

WCAS MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES 10-4-2005

Meeting was called to order by Nancy Howell at 7:40 pm

Nancy remarked on the 83 degree temperature for this time of the year!

1. Minutes were read and approved.
2. Nancy reported that on the Beyer's Pond field trip they saw 41 species of birds, most notably Junco, Merlin, Cooper's hawk and Golden Crown Kinglet. November 12th field trip will be to Perry Park, check newsletter or web site for further details.
Next month's program will be photographer John Roger, who will have a visual presentation on Mother Nature's World.
3. Tom stated that as a follow up to last month's talk: Ohio Audubon Conservation Committee via phone conferences will state that they support but do not oppose wind power. They do suggest sun and water power sources. This is the position of several other Audubon State Chapters. The committee is in the process of formally stating this in a policy statement. During the question period, Claudia said that there is a very active Wind Power Group in Ohio. Web site is www.OhioWind.org. They will host a conference Nov 18th in Columbus.
4. Tom, VP of the Council of Ohio Audubon Chapters, says the goal of COAC is to assemble all 19 chapters. A retreat Nov 12-13 will be held at Mohican. Topics to be facilitated by a professional facilitator, who volunteered his services, will be discussion on ways to increase membership participation and increasing youth involvement.
If any member would like to attend see Tom or Mary Anne Romito by Oct. 28th.
5. Nancy Howell introduced the speaker for tonight: Kristen Stanford. Her enthusiastic presentation on "Snakes of Lake Erie Islands" was well received. She may be contacted by: theislandssnakelady@yahoo.com

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Mary,

The Western Cuyahoga Audubon Society is in receipt of your letter dated 9-26-05. In order to make a determination on assistance the Board has requested I write to you and request further information as in what capacity you will be traveling and the outcome of your travels. The Board also wishes to extend an invitation to you to present your proposal to us at the next Board meeting in November. Please reply to the address above.

Sincerely,

Claudia Anders
WCAS Recording Secretary