoundly positive impact on their lives.

Camps are available for ages 4 – 18. You can find details at [auduboncnc.org/daycamp](http://auduboncnc.org/daycamp) or call the Nature Center. You also have the option to contribute to the campership fund and help a child spend valuable time in nature. Call Sarah Hatfield for more details on how to donate to the program.



*Sneaking Through* by Brandon Abranovic, 2012 Photo Contest winner in the Youth Division.

## Submit Your Best Shots

Submission deadline is July 31, 2018

There is still time to submit your best shots to the annual Nature Photography Contest. Submission is only \$10 per photo.

First place winners receive \$300 while second place winners receive \$100. There will be a first and second place for each division, adult and youth.

Instead of separate categories, this year's contest has one overarching theme — *Natural Wonders: Big and Small*.

Learn more about the contest and submit your best shots at: [acncphotocontest.com](http://acncphotocontest.com)

## Foundation Support

*Foundation Support recorded between  
March 3, 2018 and May 21, 2018*

Chautauqua Region Community Foundation  
Conarro Family Fund  
DeFrees Family Memorial Fund  
Hultquist Foundation  
Lakeshore Savings Bank  
Sheldon Foundation  
Sokolski Family Foundation



Liberty the Bald Eagle eating a fish.

## Share Your Catch

If you have your fishing license and find yourself with extra fish, please consider sharing with Liberty, the Bald Eagle. With local fisheries no longer able to donate as they had in the past, Liberty's food sources are getting harder to find. To share your catch, please contact the Nature Center.

## Bird Seed

Conewango Blend, a mix of birdseed especially formulated to attract a wide array of birds to your feeders, is always available at ACNC in the Blue Heron Gift Shop.



You can also find Conewango Blend year round at the following locations:

- Ashville General Store, Ashville, NY
- Bridgeview One Stop, Bemus Point, NY
- Hamlet Farms, Sheridan, NY
- Herbs R 4 U, Jamestown, NY
- Howe's True Value, Warren, PA
- Lakewood Apothecary, Lakewood, NY
- Lighthouse Point Grocery, Mayville, NY
- Oneida Lumber, Ace Hardware, Warren, PA
- Russell Veterinary Hospital, Russell, PA
- Wegmans, Jamestown, NY

## ACNC Gold Members

Recorded 9/8/2017



## Audubon Exclusives

Some of the most popular items at the Fall 2017 OctoberFEAST Auction were the special events and services. The fundraising committee thought it might be fun to offer them as "Exclusives" outside of an auction setting. Check the Audubon Exclusives program listing on the website for details about renting a friend to do yardwork, or "hiring" a storyteller for your next event.



Storyteller Grandpa Dave Wargo and Bigfoot. Photo by Linda J. Gross



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## Building and Grounds Volunteers Needed

Audubon is a great place to experience the great wonders of nature. Some of those wonders take hard work to keep accessible to the public. If you are interested in volunteering in the gardens, grounds, or helping with general maintenance and upkeep, your help would be appreciated.

Please fill out a volunteer application online at [auduboncnc.org/volunteer](http://auduboncnc.org/volunteer) or call the Nature Center at (716) 569-2345 for more information.

## Audubon Community Nature Center Volunteers

Ann Anderson \* Dennis Anderson \* Linda Anderson \* Todd Anderson \* Thom Armella \* Wendy Bale \* Chelsea Beck \* Mary Beckerink \* Edith Bensink \* Heidi Bird \* Greg Bonavita \* Holly Bonavita \* Louise Boutwell \* Reg Boutwell \* Bonnie Bowen \* Pat Brininger \* Leah Bullock \* Pat Carlson \* Raymond Carlson \* Pierre Chagnon \* Barb Conklin \* Jane Conroe \* Elaine Crossley \* Thomas Dawson \* Ethan Dennis \* Bill Dies \* Don Dove \* Nancy Duink \* Debbie Durin \* Kimberly Dunnigan \* Bonnie Erigberg \* Mel Feather \* Lee Fletcher \* Sandy Fletcher \* Janet Forbes \* Dean Frentz \* Elaine Frentz \* Alex Glazier \* Amber Grekalski \* Terry Hallock \* Mary Anne Harp \* Cali Housler \* Karen Inwood \* Pamela Johnson \* Richard Johnson \* Ronald Johnson \* Kelly Joslyn \* Tracy Kirchhoff \* Robert Klebacha \* David Lange \* Susan Lawton \* Terry LeBaron \* Justin Leid \* Penny Lester \* Kathy Levandowski \* Karen Lobe \* Judy Long \* Natalie Mashensic \* Elizabeth McIntyre \* Janel McIntyre \* Ruby Miller \* Barry Millspaw \* Marlene Mudge \* Sally Patchen \* Jennifer Pierce \* Deborah Pring \* Blanche Robbins \* Rick Rupprecht \* Jolee Rutenber \* Carol Samuelson \* Robert Schlick \* Don Sharp \* Dannielle Skeates \* Timothy Smeal \* Jarod Smith \* Lee Spangler \* Chip Spiesman \* Kay Stahlman \* Rose Stark \* Scott Stoleson \* Austin Swanson \* Merle Szydio \* Emily Thomas Perlock \* Amy Thompson \* Erich Thompson \* Matthew Thompson \* Ralph Tressler \* Robert VanEvery \* Don Watts \* Akayla Weatherby \* Joyce Weber \* Nathan Welker \* Nathan Weyandt \* Mary Jane Whaley \* Nancy White \* Catherine Willard \* Robert Williams \* John Willisie \* Joyce Wiltsie \* Edward Yager \* Susan Yauchzy \* Steve Zanoni

*These 102 volunteers (including 30 RSVP volunteers) logged 1196 hours during **March and April 2018.***