

March - 2015



<u>MEETINGS</u> 1. Members' Meeting Tuesday, Jan. 20th, 2015

<u>**Denis</u>** presented us with a history of our Camp River project using some early slides.</u>

Lee brought a charming winter wren's nest – in a flower pot! And **Janne** talked about the Swallow Conservation Project and the need for record keeping. She used her photos of various types of swallows.



Christine findswhat she wants! Our silent auction netted \$78.55...

2. Tuesday, Feb. 17th, 2015

The library was filled with Valentine hearts as *Dr. Jonathan Hughes*



ably informed us about our "new epoch" and attempted to answer the guestion"When did the

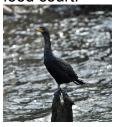


Anthropocene epoch begin?" He described his work at Lake Eroch and we enjoyed a lively discussion following his statement that:

we just don't know what's going to happen next!

FIELD TRIPS 1.Fish Trap Creek Park Monday February 16th

A beautiful spring day, saw 5 of us enjoy the Indian Plums, Mahonia, and Skunk Cabbage sprouting leaves and blooming. We noted 30 bird species—a count of 532! Afterwards we lunched at the Mall food court.





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2. McDonald Dyke Saturday, February 28th

A warm and sunny day for our walk past the historic tobacco drying huts. 24 species noted-including a yellow-

rumped warbler and several kinds of ducks. Lunch at the old-fashioned Clayburn Tea Room followed.



Red-tailed Hawk

<u>This 'n That</u>

Our executive is working hard to plan next year's budget, fund raise, find ways to increase our membership, and use Val Whetter's generous gift wisely.

Don't forget our *First Annual Val Whetter Memorial Lecture* in April. We have an exciting speaker coming and are accepting donations at the event. Do let your friends know about it.

