



Winging in the Gap

Looking for something to do while distancing?

Week of May 25, 2020

News, links to activities and learning sites to keep you up to date and actively learning about birds, wildlife and other topics of interest.

Bird Blog

Ospreys on Osprey Avenue!

by Kathryn Young

It's May and Osprey nesting is well underway in North America. Established Osprey pairs return to their previous nesting sites, while Ospreys without mates or young males may spend weeks searching for a site. Discover the pair on Osprey Avenue and fascinating behaviors all Ospreys share.

[Full Blog Here](#)



Osprey enters the water talons first

Photo credit Rick Greenspun



Kylie Wilson reminds beachgoers to give animals space as humans head back to the beach.

[Watch her on Fox 13](#)

Memorial Day Shorebird Update

with Kylie Wilson, Shorebird Monitor

On Memorial Day, as people head to the beach, our Shorebird Monitors remind us to give wildlife the space they need. No matter how much you want the perfect beach spot, remember that we have to share the sand. **THE BEACH IS THE ONLY PLACE THEY CAN NEST.**

[All the info & photos here](#)

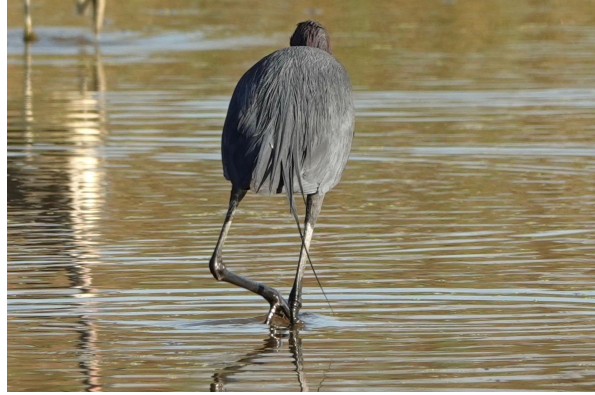
Who Am I?



Name that Bird

Here you will find photos (taken by local photographers) of Pieces and Parts of Birds that you can find in Sarasota County. I have tried to include one trait that is unique for each bird. Click the caption to find the answer. Let's have some fun!

~Kath"Wren" Young, Education Chair
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1. Who Am I?



2. Who Am I?



A western meadowlark in the Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge in Colorado.

Photo Credit: David Zalubowski/AP

More People are Discovering Birds says The Washington Post

Across the country, scientists who study birds say they're besieged by family members and friends asking the same question: Is the bird population exploding? Scientists have observed more people participating in Citizen Science backyard bird programs this year. And they are also looking at how the re-opening of beaches will affect nesting shorebirds. A fascinating read! [Full Article Here.](#)



International
NATURE JOURNALING
WEEK

Citizen Science

Through citizen science, people share and contribute to data monitoring and collection programs.

International Nature Journaling
Week June 1-7, 2020

During this week we will come together as a world-wide community to celebrate



Sample page from John Muir Laws nature journal

and document the beauty and diversity of the natural world.

“Nature journaling allows us to open ourselves to wonder and explore with joy.”

Each day during International Nature Journaling Week will be focused on a different aspect of nature, which will be a starting place for our journal pages for that day. You can access the themes and [link to the programs here](#).



Bird Cams!

Resilient Falcons

Newly hatched eyasses have been stealing our hearts on Raptor Resource Project's [Peregrine Falcon cam](#)! A little over a week old, the chicks have been eager to grow and interact with their parents, Nova and Newman.

[Watch Now!](#)



ey·as /ˈiːəs/ *noun* plural noun: eyasses

1. a young hawk, especially (in falconry) an unfledged nestling taken from the nest for training.

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