



Neighborhood Birds of Orange

The Orange Conservation Commission (OCC) is hosting a **Guided Nature Bird Walk** at the **Turkey Hill Preserve**, GPS Address: 700 Derby- Milford Road, Orange on **Saturday, April 20, 2024, 9am to 11am**. Rain will cancel this event.

The walk will be led by Anthony Zemba, Certified Ecologist with LANDTECH Consultants in Westport, CT. Anthony was formerly the Director of Conservation at the Connecticut Audubon Society. Throughout his career he has served as a consulting ecologist to various federal, state, and local governments; non-governmental organizations; and private clients. He continues to volunteer as a Field Ornithologist for the U.S. Geological Survey (American Bald Eagle winter counts), and the Connecticut Dept. of Energy and Environmental Protection (breeding bird surveys.).

Anthony is very familiar with the Turkey Hill Preserve, as he authored the Conservation and Management Plan for the Preserve and hosted several other guided walks in the past. His narrations are always fun and informative. He has even been known to replicate the calls of several species of native birds and they appear to the delight of all participants.

Participants are requested to arrive at 8:45am, urged to dress warmly and wear water-resistant, comfortable footwear. The trail is mostly level, with a few short areas of slight incline/decline. Due to the excessive rain in the past months, some areas may be wet and muddy.

Bring your binoculars! And please remember that “quiet” is important during the walk in order to maximize detections of the bird calls and to not frighten them.

We hope you can join us for this event and learn about the native birds of Orange and the sweet surroundings of the Turkey Hill Preserve.

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