



# Audubon Community Nature Center

*The connection begins with you.*

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



## Mission

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.

## Vision

Audubon Community Nature Center envisions a future where every child within our community has a real and healthy connection to nature.



## Nature Center Newsletter

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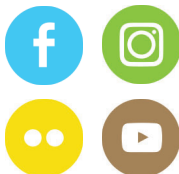
## Nature Center Hours

Trails are open daily from dawn to dusk.  
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## Executive Director's Desk

Leigh Rovegno

Dear Members and Friends of the Nature Center,

The gardens are growing, and the birds are all a flutter in anticipation of the completion of the Pamela A. Westrom Wildlife Habitat. If you haven't been by the Nature Center recently, be sure to come by and see the tremendous amount of progress that has taken place this spring in anticipation of welcoming three or more additional birds of prey to Audubon's site.

This is just one of the many improvements that have been possible with the support of generous Audubon donors. We are so grateful for you!

This year's annual 'Birdathon' (which takes place May 1 through May 9), in addition to the upcoming Give Big Chautauqua fundraising campaign, will raise additional funds to help ensure quality care for the birds for years to come.

Soon, we will also launch Audubon's 'Habitat Heroes' program that will allow individuals to sponsor their favorite animal ambassador to provide ongoing materials needed to maintain a healthy habitat.

Did you know that 2022 marks the 20th anniversary of Liberty's arrival at Audubon? What better way to celebrate her birthday than by the addition of this incredible facility, and with the welcoming of some new avian-friends!

Oh, and did I forget to mention that Audubon will soon (if they haven't already arrived) be home to Hellbenders? Oneeka and Tweeg are Hellbenders that were raised as part of the 'New York State Hellbender Recovery Team Effort'. They were raised by the Buffalo Zoo, and were then on permanent loan at the Roger Tory Peterson Institute (RTPI). Audubon recently acquired them from RTPI as part of our ongoing effort to provide up-close animal encounters for people of all ages.

There is so much to see and do at Audubon this spring and summer, and there are so many ways to ensure that our community continues to benefit from the mental, emotional, and physical health benefits of nature.

Thank you to our donors, members, grantors, and community partners for making all of this possible.

We couldn't do any of this without you!

*Leigh J. Rovegno*



# ACNC Through the Years

Audubon has changed a lot since it was founded in 1957 around a kitchen table. The following excerpts are from past May – June newsletters.

## 1961

“The second Annual Allegany Nature Pilgrimage was a great success.”

## 1971

“JAS (Jamestown Audubon Society) has expressed its appreciation to Loblaw’s in Jamestown for supplying suet... for the Club’s feeders.”

## 1981

“The membership... was saddened by the sudden loss of one of its founders, Clarence M. Beal. If you never met Clarence Beal, you missed having a good friend.”

## 1991

“Jamestown Audubon now has a ‘living fossil.’ . . . *Ginkgo biloba* is the sole surviving species in Order Ginkgoales.” [Editor’s Note: This tree still grows near the Urban Pavilion.]

## 2001

“Betty Nuttall is retiring.... Betty came to Audubon in 1986 and from that point on we grew in stature and professionalism.”

## 2011

“...Audubon education staff will spend a good portion of the day looking for birds... to raise a scholarship for Elyse Johnson (now Henshaw), a JCC student studying wildlife biology.”



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Audubon Community Nature Center’s Board of Directors, Chairs, and Committee Members are volunteers.

Thank you to those listed above who contribute time, thought, and energy to help ACNC run smoothly and effectively.

*Participants engaged in one of the many programs offered during the Allegany Nature Pilgrimage. Photo by Bonnie Bowen.*

## Volunteer Corner

There are numerous ways you can help out at Audubon. Some volunteers assist weekly, others once or twice a year. Audubon depends on their volunteers and appreciates their time and talents.

### Ongoing opportunities

- **OWLS:** buildings, grounds, and trail maintenance
- **Gardens:** maintenance and management
- **Administrative:** mailings, membership, general office support
- **Animal Care:** habitat maintenance, feeding, developing an enrichment program

### Current Volunteer Needs

- **Skilled trades:** electrical, carpentry, and mechanical
- **Animal Care:** habitat maintenance

### Volunteer Events and Recognition

- Volunteer Day, April 24, 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- Volunteer Recognition Picnic, May 15, 1:00 p.m.

Please contact Tina Preston for more information on becoming a volunteer at [tpreston@auduboncnc.org](mailto:tpreston@auduboncnc.org) or (716) 569-2345.

### Volunteer Recognition Picnic

**May 15, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.**

Free for all current ACNC Volunteers

Non-volunteers: \$8 per person • \$6 Members

*Reservations required*

Volunteers have always been a key part of Audubon's success. Volunteers worked over 6,000 hours last year, an amazing number considering the months that Audubon was closed to all but essential workers. ACNC is throwing a picnic to celebrate everything volunteers have done and recognize the milestones volunteers have reached.

During this year's celebration ACNC will be introducing Audubon Story Corner, a new initiative to capture the history of Audubon through the voices of the volunteers and members. Sit down with a friend or with one of the staff members to share your favorite Audubon memory, how it was back in beginning, or another tale that relates to Audubon.

*For more information about Audubon Story Corner and to reserve a spot to record your memories during the picnic, contact Tina Preston, Volunteer Coordinator.*

## Birdseed

Conewango Blend is a specially-mixed seed that was created by a team of local birders to attract many different birds. It is rich with black oil sunflower seeds and also includes canary seed, millet, corn, safflower seed, and sunflower hearts. The goal is to attract many different birds without wasting seed. This mix is available in the Blue Heron Gift Shop at ACNC.



You can also find Conewango Blend at:

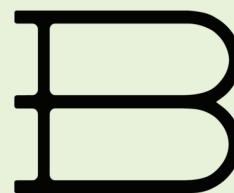
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## ShopLocalCHQ.com

**100% of sales made through ShopLocalCHQ.org go directly to the local businesses who participate.**

### Blue Heron Gift Shop



### Now on Bookshop.org

Search Audubon then select the "shops" tab to find ACNC's storefront.

# Programs and Events

## May

### Bird Banding Demonstrations (All)

**Saturday, May 1**, 7:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Also happening **May 8 and 15**

Free, donations encouraged

### Birdathon (Adult+)

**May 1 – 9**

Visit [auduboncnc.org/birdathon](http://auduboncnc.org/birdathon) for more info.

### Virtual: Planting Seedlings and

#### Seeds Outdoors (Adult+)

**Tuesday, May 4**, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

\$8 Adults • \$6 Members and Children 9 – 15

### Bird Walks (Adult+)

**May 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7**

6:30 – 7:30 a.m.

Free; pledges for Birdathon appreciated

### Werner Park Wildflower Walks (Adult+)

**Wednesdays, May 5, 12, 19, 26 and June 2**

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

\$6 Adults • \$4 Members and Children 9 – 15

### Nature Lab (Ages 4 – 5)

**Thursdays and Fridays**

**May 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, 27, 28**, 8:30 – 11:30 a.m.

\$24 Daily • \$18 Members

### The Outdoor Classroom (Ages 6 – 10)

**Thursday or Friday, May 6/7, 13/14, 20/21, 27/28**

**Full Day:** 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

\$60 Children 6 – 10 • \$45 Member children

**Half Day:** 8:00 – 11:30 a.m. or noon – 3:30 p.m.

\$30 Children 6 – 10 • \$22.50 Member children

Optional lunch from 11:30 a.m. – noon (BYOL)

### First Friday

*Exploring India and Nepal (Adult+)*

**Friday, May 7**, 11:00 a.m. – noon

\$8 Adults • \$6 Members and Children 9 – 15

### Little Explorers — Decomposers

(Ages 3 – 8 with an adult)

**Saturday, May 8**, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

\$8 Adults • \$6 Members and Children 3 – 8

### Nature Walk (Adult+)

**Saturday, May 15**, 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Free, donations encouraged

### Volunteer Recognition Picnic (All)

**Saturday, May 15**, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Free for all current ACNC Volunteers

Non-volunteers: \$8 per person • \$6 Members

### Warren Gives (Adult)

**Wednesday, May 19**, 6:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

[warrengives.org](http://warrengives.org)

### Spring Rummage Sale (All)

**Saturday, May 22**, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Sunday May, 23, 10:00 – 2:00 p.m.

### Plant Exchange and Sale (All)

**Saturday, May 22**, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

### Virtual: Home Garden Tips (Adult+)

**Tuesday, May 25**, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

\$8 Adults • \$6 Members and Children 9 – 15

### Creature Feature — Snapping Turtle (All)

**Wednesday, May 26**, 3:30 – 4:15 p.m.

\$8 Adults • \$6 Members and Children 3 – 15

Free 2 and under

## June

### Nature Lab (Ages 4 – 5)

**Thursdays and Fridays, June 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18**

8:30 – 11:30 a.m.

\$24 Daily • \$18 Members

### The Outdoor Classroom (Ages 6 – 10)

**Thursday or Friday, June 3/4, 10/11, 17/18**

**Full Day:** 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

\$60 Children 6 – 10 • \$45 Members

**Half Day:** 8:00 – 11:30 a.m. or noon – 3:30 p.m.

Optional lunch from 11:30 a.m. – noon (BYOL)

\$30 Children 6 – 10 • \$22.50 Members

### First Friday — Bringing Back Bald Eagles

(Adult+)

**Friday, June 4**, 11:00 a.m. – noon

\$8 Adults • \$6 Members and Children 9 – 15

### Nature Walks (Adult+)

**Saturday, June 5 and 26**, 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Free, donations encouraged

### Pilgrimage Beyond the Park (All)

**Saturday, June 5**, Workshop times TBD

\$8 Adults • \$6 Members and Children 3 – 15

Free 2 and under

### Virtual: Home Harvesting your

#### Garden's Bounty (Adult+)

**Tuesday, June 8**, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

\$8 Adults • \$6 Members and Children 9 – 15

### Give Big CHQ

**Thursday, June 10**, 2021

[givebigchq.org](http://givebigchq.org)

### Little Explorers — Pond Life

(Ages 3 – 8 with an adult)

**Saturday, June 12**, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

\$8 Adults • \$6 Members and Children 3 – 8

### Water Chestnut Pull (Adult +)

**Saturday, June 12**, 9:00 a.m. – noon

Free to volunteer

### Dragons and Fairies Festival (All)

**Saturday, June 19**, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

\$8 Adults • \$6 Members and Children 3 – 15

Free 2 and under

### Summer Solstice Bonfire (All)

**Sunday, June 20**

**Session 1:** 7:30 p.m., **Session 2:** 8:30 p.m.

\$8 Adults • \$6 Members • \$2 Children 3 – 15

Free 2 and under

### Creature Feature — Aquatic Insects (All)

**Wednesday, June 30**, 3:30 – 4:15 p.m.

\$8 Adults • \$6 Members and Children 3 – 15

Free 2 and under

## 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/Ages** = designed for kids — drop them off and pick them up later.



## Program Registration

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

## Refund Policy

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

*Registrations required for most programs. Programs may be cancelled if there are not enough registered. Register early to ensure the class fills. Some programs have limited enrollment.*

## Please Note:

For the most accurate information about ACNC programs and events, please visit [auduboncnc.org](http://auduboncnc.org) or call **(716) 569-2345**.

Face coverings are required for all participants ages 3 and up for indoor programs; they are also required for outdoor programs during which participants cannot maintain 6 feet of distance between family groups.

## Dragons and Fairies Festival

Saturday, June 19

10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

\$8 Adults

\$6 Members and Children 3 – 15

Free 2 and under

*Paid reservations required by June 18.  
Enrollment limited to 50 per time slot.*

Bring your imagination to life during the Dragons and Fairies Festival.

Enjoy a series of guided and self-guided activities all about the magical creatures who call nature their home. The popular Dragon Egg Hunt, Kids' Archery Station, and Craft Cove return, joined by a new Challenge Treasure Hunt, Fantasy Obstacle Course, and Fairy Friends Scavenger Hunt.

Food, vendors, and photo opportunities will be available. As COVID limitations change, ACNC will modify the event accordingly. Paid reservations per time slot are required.

Visit [auduboncnc.org/dragonfairifest](http://auduboncnc.org/dragonfairifest) for the most up-to-date information.



*You'll meet a crew of magical characters throughout your visit to the festival.*

## Pamela A. Westrom Wildlife Habitat

Visitors have noticed amazing progress on the Pamela A. Westrom Wildlife Habitat. Liberty and the construction area are blocked off for the duration of construction. It's hard to predict at what state the project will be in when you read this, but be prepared to see lots of exciting changes near Liberty.

It will take longer to acquire the birds than to build the housing for them. The birds of prey that Audubon is considering require special permits. Staff member Kim Turner is currently training to handle birds, but requires 250 hours of learning to care for these live birds before they arrive.

These new animal ambassadors will be trained for programming, which will allow for more intimate programs about birds of prey. These non-releasable birds will have to be carefully evaluated to be sure they are a good fit for Audubon and the resources available. No individual birds or bird species have been chosen as of the writing of this article.

New birds could arrive as early as the end of the summer, but they are more likely to arrive in the spring of 2022. Construction should wrap up before summer, but there are many items, including appliances, gloves for handlers, and food, that will need to be purchased as well.

To support this project and learn more, please visit [auduboncnc.org/pawwh](http://auduboncnc.org/pawwh).



*This photo shows the project progress as of mid-March. Construction has been happening quickly.*

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## Summer Day Camp

Audubon's Summer Day Camp actively engages children with the outdoors, captivating their interest and inspiring them to connect with nature. ACNC achieves this by providing campers with time for free play, outdoor adventures, interactive nature-based lessons, and discovery-based activities.

Day camp is available from June through August. Sessions are available for all ages from preschool through high school. Pre- and post- camps are also available. For more information visit:

[auduboncnc.org/daycamp](https://auduboncnc.org/daycamp).

*Summer Day Camp programs will adhere to COVID-19 restrictions and state mandates.*

## Rummage Sale

May 22, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
May 23, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Are you cleaning out your house and gardens this spring? Audubon needs your used things and extra plants this May! Donations to the rummage sale can be brought to the Nature Center May 14 – 20. No clothing or electronics will be accepted.

The rummage sale will be set up in the backyard. Most items will be priced by donation.

## Plant Exchange and Sale

May 22, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Plants can be dropped off on the day of the sale to be traded for new plants. Plants can also be purchased outright. There will be a mix of plants from Audubon's gardens, volunteers, and greenhouses for trade/sale.



## Memorials and Honoraria

Recorded between September 3, 2020 and February 28, 2021.

### In Memory of:

#### Brian Abbott

The Cusimano Family  
Daniel and Deborah Kathman  
Kendall Club PBA  
Ron and Jane Kidder  
John LaMancuso  
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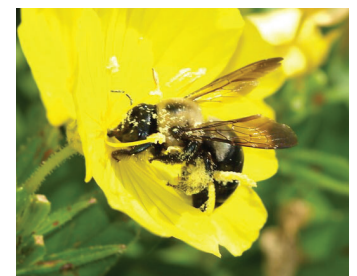
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## Spring is for Giving

May and June features some amazing opportunities to donate to Audubon in creative ways.

### Birdathon, May 1 – 9

Audubon's Nature Educators have birded for years to raise money for the Ryan Exline Scholarship, but this year the Birdathon is expanding to include more birders to help raise money for the Pamela A. Westrom Wildlife Habitat. This new project will bring three to four new birds of prey to Audubon, and it needs your support. Learn how to create your own Birdathon team or donate to Audubon's team at [auduboncnc.org/birdathon](https://auduboncnc.org/birdathon).

### Warren Gives, May 19

Audubon is teaming up with Warren County organizations to offer more public programs in Warren County. Your donations on May 19 will help support that effort. Ten percent of all donations made through Warren Gives will be matched by the Community Foundation of Warren County and their sponsors. Visit [warrengives.org](https://warrengives.org) for more information.

### Give Big CHQ, June 10

Audubon's 2021 Give Big CHQ campaign will also be focused on raising funds to support the Pamela A. Westrom Wildlife Habitat. The Chautauqua Region Community Foundation awards financial prizes to organizations that raise money in the community. Visit [givebigchq.org](https://givebigchq.org) for more information.



Not much of a birder? You can still make a pledge to the Birdathon team of your choice.

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## Blue Heron Legacy Society

Audubon Community Nature Center strives to ensure that every child from the local community has a real and healthy connection to nature. You can be a part of this vision, make it stronger, and leave a lasting legacy for the future.

Audubon's vision becomes stronger through long-term commitments made by Nature Center members, donors, and friends; those who wish their legacies to be a part of a thriving, educational, nature-based organization. Commitments can include giving gifts of stocks, donations made from donor advised funds, bequests, and IRA charitable giving.

*What will **your** legacy be?  
How will you leave **your** mark on the world?*

Please contact Leigh Rovegno for more information on becoming part of the Blue Heron Legacy Society at [lrovegno@auduboncnc.org](mailto:lrovegno@auduboncnc.org) or (716) 569-2345.



## Community Partners

Thank you for your dedicated support.

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King Bird. Photo by Jennifer Schlick.