

October 10, 2018 – Heritage Park and more

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Thirteen birders enjoyed beautiful fall colors, balmy weather and wonderful looks at birds during the Oct. 10 Wednesday workshop/field trip. We kicked in "Plan B" as Robert Long was closed for phragmites maintenance, so we began the morning at Heritage, our scheduled second stop. It was a fine idea. Birds were very active, as we had multiples of many species, including both kinglets, sparrows, waxwings, and Purple Finches. A highlight had to be a squirrel standing up to a young Red-tailed Hawk at eye level in the main meadow. We didn't stick around for the outcome, but the smart money had to be on the hawk! The Blue Jay and Robin flights were phenomenal as well. We then headed to Soccer! Soccer! to check out the meadows and fields. All in all, we tallied 43 species.

Canada Goose
Wood Duck
Mallard
Rock Pigeon
Mourning Dove
Chimney Swift
Killdeer
Ring-billed Gull
Turkey Vulture
Red-tailed Hawk
Red-bellied Woodpecker
Downy Woodpecker
Hairy Woodpecker
Northern Flicker
Blue-headed Vireo
Blue Jay
American Crow
Black-capped Chickadee
White-breasted Nuthatch
Carolina Wren
Golden-crowned Kinglet
Ruby-crowned Kinglet
Eastern Bluebird
American Robin
European Starling
Cedar Waxwing
House Finch
Purple Finch
American Goldfinch
Chipping Sparrow
White-crowned Sparrow
White-throated Sparrow
Song Sparrow
Swamp Sparrow
Eastern Towhee

Red-winged Blackbird
Brown-headed Cowbird
Common Grackle
Nashville Warbler
Magnolia Warbler
Yellow-rumped Warbler
Northern Cardinal
House Sparrow