

## Wetlands Plant Walk

Saturday, Sept. 2nd ~ 9:00 am.



Join us as we walk through parts of the Baker Wetlands identifying the plants we encounter. The "show stopper" will likely be an abundance of *Bidens* (Bur Marigold) in bloom in restoration areas by the Discovery Center and boardwalk. We'll look for other species including a variety of grasses, bulrushes and sedges. The Wetlands are home to 7 species of "sunflowers" and many will be blooming. 487 plant species have been identified at the wetlands so far!

**The public is invited.** The walk will last 60-90 minutes covering up to 2 miles on well established trails. Meet in the main parking lot of the Baker Wetlands Discovery Center. Visit <https://www.bakeru.edu/wetlands/> for directions.

~ Roger Boyd, Education Coordinator  
Baker Wetlands Discovery Center

## How to Garden with Native Plants

Grassland Heritage Foundation  
Workshops for Home Gardeners

9:00—10:30 am

KU Native Medicinal Plant  
Research Garden

1865 E. 1600 Road, Lawrence

Workshops will include hands-on work and a tour of the garden. *RSVP for each workshop required and space is limited.* Email GHF at [grasslandheritage@gmail.com](mailto:grasslandheritage@gmail.com) for complete workshop descriptions and to RSVP.

Upcoming free workshops:

August 19th - *Wildlife in the Garden*. Angie Babbit of Monarch Watch on pollinators and other wildlife that rely on native plants.

September 23rd - *Divide and Multiply*. Courtney Masterson will demonstrate how to divide plants, collect seeds and prepare the garden for winter.

Monday, August 28th

## Wild Alaska

The very knowledgeable, always entertaining Bob Gress is JAS' August speaker. He writes that seeing wildlife adapted to the stunning landscape of the North is one of the exciting reasons to visit Alaska. Muskox, Arctic Fox and Northern Fur Seals join specialized birds in this harsh environment. Some northern-adapted birds seldom venture beyond their arctic habitats. Others, often called the "Asiatics," are normally associated with Asia but have extended their ranges into and across the Bering Sea. This presentation features the wilds of Nome and St. Paul Island in search of bluethroats, puffins, auklets, jaegers, kittiwakes, ptarmigan, muskox and lots more!

*This program is for all those who appreciate the value of wild places and wild things!*



Bob Gress, former director of Wichita's Great Plains Nature Center and co-founder of [www.BirdsInFocus.com](http://www.BirdsInFocus.com), is a Distinguished Alumnus of Emporia State University with an M.S. in Environmental Biology. Bob has photographed wildlife in wild places throughout North, Central, and South America, Asia, New Zealand, Australia and Africa. Over 4,400 of his wildlife photos have been published in a variety of magazines and in more than sixty books, including *Birds of Kansas*, *The Guide to Kansas Birds and Birding Hot Spots*, *Faces of the Great Plains*, *Kansas Wildlife*, *Watching Kansas Wildlife*, *The Living Gulf Coast*, *The Smithsonian Book of North American Mammals*, and *The Guide to Colorado Mammals*.

See more of Bob's bird images at: [www.BirdsInFocus.com](http://www.BirdsInFocus.com)

**BYO Dinner with Bob Gress:** 5:00 p.m. Ingredient. Corner 10th & Mass in downtown Lawrence. Please let Joyce Wolf know if you will dine: [rjawolf@sunflower.com](mailto:rjawolf@sunflower.com) or 785-887-6019

**Program:** 7:30 pm. Trinity Lutheran Fellowship Hall. 1245 New Hampshire. Refreshments.



Ed Shaw (on right) was honored at the Jayhawk Audubon 40th Anniversary Dinner for his many services to the chapter. Mike Watkins is presenting Ed with one of his wonderful photos.

## Our friend Ed Shaw

We lost a good friend and dedicated Jayhawk Audubon member, Ed Shaw, on May 5<sup>th</sup> of this year. He died peacefully at home with his wife of 36 years, fellow Jayhawk founding member Cynthia Shaw, by his side. Ed was 90 years old at the time of his passing and lived a long and productive life.

For those of us in Jayhawk Audubon, specifically those of us involved in Eagles Day, he was a valuable member of our committee who kept us on track, made us laugh, made sure we never left the meetings hungry (always refilling our plates with Cynthia's excellent desserts), and was very dependable in doing all of the leg work necessary to make Eagles Day a success.

He was born in Long Island, New York and received his Bachelor and Master Degrees from the University of Missouri, yet he became a Jayhawk through and through. There wasn't any black and gold running through his veins—he was crimson and blue all the way. He obtained his PhD from the University of Tennessee, then became a Professor of Radiation Biophysics and taught Biology at KU from 1956-1996.

Ed was very passionate about the environment, nature and the outdoors. He enjoyed running, photography, maintaining his beautifully landscaped yard, KU football and basketball, and birdwatching. He would try to tell you that he was a better birder than Cynthia, but Cynthia taught him everything he knew about birds. He and Cynthia participated in the Lawrence and Perry Christmas Bird Counts for years. Ed and Cynthia were very active in the Jayhawk Audubon Society and would go to great lengths to help in any way needed to assist the organization, including editing and producing the newsletter for many years and chairing the membership committee.

We will miss you Ed.

~ Bonnie Watkins  
Eagles Day Committee Chair

## Help Us Get Out!!

Out on field trips that is....

JAS needs a field trip coordinator/chair. You may be up for leading field trips yourself or you could be the planner/scheduler who recruits other birders, plant people or wildlife enthusiasts to lead trips for the chapter. Having some sort of outing or active event once a month is our ideal. Some months already have traditional events like monarch tagging, Christmas Bird Counts or Birdathon. Other months are wide open for your ideas.

To volunteer or ask questions, contact JAS President Gary Anderson: [gjanderson1963@gmail.com](mailto:gjanderson1963@gmail.com) or 785-246-3229

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The mission of the Jayhawk Audubon Society is

- ★ to provide opportunities for greater understanding and appreciation of birds and other wildlife,
- ★ to encourage sustainable practices,
- ★ and to advocate for actions and policies which result in protection and preservation of intact ecological ecosystems.

## DONATE to BIRDATHON 2017 ★Put kids in touch with nature★

JAS uses Birdathon donations to put on our free Monarch Tagging Event, Eagles Day, the Learning About Nature Project Field Trips, KU Natural History Museum Camp Scholarships, Earth Day & Migratory Bird Day activities, and more.

175 species were found during Birdathon 2017, held from May 1st to 14th. Our keen-sighted birders included Bill Busby, Galen Pittman, David Seibel, Roger Boyd, Jennifer Delisle, Linda Vidosh Zempel, John Zempel, and Richard Bean. This year's birding was all done in northeast Kansas—a departure from some recent years when folks went to Cheyenne Bottoms and Quivira NWR—but we still found a record number of species! See the list on Page 6.

Birdathon works like any other 'thon' except that we log species instead of miles or kilometers. You can donate a fixed amount or an amount per species. For example: a dime per species would be \$17.50, or you could round up to \$20.00. A quarter per species would be \$43.75 and so on.

**Every donation, small or large, will be deeply appreciated. Every penny will be put to work for our signature educational events listed above and conservation projects like "Plants for Birds," our local effort in the National Audubon initiative to increase usable habitat and food resources for birds.**

~ Richard Bean, Birdathon Chair



A mallard scoping out Red-eared Slider turtles basking on a log.

## Learning About Nature Update

The Learning About Nature Project will continue field trips to Potter Lake in fall 2017. These trips offer valuable experiences to two groups of students: KU Field Ecology students of Bob Hagen learn how to conduct activities and lessons in the field for younger students; 7th graders have hands-on in the field lessons about nature. Education chair Sandy Sanders works with both groups of students before and during trips to help all the students get the maximum benefit from the day.

In spring 2017, Sandy continued to play a key role in the LANP 6th grade field trips to the Baker Wetlands, although scheduling of teachers and facilitators has now been handed on to Roger and Jon Boyd, Wetlands Education Coordinator and Director, respectively. Sandy is there for every trip, introducing students to the site, making sure students get to every station, trouble-shooting the inevitable glitches and presenting a wrap-up to help students process the experiences.

Further, Sandy has found there is an increasing interest by families in environmental education opportunities. She is considering how to offer such trips, potential partners, viable locations, best time(s) of year, etc.—the many complex variables that can make a project a success or a flop. So stay tuned as the LANP continues to develop and reach ever more community members.

### Please support the Project!

## Got Milk??...Cartons, that is

If you drink milk of any kind—cow's, almond, soy—or juice in 1/2 gallon cartons, please consider saving your empties for the JAS Earth Day table. The bird feeder project that we have done for lo these many years still fascinates kids. They love the idea of feeding birds and keep creating new carton designs. We also give away a starter supply of black oil sunflower seeds to each young artist.

But this spring we came up a little short on cartons, so we are asking anyone who buys milk or juice in 1/2 gal. cartons to save them for us. You don't have to store them for the whole year, but could bring them to a monthly meeting for JAS to store until next April.



*Just please rinse them out well, so there is no sour milk smell, let them dry so they don't go moldy, and they're good to go. Save the lid as we put those back on to help keep the seed dry. Thanks to all who can do this!*

### Birdathon Donation Form

Clip and send with your check to: Jayhawk Audubon, P.O. Box 3741, Lawrence, KS 66046

Here is my tax deductible donation of \_\_\_\_\_ for the Learning About Nature Project, Eagles Day, Natural History Museum Camp Scholarships, Monarch Tagging Day and other environmental education projects of JAS.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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I am interested in helping with: Eagles Day \_\_\_; Seed Sales \_\_\_; Migratory Bird Day \_\_\_; Earth Day \_\_\_; Monarch tagging \_\_\_; Conservation Projects \_\_\_; Field trips \_\_\_; Refreshments \_\_\_  
Please contact me with information.

*It is that range of biodiversity that we must care for  
—the whole thing—  
rather than just one or two stars.”  
~ David Attenborough*

## August-September Calendar

Topeka Youth Bird Club meets weekends twice a month. Contact Janeen Walters for details: [waltersjaneen@gmail.com](mailto:waltersjaneen@gmail.com)

Free State Prairie Celebration: Sunday, August 20th ~ 6:30 to 8:30 at Free State High School (on the west side).

Join in celebrating 4 years of successful restoration at the Free State Prairie!

*Presentations* by project leaders Helen Alexander, KU and Julie Schwarting, FSHS;

*Thanks for the contributions* of Elizabeth Schultz and Ben Postlethwaite;

*Tours of the prairie* led by botanists Frank Norman and Craig Freeman. The beauty will astonish you.

RSVP's encouraged to [grasslandheritage@gmail.com](mailto:grasslandheritage@gmail.com) or 785-840-8104.

Solar Eclipse Viewing: Monday, 8/21. Visit the KU Physics Dept. site for details on the eclipse viewing event in Lawrence: <http://physics.ku.edu/theeclipseatku>. 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at the Shenk Sports Complex at Iowa and 23rd streets. There will be telescopes and astronomers, children's activities and food trucks. Free eclipse glasses while they last.

\*Remember, it's never safe to look at the sun, even with regular sunglasses. To safely view the eclipse, you need special glasses.

If you want to see totality, you will have to go a little north. See <https://dpcountyks.com/news/eclipse-in-the-heartland-events> for opportunities up in Doniphan County. In Lawrence the sun will be about 99.3% eclipsed.

Talons of Steel ~ Birds of Prey: Sunday, 8/27, 1:30 –2:30 at Prairie Park Nature Center. 2730 Harper. Free.

Wild Alaska: Bob Gress JAS program: Monday 8/28. A great speaker and photographer...not to be missed. Trinity Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, 1245 New Hampshire. 7:30 pm. See page 1 for more information.

Wetlands Plant Walk: Saturday, 9/2, 9:00 am. Meet at Baker Wetlands Discovery Center main parking lot. Led by Roger Boyd. More details on page 1. Visit <https://www.bakeru.edu/wetlands/> for directions.

Wild Adventures: Tuesdays starting 9/5, 10 - 11 a.m. For ages 2-5 and a parent. Stories, activities. *Come prepared to go out doors.* Enroll for the season at [lprd.org](http://lprd.org) or sign up a week in advance of each session on a space available basis. \$4 per session. For more information please call Prairie Park Nature Center, 832-7980.

Monarch Watch Open House: Saturday, September 9, 9:00am-2:00pm. Foley Hall, KU West Campus. Free. Refreshments. Celebrate migrating monarchs coming from the north. Honey bee observation hive, tarantulas, white monarchs, garden and lab tours, hands-on activities, games, videos and, of course, lots of monarch caterpillars, chrysalises, and butterflies! Details at <http://monarchwatch.org/openhouse/>

Tooth & Claw: Thursday, 9/14, 6:30 pm. Celebrate KU Paleontology and a new baby *T. rex*. KU Natural History Museum. Free event, but ticket required. Get ticket at <https://biodiversity.ku.edu/visit/events>. Must be 21 years old to attend.

Monarch Butterfly Tagging Event: Saturday, 9/16, 8:00am-12:00pm. Baker Wetlands Discovery Center, 1365 N. 1250 Rd. Free, all-ages, public event sponsored by Monarch Watch, Jayhawk Audubon Society and the Baker Wetlands Discovery Center. No charge to participants and no experience is necessary - tags, nets, instruction, and refreshments provided. Complete details at <http://monarchwatch.org/tag-event/>

Hidden Valley Cabin and Garden Workday: Sunday, 9/17, 1:00—3:00 pm. Help keep up the camp. check the Facebook page to see what's going on or email [durandi@sunflower.com](mailto:durandi@sunflower.com) to rsvp and for questions.

In the “you never know what you might find, because birds have wings” category, a Brown Booby was reported in Southwest Kansas last week. This is a bird found worldwide in tropical seas. It nests on islands and makes its living fishing as the webbed feet might predict. Usually you have to go to the Dry Tortugas off Florida to see one in the United States.

It was spotted sitting on a non-working wind tower by a wind turbine technician who recognized that it was something unusual, took a picture, and sent it to KDWPT. Soon it was reported to the KSBIRDS list and some birders went searching, but it has not been seen again as of newsletter press time. We can hope that it headed back to southern climes and is safe at home, perhaps in the Gulf of Mexico.

Brown Booby.  
Wikipedia.



# ALASKA

Arctic Ocean

## Find Alaska on this map →

1. Hint: It doesn't touch any other state in the USA. It has oceans on 3 sides and Canada on the 4th side.
2. Or get an atlas-a book of maps-and look up Alaska. Label it on this map.
3. Find and mark Nome, Alaska.



4. Find Kansas in the center of the USA. Mark Lawrence on the map.
5. Now use the mileage scale to the left of the map to figure out how far it is from Lawrence To Nome. Easiest to use a ruler.
6. Just measure "as the crow flies." That means: don't worry about roads or borders. Just draw a straight line. (Although birds don't really fly in an exact straight line, do they? Something to think about!)

600 miles = 1/2 inch

### ANSWER ↓

Lawrence, Kansas is about 3,250 miles from Nome, Alaska.

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## Which Creature Doesn't Live In Alaska's Arctic?



Eagle



Mosquito



Polar Bear



Penguin



Crab



Wolf



Seal



Brown Bear

Grizzly bears are a type of brown bear.

### Answer: Which creature doesn't live in Alaska's arctic ↓

The Penguin! Most penguins live at the other end of the world in the **ANTARCTIC**. (Check an atlas again!) Some species also live on the southern western coast of Africa, South American coasts, and the farthest north, in the Galapagos Islands off the coast of Ecuador in the cool waters of the Humboldt Current.

### ← Which of these creatures live in Kansas too?

(If you're stumped go to <http://www.gpnc.org/>, the Great Plains Nature Center website, and click "flora and fauna".)

### ANSWER ↓

Bald Eagles & Mosquitoes. Before Europeans settled here, wolves and grizzly bears also roamed the land we now call Kansas.

# Species List for the 2017 Jayhawk Audubon Birdathon 175!

Canada Goose  
Wood Duck  
Gadwall  
American Wigeon  
Mallard  
Blue-winged Teal  
Northern Shoveler  
Green-winged Teal  
Ring-necked Duck  
Lesser Scaup  
Bufflehead  
Northern Bobwhite  
Ring-necked Pheasant  
Wild Turkey  
Pied-billed Grebe  
Horned Grebe  
Rock Pigeon  
Eurasian Collared-Dove  
Mourning Dove  
Common Nighthawk  
Chimney Swift  
Ruby-throated Hummingbird  
Virginia Rail  
Sora

American Coot  
American Avocet  
Semipalmated Plover  
Killdeer  
Upland Sandpiper  
Dunlin  
Baird's Sandpiper  
Least Sandpiper  
White-rumped Sandpiper  
Pectoral Sandpiper  
Semipalmated Sandpiper  
Long-billed Dowitcher  
Spotted Sandpiper  
Solitary Sandpiper  
Greater Yellowlegs

Willet  
Lesser Yellowlegs  
Wilson's Phalarope  
Franklin's Gull  
Ring-billed Gull  
Caspian Tern  
Black Tern  
Forster's Tern  
Double-crested Cormorant  
American Bittern  
Least Bittern  
Great Blue Heron  
Great Egret  
Little Blue Heron  
Green Heron  
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron  
White-faced Ibis  
Turkey Vulture  
Bald Eagle  
Cooper's Hawk

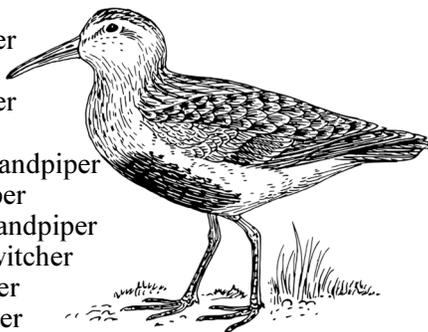
Red-shouldered Hawk  
Swainson's Hawk  
Red-tailed Hawk  
Great Horned Owl  
Barred Owl  
Belted Kingfisher  
Red-headed Woodpecker  
Red-bellied Woodpecker  
Downy Woodpecker  
Hairy Woodpecker  
Northern Flicker  
Pileated Woodpecker  
American Kestrel  
Merlin  
Eastern Wood-Pewee  
Acadian Flycatcher  
Alder Flycatcher  
Willow Flycatcher  
Least Flycatcher  
Eastern Phoebe  
Great Crested Flycatcher  
Western Kingbird  
Eastern Kingbird  
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher



**Swainson's Hawk**

White-eyed Vireo  
Bell's Vireo  
Yellow-throated Vireo  
Blue-headed Vireo  
Philadelphia Vireo  
Warbling Vireo  
Red-eyed Vireo  
Blue Jay  
American Crow  
Horned Lark  
Purple Martin  
Tree Swallow  
Northern Rough-winged Swallow  
Bank Swallow  
Cliff Swallow  
Barn Swallow  
Black-capped Chickadee  
Tufted Titmouse  
White-breasted Nuthatch  
House Wren  
Sedge Wren  
Marsh Wren  
Carolina Wren  
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher  
Ruby-crowned Kinglet  
Eastern Bluebird  
Gray-cheeked Thrush  
Swainson's Thrush  
Wood Thrush  
American Robin  
Gray Catbird  
Brown Thrasher  
Northern Mockingbird  
European Starling

Cedar Waxwing  
House Sparrow  
House Finch  
American Goldfinch  
Ovenbird  
Northern Waterthrush  
Black-and-white Warbler  
Prothonotary Warbler  
Tennessee Warbler  
Orange-crowned Warbler  
Nashville Warbler  
Kentucky Warbler  
Common Yellowthroat  
American Redstart  
Cape May Warbler  
Northern Parula  
Bay-breasted Warbler  
Yellow Warbler  
Chestnut-sided Warbler  
Blackpoll Warbler  
Palm Warbler  
Yellow-rumped Warbler  
Yellow-throated Warbler  
Black-throated Green Warbler  
Wilson's Warbler  
Yellow-breasted Chat  
Eastern Towhee  
Chipping Sparrow  
Clay-colored Sparrow  
Field Sparrow  
Lark Sparrow  
Savannah Sparrow  
Grasshopper Sparrow  
Henslow's Sparrow  
LeConte's Sparrow  
Song Sparrow  
Lincoln's Sparrow  
Swamp Sparrow  
White-throated Sparrow  
Harris's Sparrow  
White-crowned Sparrow  
Summer Tanager  
Scarlet Tanager  
Northern Cardinal  
Rose-breasted Grosbeak  
Blue Grosbeak  
Indigo Bunting  
Painted Bunting  
Dickcissel  
Bobolink  
Red-winged Blackbird  
Eastern Meadowlark  
Yellow-headed Blackbird  
Common Grackle  
Great-tailed Grackle  
Brown-headed Cowbird  
Orchard Oriole  
Baltimore Oriole



Dunlin in breeding plumage. Open clipart.

Check out Jeff Hansen's close-up video of a Dunlin preening:

<https://youtu.be/aLr9VY0ZqWA>

# The Home Place: Memoirs of a Colored Man's Love Affair With Nature

Author: J. Drew Lanham

Reviewer: Shirley Braunlich

Being nearby to see a bird in flight can be a transcendent experience. The sensation of watching a bird flying overhead has inspired me to simulate my own flight, standing with my arms raised high. And this seems most powerful in a wide-open natural area like the Haskell-Baker Wetlands—in the presence of many red-winged blackbirds.

I've become more aware recently that most other people out on the nature trails have white skin like me. Author J. Drew Lanham poetically describes the phenomenon of uncommon black or brown companion birders.

His recent book, [\*The Home Place: Memoirs of a Colored Man's Love Affair With Nature\*](#), shares lyrically-written storytelling of deep connections to family, his strong sense of place, a passion for nature, optimism and wit along with the frustration of being the singular African American ornithologist in a predominantly white field. Lanham is an Alumni Distinguished Professor of Wildlife Ecology and Master Teacher at Clemson University in South Carolina; he's also a poet, naturalist, hunter, and birder. "Birding While Black" is a poignant chapter in Lanham's book reflecting fears similar to the negative experiences expressed by the phrase "driving while black". A black man risks being accused of suspicious activity simply for being out in a remote environment.

Lanham writes:

*In remote places fear has always accompanied binoculars, scopes, and field guides as baggage. ...a white supremacist group [was] "organized" in the mountains of western North Carolina, near the places I was supposed to do a research project. They'd made the national news in stories that showed them worshipping Hitler and shooting at targets that looked like Martin Luther King Jr. Someone at the university joked about my degree being awarded posthumously. So though the proposal had been written and the project was well on its way to being funded—and as potentially groundbreaking the research on rose-breasted grosbeaks, golden-winged warblers, and forest management in the Southern Appalachians might be—I had to abandon the whole thing.*

He continues:

*I look at maps through this lens—at the places where tolerance seems to thrive, and where hate and racism seem to fester—and think about where I want to be. Mostly those places jibe with my desires to be in the wild but sometimes they don't.*

*The wild things and places belong to all of us. So while I can't fix the bigger problems of race in the United States—can't suggest a means by which I, and others like me, will always feel safe—I can prescribe a solution in my own small corner. Get more people of color "out there." Turn oddities into commonplace. The presence of more black birders, wildlife biologists, hunters, hikers, and fisher-folk will say to others that we, too, appreciate the warble of a summer tanager, the incredible instincts of a whitetail buck, and the sound of wind in the tall pines. Our responsibility is to pass something on to those coming after. As young people of color reconnect with what so many of their ancestors knew—that our connections to the land run deep, like the taproots of mighty oaks, that the land renews and sustains us—maybe things will begin to change.*

*I'm hoping that soon a black birder won't be a rare sighting. I'm hoping that at some point I'll see color sprinkled throughout a birding-festival crowd. I'm hoping for the day when young hotshot birders just happen to be black like me. These hopes brighten the darkness of past experiences.*

Lanham is a terrific ambassador to inspire more people to enjoy the natural world, yet he also recognizes the empowerment shared by people with similar cultural experiences. He has created several entertaining short videos to advocate his mission of diversifying the community of naturalists; one of my favorites is witty-satire "Bird-Watching While Black: A Wildlife Ecologist Shares His Tips," produced by BirdNote and featured in National Geographic Society's Short Film Showcase. Here's the link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aaPWAE34GJU>.

This book is a rallying cry to all of us to be ambassadors to bring more kids and adults together from diverse communities to explore and connect with natural places—to imagine flight and experience transcendence with the birds. As a Board Member and volunteer with Kansas Native Plant Society, I have organized and attended many outings over the last 17 years; almost all the folks who have joined me have been white. I will be reaching out to be more inclusive in planning future events.

I crave being outside in nature, but I was well into my 30s before I first enjoyed a wild environment. I wish someone had taken me under their wing to share wild places when I was a kid. I'll be following J. Drew Lanham's lead; when I visit a natural area I'll respectfully invite new & old friends of different ages, varied hues and diverse origins to come along. I hope you'll join me in this practice, and we'll exponentially increase the advocates for the natural world!

-Shirley Braunlich is a Readers' Services Assistant at Lawrence Public Library and a long-time member of Jayhawk Audubon.

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Tufted Puffin. St. Paul Island, Alaska. By Bob Gress.  
See more of Bob's stunning photos of Alaskan wildlife at the JAS meeting on August, 28th.

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