

*The*  
***Pine Warbler***

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**Piney Woods Wildlife Society October 2021 Newsletter**



*Happy Fall to All!*

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*Collage of Doug Hiser's art.*

## **October PWWS Program Moved to Wednesday 10/13/21**

**6:30 PM Social Time / 7 PM Program**

**Hybrid Meeting - In-Person AND on Zoom**

The October PWWS program will be a presentation by local artist and author Doug Hiser and his wildlife photographer wife Gayln. Doug and Gayln will show us wildlife photos and fabulous wildlife art from Africa, Australia, Galapagos and beyond as well as entertain us with stories from their travels.

The date of the October program had to be moved a week early because of a conflict with early voting happening at the Big Stone Lodge. The program will be on Wednesday, October 13, instead of the 20th, at 7 p.m. Arrive early at 6:30 p.m. for social time.

PWWS has decided that the October program will be in a Hybrid format -- we will have BOTH an in-person meeting at Dennis Johnston's Big Stone Lodge AND we will have a Zoom virtual option as well for those not comfortable being in groups yet. So, if you are ready to attend in-person, please join us at 6:30 p.m. for social time or at 7 p.m. for the meeting. The Covid rules at the Lodge do not allow anyone to bring in pot luck dishes yet. We are only allowed to serve commercially pre-packaged foods and sealed drinks. So, DO NOT BRING those scrumptious desserts and appetizers just yet! We'll let you know when that is allowed.

Doug Hiser is a signature member of Artist for Conservation, the top Wildlife Artists from 30 countries, is an author of 25 books, including Amazon bestsellers, *The Honey Bee Girl* and *Montana Mist*, and *Ten Secrets of Love* and 2020 novel *Midnight Jungle*. He travels the globe, from Africa to Australia, in search of the wild beasts that he paints. Teaching High School Arts, after years of research, he has developed an art history program the Amazon book, *Teaching Art History in the HS Classroom*. Judging art shows, art demos and painting murals and public art, among some of the notable pieces, the Santa Fe Indians Ten Feathers mural at City Hall commemorating the people who lost their lives in the tragic event, the Silent Skies mural of endangered Birds, The Houston Audubon fifty foot Bird Mural, Houston Rodeo Boot, "Rodeo Bulls" displayed at NRG stadium and Galveston's two Turtle Sculptures, Brazoria Nature Center Murals, Mermaid sculptures in San Marcos and Wimberley Boot Public Art. He once claimed fame on the America Gladiators TV Show and is most proud of his University of Houston Distinguished Alumni Award. Doug's web site: <https://www.doughiser.com/>



*More of Doug Hiser's art. Collage by Doug Hiser*



*Grey Crowned Crane. Photo by Gayln Hiser*



**Oops -- Did You Miss Gary Clark's Program?**

**by Claire Moore**

We thoroughly enjoyed the talk by Gary Clark on Bird Intelligence at September's PWWS meeting. Very interesting!

I heard there were a couple of people who couldn't get connected or forgot about the meeting. If you missed this presentation by Gary Clark & are interested in seeing it, here is a link to the Zoom recording.

Topic: PWWS Sept Pgm by Gary Clark on Bird Intelligence

Start Time : Sep 15, 2021 06:21 PM

[Meeting Recording](#)

Enjoy!

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Live for the moments  
that bring memories to your  
heart and joy to your day.



Happy Fall  
Y'all

May each new  
day bring you  
sunshine,  
peace, love  
and laughter.

Kelly's Treehouse

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### **Note from PWWS President**

Fall is here or almost here. It's been another difficult year for many of us. For our October meeting we had to change the date to October 13th because of the early voting at the Lodge. We are going to try a hybrid meeting. Those that feel comfortable to meet in person please plan to attend. We will social distance and wear masks . Also the Lodge currently requires any snacks to be individually wrapped and drinks also . No more pot luck, so sorry. We will have bottled water and some individual snacks. For those that cannot attend we will provide a Zoom link. Once again we thank Claire Moore for providing the Zoom

connection facilitation for us.

Things are getting better, let's just hang in there.

Enjoy the fall weather and all the wonderful nature of this time of year.

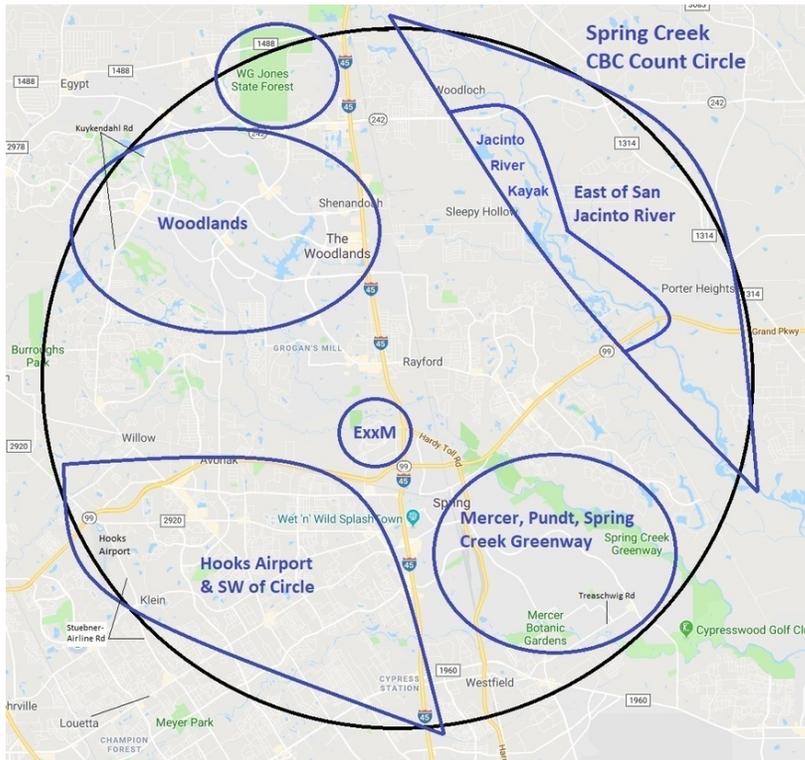
Kathy, Your President

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## CBC in Search of Hummingbirds

by Claire Moore

We are getting closer and closer to Christmas Bird Count time. Our Spring Creek CBC will be held on Saturday, December 18th. There are two ways to help -- join one of five teams birding in the count circle or, if you live in the circle, you can count birds at your feeders. [Yes, again this year, we will be taking into account all the county's Covid suggestions like social distancing.]

One bird we always need help locating is our winter hummingbirds, like the Rufous Hummingbird. So, I'm reaching out to our membership to see if anyone knows of a yard in the count circle (see map above) where someone is seeing some winter hummingbirds. If so, please send me their contact information so I can see if they are available to be a "feeder watcher" for our CBC on December 18th.

Please email me at [cdmoore3i@gmail.com](mailto:cdmoore3i@gmail.com) if you might be interested in helping in either way with our CBC or know of someone who might be interested in being a "feeder watcher". We need lots of help!

Also, there are MANY other CBCs near the Houston area and in other locations throughout Texas. The Houston Audubon has a nice web site with information on all the CBCs available to us. Have a look and go to other CBCs and explore birds in other areas.



*Rufous Hummingbird. Photo by Jim Holly*



*Red-breasted Nuthatch. Photo by Greg Kelleher*



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## TIME TO HEAD SOUTH

By Cheryl Conley



*Broad-winged hawk (Buteo platypterus) - Photo by Cheryl Conley*

With temperatures still soaring in our area, it's hard to think about fall but birds know it's time for their fall migration. So, exactly how do they know? There are a number of factors. One way is the angle of the sun. Days are growing shorter

and we have fewer hours of daylight. Summer crops are becoming scarce and less food is available. In the fall, baby birds are now mature enough to be on their own so Mom no longer has to tend to the youngsters. The location of the birds is important as well. Arctic birds may begin migrating as early as July while those closer to the equator start migrating in late September.

Although rare in the Greater Houston area, it is not unheard of to see a Broad-winged hawk (*Buteo platypterus*) in the Houston area. These raptors have chunky bodies and a small reddish-brown head. Their tails are black and white striped similar to a raccoon's tail. The undersides of the wings are bordered in dark brown. These hawks live in forests and spend the majority of their time under the canopy of the trees. Here they look for small animals to hunt.

The female typically lays 2 or 3 eggs and the incubation is almost exclusively taken care of by Mom. The male will bring food to her while she's tending to the eggs. Mom takes care of the young for the first 1 to 2 weeks after hatching and the male continues to deliver food for her and the young. Mom gets a break once the babies are a little older when Dad pitches in. At 5 to 6 weeks, the young are able to fly.

Almost all Broad-winged hawks migrate in the fall to Central and South America. A great place to see these raptors as they make their way south is at Smith Point on Galveston Bay's eastern shore. Smith Point features a land form that funnels the birds into a migration corridor. At peak migration periods, thousands of birds can be seen in one day. Broad-winged hawks make up approximately 70% of the birds traveling this route.

Beginning on August 15th and running through November 30th, the Gulf Coast Bird Observatory keeps a daily raptor count at Smith Point called the Smith Point Hawk Watch. A watch tower has been constructed for this purpose and is open to the public from 8am to 4pm. Staff and volunteers are at the watch tower to talk with visitors and answer questions. There are scopes and binoculars so visitors can get a better view of the birds.

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Photos by Sandy Crystal-Vaughn



*Ruby-throated Hummingbird hovering at feeder! Backyard Clear Lake City (Houston) Texas - Photo by*



*Ruby-throated hummingbird nectaring from the well of a Incense Passionvine bloom! Backyard Clear Lake City (Houston) Texas - Photo by Sandy Crystal-Vaughn*



*Mr. Five O'clock Shadow with one full gorget feather so far! Immature Ruby-throated Hummingbird on his perch in the backyard. Clear Lake City (Houston) Texas - Photo by Sandy Crystal-Vaughn*



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*Broad-striped Forceptail Dragonfly at Linda S. Castro Nature Sanctuary - Photo by Sandy Crystal-Vaughn*



SCV 2021

*Pokeweed/Pokeberry at Compass Rose Park - Photo by Sandy Crystal-Vaughn*



*The large Brazilian/Canna Skipper nectaring on Esperanza. This was the butterfly of the day. Where Esperanza was blooming, there were swarms of Brazilian/Canna Skippers! - Photo by Sandy Crystal-Vaughn*



*Golden-silk Orb Weaver Spider; it was glowing in the morning light at Linda S. Castro Nature Sanctuary! 9-18-2021 - Photo by Sandy Crystal-Vaughn*

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*The Fox and Spice*

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**Photo by Carlos Hernandez**



*I used the garage as a background, shot from outside the garage with the sun on my back. Had to exp. compensation -2. The evaluative meter gets fooled by the dark background. This is the beauty of the mirrorless system. YSWYG. No more histogram guessing. One LED light provided catch light and texture to the plumage of the hummingbird. Canon R6, no crop. The birds allowed me to get within 6 feet. 500mm (Rf100-500mm) Fv mode: Auto ISO 2500, f/13, shutter speed 1/2500" Looks like a Christmas card. Photo by Carlos Hernandez*



**CREATOR'S CANVAS/BONAPARTE'S GULLS!**

## Photos by Wayne Easley



*Bonaparte's Gulls - Photo by Wayne Easley*

A phone call from our good friend Larry Jones alerted us that Bonaparte's Gulls were passing through his area. We were quick to go check out the nice find. The promise of award winning photos awaited!

Bonaparte's Gulls are quite small, in fact they are the third smallest of the world's gulls. Many observers notice they appear almost tern-like at first glance. While on the journey north to the Boreal Forests of Alaska and Canada, these dainty gulls form small groups and are constantly searching for productive feeding areas. They spend a lot of time dipping and diving for food at the edges of inland lakes and the numerous potholes in the Great Plains. In fact, they seem to enjoy the turbulent weather which creates choppy waters. They are adept at diving for small fish and hawking flying insects over the water, often appearing to be in constant motion.

Mostly white and gray, these diminutive gulls have a black head and red legs during spring migration and while they are on the breeding grounds. They retain the striking breeding plumage throughout the summer, as seen in all of the photos below. However during the fall they lose their vivid breeding colors, keeping only a black smudge behind each eye. The sexes are similar with the male birds being slightly larger than the females.

When the gulls finally arrive on the breeding grounds in early June, they

perform elaborate courtship displays. After pairs have sufficiently bonded they begin to search out nesting sites. They prefer to nest in open areas, usually on islands or riverbanks where the trees are not so bunched together. Amazingly they are the only gull species that nest in trees. Almost without exception, the nest tree will be a type of conifer. The nest itself is made of sticks, bark, various lichens and moss. The female will deposit between two to four eggs and unlike many other birds, Bonaparte's have only one brood per year. Since their breeding grounds are so far north, there are many details we still do not know about these unique gulls. With that in mind, I encourage you to try and find them as they migrate through your area. Good birding!

Wayne Easley/written in Harvey, North Dakota/May 3, 2021

PICTURES; IMAGES WERE TAKEN BY WAYNE AND STEVEN EASLEY  
NEAR HURDSFIELD, NORTH DAKOTA



*Bonaparte's Gulls - Photo by Wayne Easley*



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## **Red-spotted Purple's Lifecycle**

**Photos by Hugh Wedgeworth**



*Red-spotted Purple - Limenitis arthemis - egg found on Black Cherry - Photo by Hugh Wedgeworth*



*Red-spotted Purple Caterpillar - Photo by Hugh Wedgeworth*



*Red-spotted Purple Caterpillar - Photo by Hugh Wedgeworth*



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*Red-spotted Purple Caterpillar - Photo by Hugh Wedgeworth*



*Red-spotted Purple Caterpillar - Photo by Hugh Wedgeworth*



*Red-spotted Purple Adult - Photo by Hugh Wedgeworth*

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**Fun Day at The Woodlands Landscapes Solutions  
BEST (Butterfly Enthusiasts of Southeast Texas)**



Photo by Tiletia O'Connor



Anita Tiller, Hugh Wedgeworth and Jonathan Henderson - Photo by Diane Wedgeworth



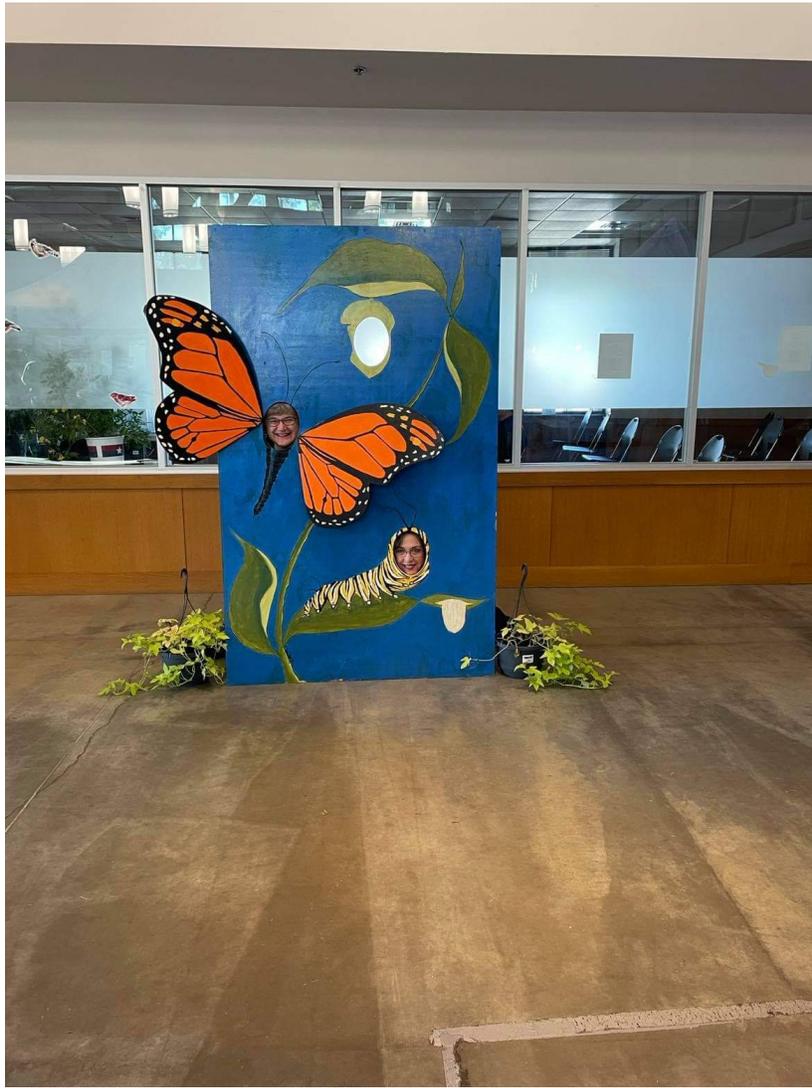
Visiting with the public, and sharing information on raising caterpillars. Our friends Tiletia O'Connor and Edge Henderson jumped in to help out.



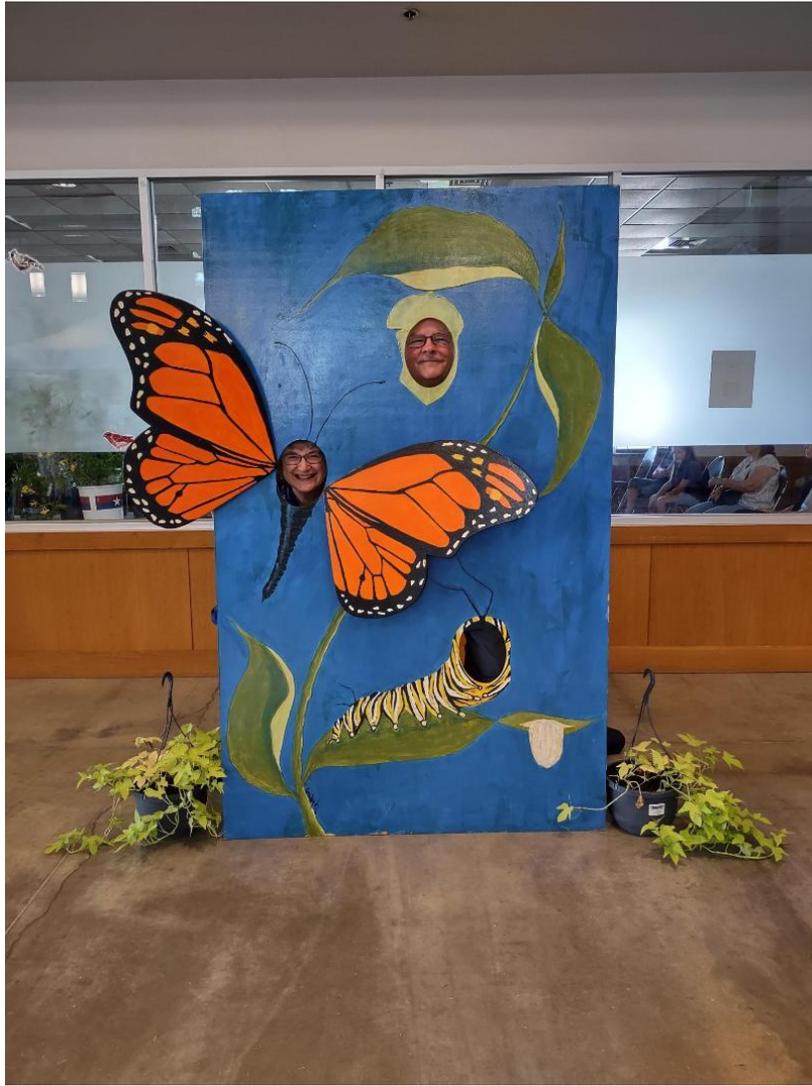
*Hugh Wedgeworth and Jonathan Henderson - Photo by Diane Wedgeworth*



*Our youngest new Jr. Master Naturalist Jonathan Henderson - Photo by Diane Wedgeworth*



*Diane Wedgeworth and Tilletia O'Connor*



*Hugh Wedgeworth and Diane Wedgeworth*



*The Henderson's - Photo by Diane Wedgeworth*



*Edge Diane & Tiletia - Photo by Hugh Wedgeworth*



*Photo by Hugh Wedgeworth*

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## **Busy Raising and Releasing Hundreds of Monarchs Diane & Hugh Wedgeworth**



*Monarch caterpillars - Photo by Diane Wedgeworth*



*Giant Milkweed - Calotropis gigantea - Photo by Diane Wedgeworth*



*Monarch chrysalis's - Photo by Hugh Wedgeworth*



*Monarchs drying their wings. Photo by Hugh Wedgeworth*



Monarch is ready to fly. - Photo by Hugh Wedgeworth



*Autumn Blessings!*

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## Dragonflies & Hummingbirds

By Paul Gregg



*Ruby-throated Hummingbird female - Photo by Paul Gregg*

Hello!

I've been having some interesting photo moments in my backyard over a number of days. The Blue Dasher Dragonfly was sitting on the tip of one of our shepherd hooks and I decided to see if I could catch it in flight. I didn't count the number of empty or out of focus photos I had to discard, but believe me, there were a LOT. You can see below that I had to increase the speed to 1/8000 of a second to get a few decent shots. I had been looking for hummingbirds to come to our Mexican Firecracker (that's what we call it) plant so I could get some photos that didn't involve a hummingbird feeder. The hummingbirds were not cooperative, so I noticed this Blue Dasher (1.1" to 1.7" long) and watched it as it would light on the tip, stay for a long period, then it would fly off a few feet away and return. So when one subject doesn't cooperate, look for another subject!

The hummingbirds are migrating through and we've had increasing numbers, and we've enjoyed watching them in their territorial battles over our feeders. The photos (camera settings below) have been a challenge as I was not using a flash on any of the enclosed photos. Because most of the photos were taken very late in the day, I set the highest the ISO (set on "auto ISO") would be allowed was 12,800 and you can see two of them went the maximum. Processing such high ISO photos was a challenge, but I was surprised to obtain a couple pretty good shots.

We bought more plants the other day that attract them, and I'm hoping for some photos in better light in the next few days. If you haven't already put your hummingbird feeders up, get them up!

For photographers in my "peeps" list, I have shown the camera settings (all at 500mm) that were in the camera when the photo was taken. All photos processed in Adobe Lightroom CC, and Topaz DeNoise AI and/or Sharpen AI. Canon Mirrorless R6 with RF100-500L Lens, on an Induro Tripod and Induro GHBA Gimbal Head.

Enjoy,

Paul Gregg, SMSGT, USAF (Ret.)

"Everyone likes birds. What wild creature is more accessible to our eyes and ears, as close to us and everyone in the world, as universal as a bird." —David Attenborough

Included JPGs and camera settings:

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20210911\_6321\_Ruby-throated\_Hummingbird-.jpg ISO 6400, F7.1, 1/5000

20210911\_6331\_Ruby-throated\_Hummingbird-.jpg ISO 12,800, F7.1, 1/5000



*Blue Dasher Dragonfly - Photo by Paul Gregg*



*Blue Dasher Dragonfly - Photo by Paul Gregg*



*Ruby-throated Hummingbird - Photo by Paul Gregg*



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*Ruby-throated Hummingbird - Photo by Paul Gregg*

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## **Laffite's Cove and Rollover Pass - Sept 16, 2021**

**By Paul Gregg**



*Forsters Tern - Photo by Paul Gregg*

Howdy, "Paul's Peeps"!

I have to admit to being a bit backlogged on sending out photos. I'm trying to catch up a little today. Back on Sept. 16, I took off for Laffite's (Lafitte's is also an accepted spelling) Cove, with the plan to also take the Galveston/Bolivar ferry to Hwy 87 in search of shorebirds. When I am headed to Laffite's Cove, I like to drive down 11 mile road to Sportsman Road to see what might show up. The Great Egrets were standing in the marsh and I thought they had a nice pose about them, but I didn't get much else on those roads.

Laffite's Cove was a bit better. As I was walking into the woodsy area, two birders were coming out and told me of some 7 or 8 warblers they had seen. The concrete path within the woods was littered with leaves and sticks having fallen to the recent strong storm that pelted the area. I wasn't as successful as the others, but did see a few birds and photographed the Wilson's Warbler, Chestnut-sided Warbler, and a Black and White Warbler (not attached), as well as a female American Redstart (no photo). I saw others, but they weren't posing for my lens! The Brown Thrasher was in heavy vegetation, and was primping just above me. The Acadian Flycatcher was at the northern edge of the woods.

Yes, the Wilson's and Chestnut-sided stumped me and I had to really dig for the correct identification of the two. When we go out to view and photograph the birds migrating in the fall, we must remember many do not look like they do in the spring.

I didn't stay at Laffite's very long and took the ferry to Bolivar peninsula, driving to what used to be Rollover Pass. The State of Texas filled in the pass a few months ago and what used to be a great fishing spot is now just a small, narrow stream running from the gulf to the bay. BUT. . . there were numbers of shore birds gathered in a group on the beach at the bay side. Most were Black Skimmers, and a good number of terns among them. The day was pretty cloudy and I had to photograph in lower light and couldn't increase shutter speed to get really good flight shots, but I think I got a few acceptable ones. The Forster's, Royal, and Sandwich Terns were a challenge to photograph. The tern that is facing another kept acting as if it was begging its mother to feed it, but I'm not sure about that. Some gulls came in and spooked the gathering and the skimmers all took off, but circled back a few minutes after taking flight.

All in all it was a pretty good afternoon. In a few days I'll do a follow up or two.

Enjoy,

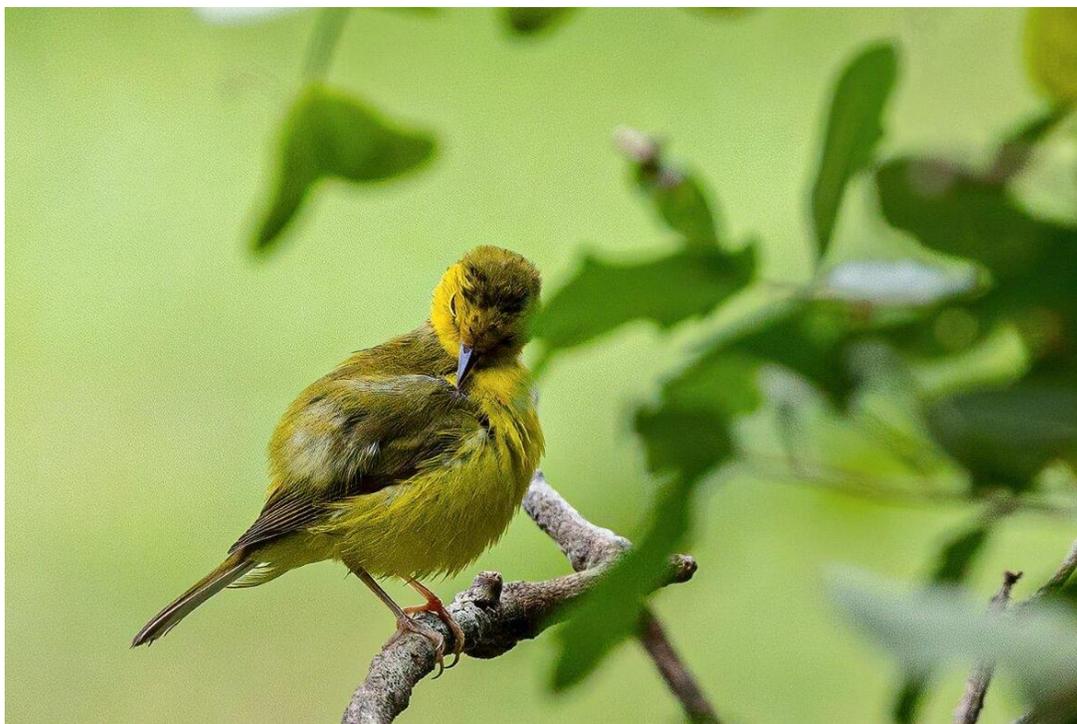
Paul Gregg, SMSGT, USAF (Ret.)

Gen. 1:20: And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving

creature that hath life, and fowl that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven.



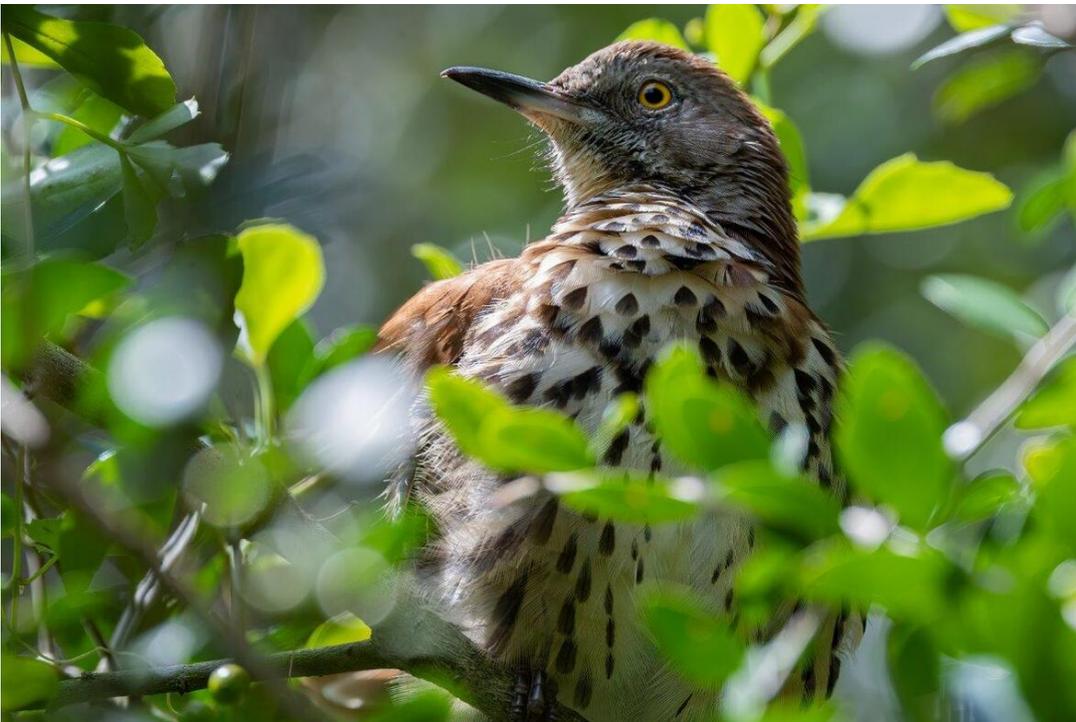
*Great Egret - Photo by Paul Gregg*



*Wilson's Warbler - Photo by Paul Gregg*



*Acadian Flycatcher - Photo by Paul Gregg*



*Brown Thrasher - Photo by Paul Gregg*



*Chestnut-sided Warbler - Photo by Paul Gregg*



*Royal Tern - Photo by Paul Gregg*



*Sandwich Tern - Photo by Paul Gregg*



*Black Skimmers - Photo by Paul Gregg*



*Black Skimmer - Photo by Paul Gregg*

## **September 21, 2021 - Country Visit**

**By Paul Gregg**



*Celys Roadside Skipper - Photo by Paul Gregg*

On Sunday, Sept. 19, Carol and I visited my niece at her property in the Chappell Hill area, northwest of Houston. She has some flowers that the

butterflies and bees were visiting. I had fun trying to photograph the insects as they were going from one flower to another and tried, unsuccessfully to get a good bee in flight photo. Of note are a couple interesting photos.

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5. The photos were taken with my Canon R6 and 100-500 lens, and not with a macro lens.

Enjoy God's wonderful creation with us.

Paul Gregg, SMSGT, USAF (Ret.)

“I have sworn upon the altar of God, eternal hostility against every form of tyranny over the mind of man.” Thomas Jefferson



*Widow Skimmer Dragonfly - Photo by Paul Gregg*



*Gulf Fritillary - Photo by Paul Gregg*



*Gulf Fritillary - Photo by Paul Gregg*



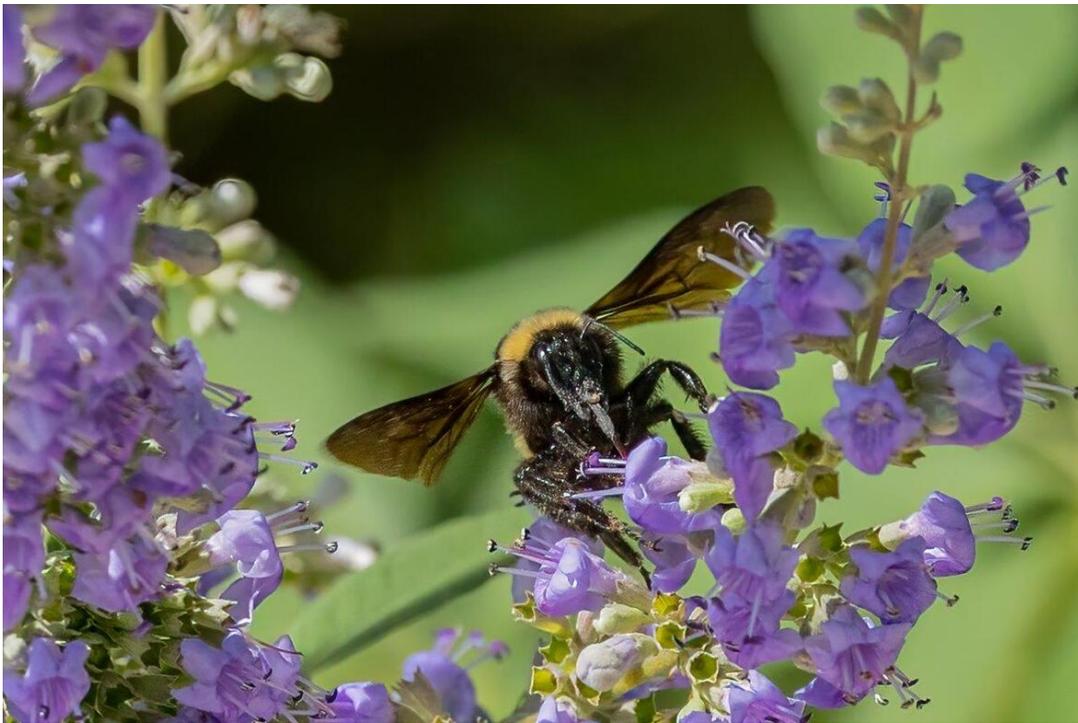
*Giant Swallowtail - Photo by Paul Gregg*



*Bumble Bee - Photo by Paul Gregg*



*American Bumble Bee and Eastern Carpenter Bee - Photo by Paul Gregg*



*Eastern Carpenter Bee - Photo by Paul Gregg*



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## Photos & links from Hank Arnold

<https://hmarnold.smugmug.com/20210723-RBP-Juvenile-Reddish-Egret/>

<https://hmarnold.smugmug.com/20210905-Chester-Island/>

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<https://hmarnold.smugmug.com/20191217-Juv-Night-Herons/>

<https://hmarnold.smugmug.com/POD/20210225-Black-Necked-Stilts/>



*Roseate Spoonbill - Photo by Hank Arnold*



*Juvenile Reddish Egret - Photo by Hank Arnold*



*Juvenile Night Herons - Photo by Hank Arnold*



*Black Necked Stilts - Photo by Hank Arnold*



*Photo by Hank Arnold*



*Pelicans & Terns. Photo by Hank Arnold*



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## Photos by Randy Scott



*Sunset in our neighborhood, two days before the storm. Spectacular in the west and spread across most of the sky. It was better than this but this is all I could muster into one photo at the time. I thought we were not going to even have a good sunset. Then I glanced outside and the sky popped and was suddenly orange-red. - 9-15-2021 - Photo by Randy Scott*



*Gray Fox at the resort. He waits for food scraps from the kitchen after dark. His whole family was near our cabin. We could not count the little ones because they were hiding from us. We were doing the photography together. Bettina brought some food and fed them and shined the light on them while I photographed them with my phone. I accidentally stumbled upon one adult the night before. - 9-18-2021 - Photo by Randy Scott*



Northern Flicker. Photo by Randy Scott



Photo by Randy Scott



Photo by Randy Scott



## Colorado Springs

Photos by Bill Miller



9-18-2021 - CO - Photo by Bill Miller



Bear - Trail in Colorado Springs - Photo by Bill Miller



*White-breasted Nuthatch - 9-19-2021 - Photo by Bill Miller*



*9-16-2021 - Durango, CO - Photo by Bill Miller*



*Sue Miller Checking the flowers at 11,000 ft 9-18-2021 - CO - Photo by Bill Miller*



*Pika - 9-18-2021 - CO - Photo by Bill Miller*



*Pika - 9-18-2021 - CO - Photo by Bill Miller*



*Photo by Bill Miller*

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## **Columbia Trip**

**Photos by Jim Snyder**



*When you get caught in a rain storm without an umbrella, you need to improvise.*



*Moth in La Meseria, Antioquia, Colombia.- Photo by Jim Snyder*



*Moth. — in La Mesenia, Antioquia, Colombia. - Photo by Jim Snyder*



*My computer and luggage was carried out by horse. — in La Mesenia, Antioquia, Colombia. - Photo by Jim Snyder*



*I had to get out of the way for local traffic on this trail. — in La Mesenia, Antioquia, Colombia. - Photo by Jim Snyder*



*Giant tree ferns at 8,780 feet.- Photo by Jim Snyder*



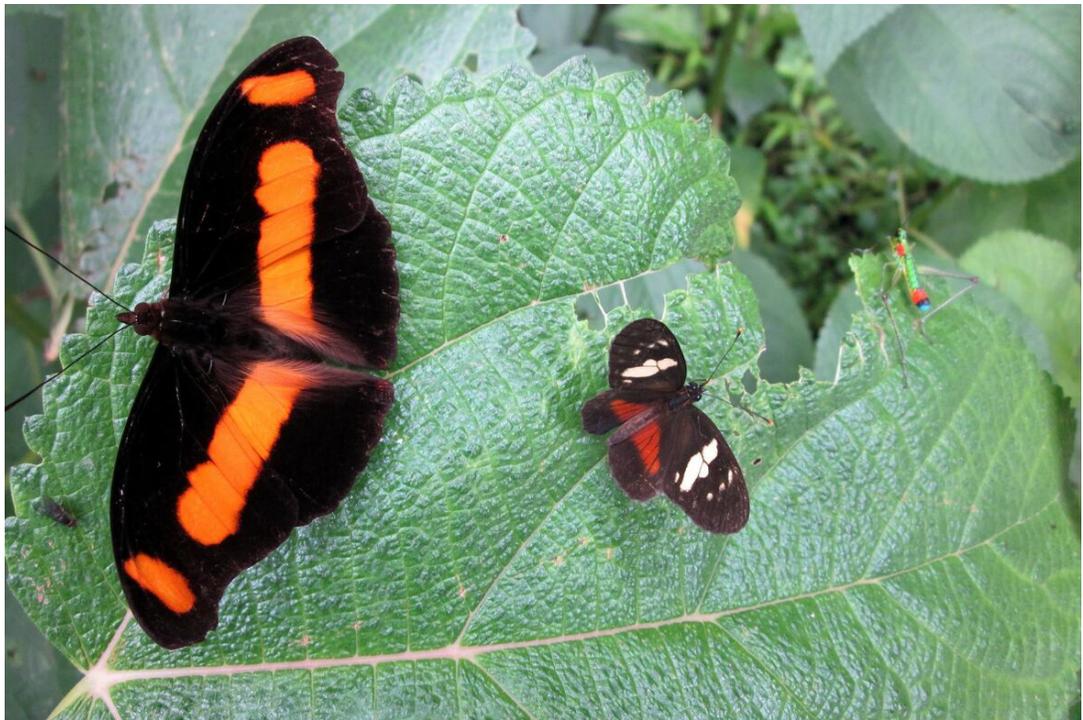
*Coffee country in the department of El Chocó in Colombia. - Photo by Jim Snyder*



*Lancelated Monklet. - Photo by Jim Snyder*



*A Prepona. - Photo by Jim Snyder*



*Photo by Jim Snyder*



*Surreal grasshoppers. - Photo by Jim Snyder*



*Bamboo roots look like giant insects marching.in Jardin Botanico Y Mariposario Del Quindio. - Photo by Jim Snyder*



*Orchids. - Photo by Jim Snyder*



*Photo by Jim Snyder*



*Photo by Jim Snyder*



*Photo by Jim Snyder*



*Pseudohaetera hyphasia* - Photo by Jim Snyder



*Metalmark mimic moth.* - Photo by Jim Snyder



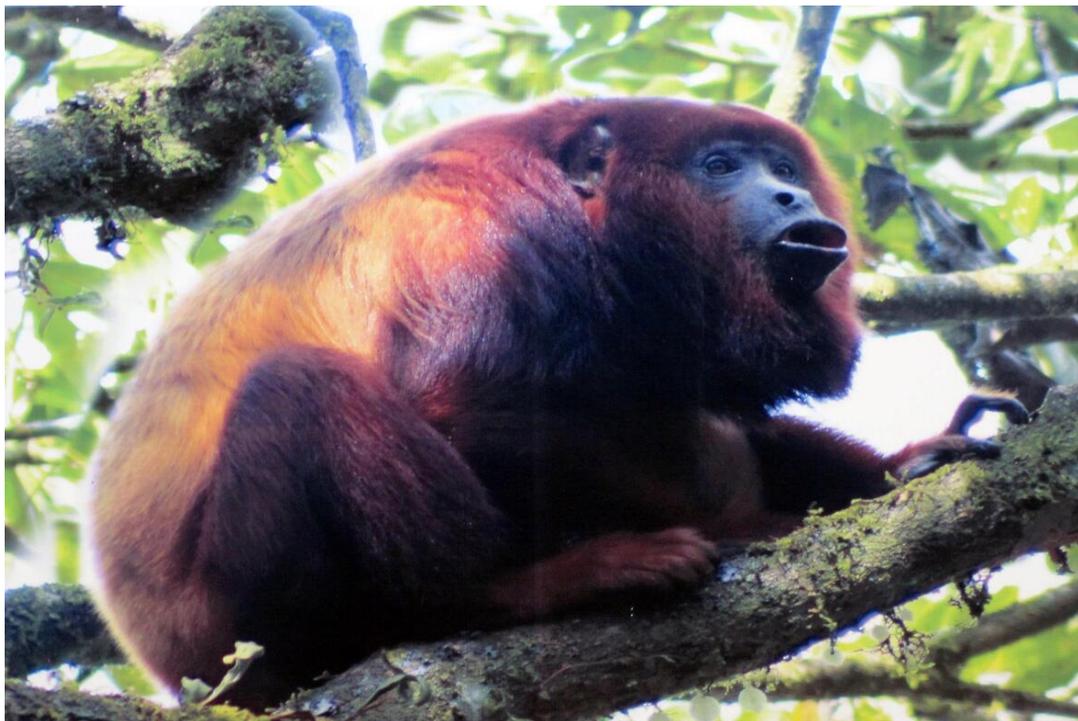
*Night viper. - Photo by Jim Snyder*



*The view from El Mirador de Salento - Photo by Jim Snyder*



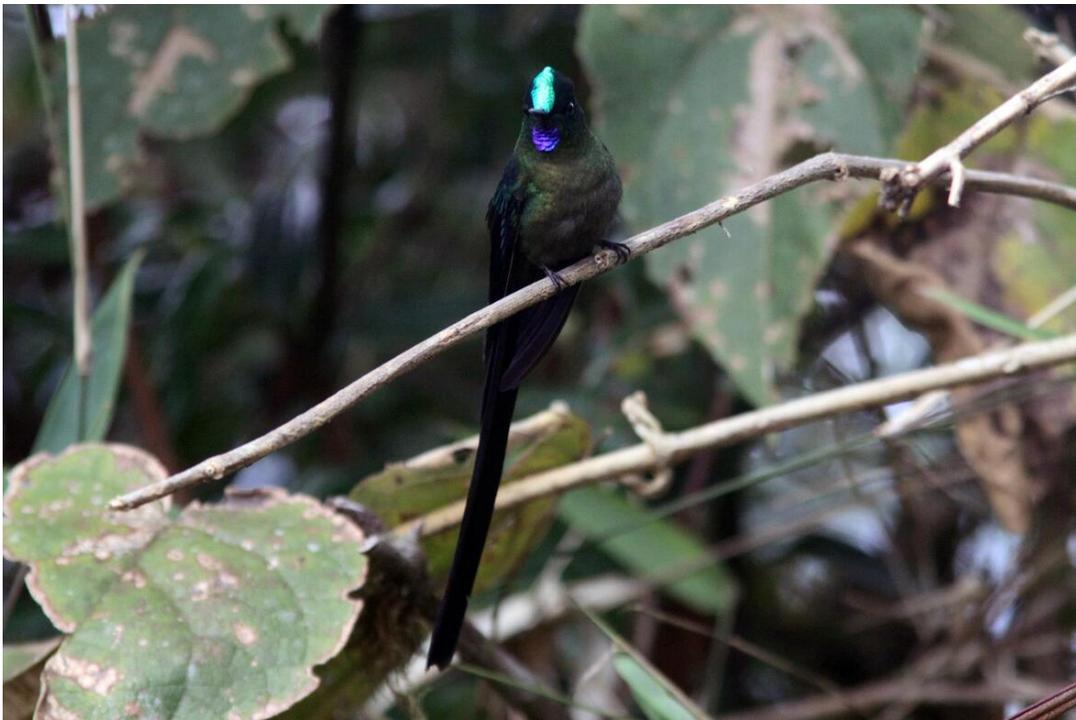
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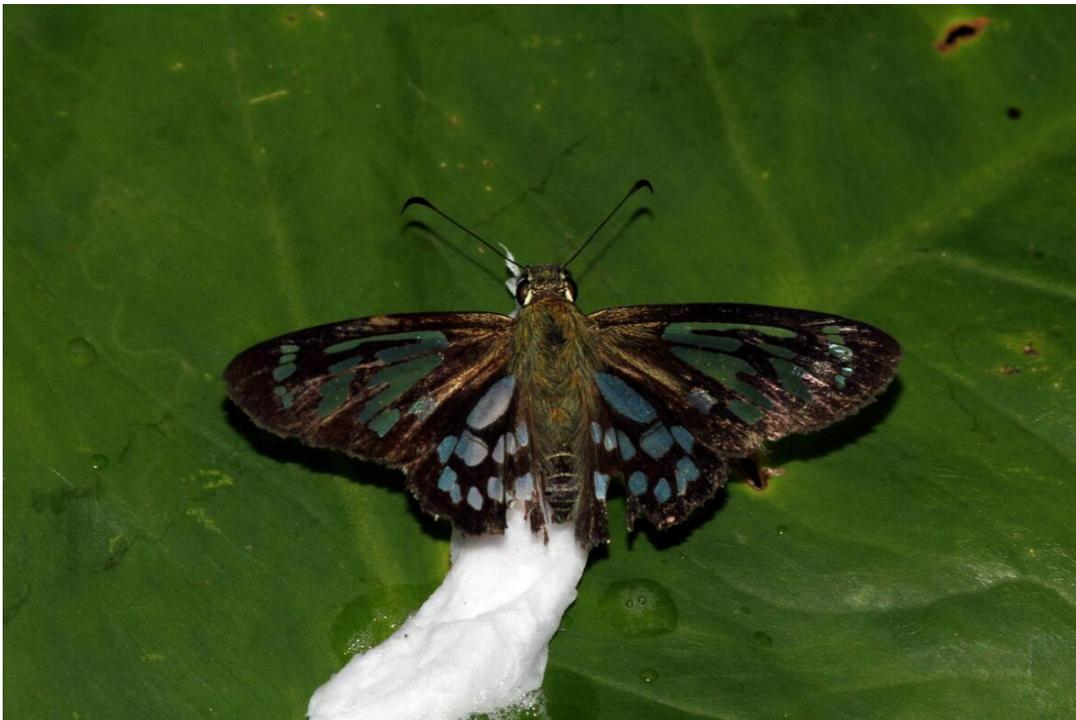
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*Colombian sunset - Photo by Jim Snyder*

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## Big Stone Lodge - Dennis Johnston Park

709 Riley Fuzzel Road

PWWS meetings are held at the Big Stone Lodge at the new Dennis Johnston County

Park at 709 Riley Fuzzel Road.

The directions to get there are much the same as to the Nature Center. Aldine-Westfield turns into Riley Fuzzel Road just northeast of Spring so there are several ways to get there.

1. Take the Rayford/Sawdust exit and go east on Rayford Rd. At Grand Parkway (99), turn right on the Grand Parkway frontage road. Go 2 miles (staying on the frontage road) watching for the Johnston Park sign on your right just before you get to the Hardy Toll Road overpass; or,
2. Take Louetta Road east from I45 to where it deadends into Aldine-Westfield. Turn left on Aldine-Westfield until it deadends into Riley Fuzzel Road. Turn right onto Riley Fuzzel Road and go only 0.5 miles to the park entrance on your left just after passing under Hardy Toll Road; or,
3. Take Aldine-Westfield north from Mercer Arboretum until it deadends into Riley Fuzzel Road. Turn right onto Riley Fuzzel Road and go only 0.5 miles to the park entrance on your left just after passing under Hardy Toll Road.

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