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The Woman Who Blocked the Canal

Our Champions of Conservation series highlights environmental heroes to inspire us all. Happy Women's History Month! Marsha Cox

On January 20, 1971, a *New York Times* headline read, "President Blocks Canal in Florida." The article went on to say: "President Nixon today ordered a halt to further construction of the Cross Florida Barge Canal to prevent potentially serious environmental damage."



Marjorie Harris Carr
photo: wiki commons



Nice headline, but here's the backstory: Two strong environmental groups were instrumental in influencing Nixon's advisors. The New York-based [Environmental Defense Fund](#) (EDF) and the Florida-based [Florida Defenders of the Environment](#) (FDE) were not mentioned in that article. Our Champion of Conservation is Marjorie Harris Carr of Florida, a co-founder of FDE.

Marjorie Harris Carr was born in Boston in 1915. Her early childhood was spent in Bonita Springs Florida loving the natural beauty of Florida, while her parents instilled the importance of the ecosystems' fragility and the influence humans had on its ability to survive. She attended college at Florida State College for Women (now Florida State University) and graduated with a B.S. in zoology. Her dream to get a graduate degree from Cornell University or University of North Carolina was thwarted when she was not admitted because of her gender. Instead she got her master's in zoology from University of Florida in 1942, ironically considered an all-male college at the time. *continued on page 6*

OPEN TO ALL!

Monthly Meeting March 14, 7pm

This month we welcome Brittany Piersma, Field Biologist, Audubon Western Everglades.

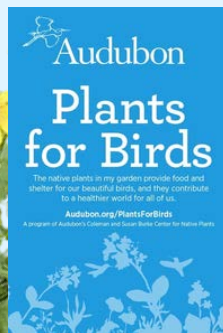
Don't miss her informative talk about the Burrowing Owls on Marcos Island. This threatened species faces many challenges. Please join us - our meetings are open to all.

"I also believe that Floridians care about their environment. If they are educated about its perils, if they are never lied to, they will become stewards of the wild places that are left."

Marjorie Harris Carr

#P4B2024: Four Gardens and Counting

Growing Plants for Birds! Who's Who and Thank You Joyce Riddell



After successfully planning, planting, delegating, and completing four Plants For Birds Gardens, Joyce Riddell has passed the baton to Susan Dayer. Susan has extensive experience in both horticulture and birding and is happy to oversee the ongoing caretaking efforts of our existing four gardens. These gardens are supported by grants from Audubon Florida and Florida Power and Light. In addition, we also have developed community partners with the Marine Discovery Center, City of New Smyrna Beach, Native Plant Society, Volusia County, and Lindley's Nursery.

Why is this so important? Glad you asked.

Scientists report that we have lost over 3 billion birds since the 1970s. Let that sink in. Birds eat insect pests that would otherwise decimate agricultural crops, gardens, and other vegetation. Birds also disperse seeds, pollinate plants, and help maintain the balance between predator and prey, and plants and herbivores. *continued on page 7*

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Our mission: Protecting birds and their habitats through Education, Advocacy, and Action.

Southeast Volusia Audubon Society (SEVAS) was started in the early 1970s as the New Smyrna Beach Audubon Society by a group of neighbors who sought to protect the local birds and wildlife around Smyrna Dunes Park. We are now one of three Audubon Florida chapters in Volusia County, each with its own identity and focus.

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PRESIDENTS' POST

Turn, Turn, Turn

Back in the day, a popular group sang "to everything there is a season" ... and sang of the inevitability and excitement that change brings. SEVAS will be undergoing a change next season. But only in the governance model, not in its essence.

Bill and I have had the privilege of being co-presidents for five years, and now it's time for a change. See the nominating committee report on page 5 for the outline of the process we're engaging to effect that change. Simply put, instead of a "traditional" governance model of President and Vice President etc., our structure will implement a "steering/executive committee" that will take on the leadership. Other Audubon chapters have been successful with this model and we have every confidence it will work for SEVAS. Here is what won't change: SEVAS will continue to carry out its mission in our community. We will continue to:

- **Be a vibrant voice for bird conservation in Volusia County**
- **Head up conservation-based projects such as our bird-friendly gardens and Purple Martin habitat**
- **Provide exciting birding activities throughout our area**
- **Expand our volunteer staff and enrich our volunteer opportunities**
- **Feature interesting monthly speaker meetings on relevant topics**
- **Produce and distribute our monthly newsletter, social media blasts, and other communications**
- **Partner with other organizations in conservation efforts**
- **Support Audubon Florida and other Audubon chapters to bring forward their conservation initiatives**
- **Build a warm community where people feel welcome to join**
- **Encourage each of you to become a part of an important environmental conservation movement**

We look forward to a new method of governance while continuing to grow and develop. Stay tuned and join us - we are YOUR local Audubon chapter.

Bill & Marsha Cox

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ps.... BTW who was that "popular group" that sang of change and where did the original text come from? And the year? Send your answers to this email. Many of you may well be too young to know this 😊



Savannah Sparrow |
 photo: s dayer

Monthly Meetings

SAVE THE DATES

March and April

Mar 14: Brittany Piersma, Audubon West Everglades: Burrowing Owls << in person and on ZOOM

Apr 11: Donna Athearn, Volusia beekeeper: Keeping Bees in New Smyrna Beach

October-April, SEVAS meets at 7PM on the 2nd Thursday of the month in NSB at the Marine Discovery Center. We are honored to have speakers who touch on myriad topics close to our hearts. Open to everyone.

SPECIAL EVENT!



Are you Brainy with Birds? Fantastic with Fungi? Wild about Wildflowers? Terrific with Trees? Bonkers over Bugs?

From sunrise until noon we'll spot and identify as many species of plants and animals, birds, bugs, and NATURE as we can! No skills are necessary just a healthy curiosity about any or all of the above. We need YOU!

We chose the multi-habitat [Indian River Lagoon Preserve](#), because it's accessible, and has the bay, shoreline, and coastal hammocks, which will surely increase the number of species we can find and identify. IRLP also provides tables for field guides and snacks, and toilets, all in close proximity.

BioBlitz!! Come to observe, to bring snacks, or just watch the action. **Go Blitzers!** Check our [MeetUp page](#) to sign up and bring a friend!



Wood Storks
photo: s dayer

SEVAS in the Field

OUTINGS & TRIPS

Stay up to date!

Check our [Facebook](#) and [MeetUp](#) pages for changes, additions, or cancellations.

TUESDAY MORNING BIRDERS

TMB walks are essentially leaderless, but several experienced birders are always available to help. Meet at the site at 8am and plan to spend about two hours:

March 5: Turtle Mound, Canaveral National Seashore

March 12: Riverbreeze Park, Oak Hill

March 19: Buschman Park, Port Orange

March 26: Spruce Creek County Park, Port Orange

BIRDS & BREWS

Third Thursday of the month. B&B walks provide an end-of-day birding jaunt and a libation of choice at a local pub or restaurant. We bird different sites, and enjoy time to relax and connect afterwards.

March 21 5:30pm: Port Orange Causeway Park,

93 Dunlawton Ave, Port Orange. After birding, we'll gather for libations at Hidden Treasure Tiki Bar and grill, 5993 S. Ridgewood, NSB.

FIELD TRIPS

SEVAS field trips are longer outings to farther-out areas. Overnights will have additional costs. We usually meet locally to carpool. Stay tuned!

March TBA: Orlando Wetlands 630a-230p - Meet at Walmart Parking lot SR 44, NSB

March 16: Lake Apopka 7am-3pm - Meet at the Walmart Parking Lot on SR 44, NSB

April 5-7: South Florida Overnight SPACE LIMITED
Call Don for details, 386-409-7145.

CANAVERAL WALKS

CNS Walks are led by a SEVAS member on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month, through April 12. Meet at the Apollo Visitor Center at 8am. Walks are free, though CNS park entry fees are required unless you have a pass.

March 8: Apollo Visitor Center

March 22: Apollo Visitor Center

SEVAS birding events are free and open to all. Some locations require an entrance fee, but most do not.

Amazon Wish List

We now have a "wish list" of needed items if you'd like to contribute. Right now, we need to update and stabilize our table for community outreach events, so we need table cloths, hangers for our posters, and wind weights to secure our tent. We'll add items as we need, so check our Wish List often! We appreciate you!

Recent & Upcoming Events

NSB Utilities' Spring Fest Well Attended Again!



SEVAS joined local nonprofits including the Bromeliad

Society, [NSB Turtle Trackers](#), [Marlin's Bees](#), [FNPS Pawpaw Chapter](#), [New Smyrna Beach Garden Club](#), [Florida Forest Service](#), and others for NSB Utilities' annual Spring Fest. Special thanks to Gail Rogers for organizing the SEVAS table!

Bluebird Houses Installed at Chisolm Elementary School



Dean Spears, Susan Dayer, and Joyce Riddell recently installed four bluebird houses at Chisolm Elementary School. The birds were in the area at three of the locations, and bluebirds actually sat on a branch and watched the team assemble the birdhouses at one spot!

After seeing bluebirds near our native gardens at the Marine Discovery Center, we'll install two bluebird houses there, soon.



"Birding shifts your perceptions, adding new layers of meaning and brokering connections: between sounds and seasons, across far-flung places, and between who we are as people and a wild world that both transcends and embraces us. In my life, it has been a window into the wondrous."

Christian Cooper, author, *Better Living Through Birding*

SEVAS MEETING MARCH 14 Florida's Burrowing Owls

Join us at 7pm Mar 14 and discover the [Audubon Western Everglades' Owl Watch program](#), led by Field Biologist Brittany Piersma,

[Marco Island](#) hosts the second largest population of Burrowing owls in the state, and this threatened species is facing many challenges in a growing urban environment.

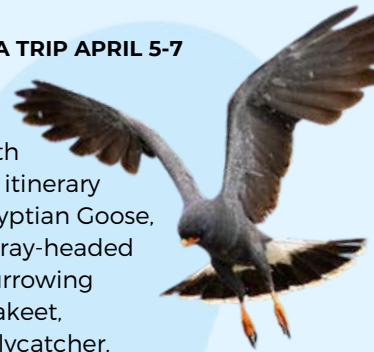


Over 90 volunteers are committed to the monitoring, research, banding, and outreach of these beloved owls.

Brittany will come to us via Zoom, and we'll start promptly at the Marine Discovery Center at 7pm. ALL ARE WELCOME!

SOUTH FLORIDA TRIP APRIL 5-7 SIGN UP NOW!

SEVAS birders will trek to south Florida with an itinerary that targets Egyptian Goose, Least Bittern, Gray-headed Swamphen, Burrowing Owl, Monk Parakeet, Scissor-tailed Flycatcher, Mitred Parakeet, Common Myna, and other avian goodies.



Snail Kite
photo: thibaudaronson

Previous trips have also produced Eared Grebe, White-tailed Kite, Shiny Cowbird, White-crowned Pigeon, Red-whiskered Bulbul, Red-legged Honeycreeper, Neotropic Cormorant, and Tropical Kingbird.

Space is LIMITED! Call trip leader Don Chalfant ASAP at 386-409-7145 for more.

PBS Nature Highlights Epic Shorebird Migrations

Stream *Nature: Flyways* free on the PBS site, and learn more about the voyages and challenges that these birds face. As the climate warms, ranges are shifting and habitats are harder to come by.



Volusia County Sustainability and Resilience Programs

Myriad [free] activities are on offer this month!

March 6: Bike and Hike Gemini Springs.
March 13: Doris Leeper Spruce Creek Hike ... and MORE! [Click here](#) to reg or call Tommy Nordmann at 386-736-5927.



Great-horned Owl chicks
photo: s dayer



Growing Forward with SEVAS

Nominating Committee News: NEW STEERING COMMITTEE Your Help and Vote is Hereby Requested

Inspired after our Visioning Meeting in January, we are full-steam ahead in our efforts to grow and solidify SEVAS. The current Nominating Committee members, Marsha Cox, Jane Talbot, and Richard Fasse, are hard at work gauging interest in leadership roles for our Board of Directors. We contacted our present Board and other interested members. We are encouraged with the responses and will have a slate of Officers to vote on at our end-of-season meeting on April 11. This effort is not yet complete and we are eager to include YOU.

This year our Co-Presidents Bill and Marsha Cox are retiring and we will institute a Steering Committee to replace them. We were unable to find a willing President or Vice President to serve next year, but in researching how the Steering Committee approach worked with another Florida Audubon Chapter, we are convinced this will be a good fit for us.

Will you help our transition? If you want to be one of the 12-15 architects on the Board of Directors, please let us know NOW. The BOD includes Officers, Committee Chairs, Project Leaders, and "At Large" members needed to accomplish goals. We meet once a month (October - April) to advise, plan, and prioritize our activities. Most of our leadership team are Snow Birds so don't let that stop you from getting involved!

Everyone on the Board of Directors are active volunteers in one or more of our projects. If you'd like to join a wonderful group of friends and go beyond attending our walks and talks, we can work with you to find a place for your contributions and have fun. Email now to find out more president.sevas@gmail.com.



Plants4Birds
from top clockwise

joyce riddell
winston byfield
dean spears
susan dayer
bob chew
laura devlin

Thank You!

Here are just a few folks who give back on the regular. Hello Plants4Birds crew, and thank you for making our surroundings brighter!

Be a Part of We!



SEVAS makes a tangible
difference in Volusia County.

We support our birds and elevate our local habitat. **We** offer free and fun events to the public. **We** use our skills and talents for good. **We** network with like-minded organizations in our community. **We** educate and nurture future generations.

ORGANIZER? Program Planner **GREEN THUMB?** P4B Steward
TECHIE? Webmaster **TEACHER?** Educational activities
LEADER? Board of Directors **EYES?** Citizen Science Observer

Sandhill Cranes and colts
photo: bill white for nasa



Purple Martin (PUMA) News

Richard Fasse

The PUMAs are back! The PUMAs are back!



They have arrived with friends now and the colony is getting busy, so nesting and possibly eggs may be in evidence at our 5pm nest check next Tuesday.

Susan Dayer got pictures of a group of eight or so at the colony on 2/17/24. It was rainy that day but she got a nice closeup of this adult male on his porch.

On 1/30/24, Captain Guy got the first smartphone picture of PUMAs landing at our gourds. We think they were our first transients, they didn't stay around. On 2/12/24 I made a temporary mount for the camera and placed it high up on the pole. There were several reports "our" birds might be back. The next morning we captured video of two males hanging out until about 10am then they took off to feed. We think these are our birds from last year because they are now hanging around the gourds morning and evening. The camera was not secure so after 24 hours I removed it.

In anticipation of our Purple Martins returning I started experimenting with ways to remotely capture external video of the colony and interior video of parents feeding nestlings. If you are a member of the Purple Martin Conservation Association (PMCA) you can access their discussions for members and the info I found there on nesting cameras got me off to a good start. I will post more details about these experiments next month.

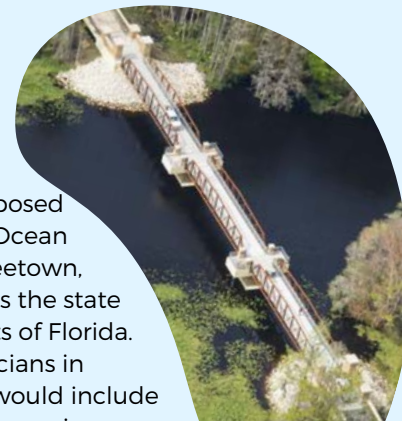
SEVAS tabled at the Black Heritage Festival in NSB
photo: s dayer



Champions of Conservation (from page 1)

Fast forward to 1960, where Carr, back in Florida after research and work in Central America, became an environmental activist in Alachua county, Florida. If you've ever hiked or birded the beautiful Payne's Prairie Preserve State Park, you can thank the efforts led by MHC to save this natural space. In 1969, Carr co-founded the [Florida Defenders of the Environment](#), and it was her work with the FDE that led to the important efforts on behalf of the Ocklawaha River Valley ecosystem.

The Cross Florida Barge Canal, an idea spawned in the early history of the U.S., became closer to a reality in 1964 when ground was broken in Palatka, Florida. The proposed canal would connect the Atlantic Ocean with the Gulf of Mexico near Yankeetown, Florida, allowing ship traffic to cross the state and to avoid the "dangerous" Straits of Florida. It was a popular idea among politicians in Florida and Washington D.C., and would include dredging major rivers and building a series of dams and locks to "control" water flow.



Recognizing the disaster this would be to the habitat and natural order of the area, Carr and her colleagues began what seemed to be an uphill battle to stop the building of this canal.

Through the work of education, grass roots organization, political activism, advocacy for the ecosystem, and the synergy of partnerships, they persisted. The newly formed FDE filed a lawsuit against the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and used scientific evidence and the keen popular support of the area to change the political will. Despite work begun and dams in place, President Nixon halted the project in 1971.

MHC died in 1997 but not before her vision to undo the damage started by the canal work had been accomplished. What had started as a ship's passage through central Florida is now the Marjorie Harris Carr Cross Florida Greenway, a 110-mile long park from the Gulf to the St. Johns River, with 300 miles of trails and opportunities to enjoy the beauty of Florida that she fought to save.

Among her awards are: the Audubon Conservation Award, the Teddy Roosevelt Conservation Award, the Alexander Calder Conservation Award, Florida Governor's Award for Outstanding Conservation Leadership, and induction into the Florida Women's Hall of Fame in 1996. Thank you Marjorie!

Thank You SEVAS Volunteers!

Conservation Corner

Bob Chew

Bird of the Month *from page 9*

What can you do to lure these true wonders of nature to your garden? Hummingbirds imbibe nectar with their needlelike bills and a long tongue that is split and grooved to form a straw. In the winter months, hummingbird feeders can supplement the lack of blooming plants in your yard but be sure to keep them clean and supplied with fresh, clear nectar (no dyes please!).



Rufous Hummingbird
photo: vickie j anderson

Hummingbirds can be extremely territorial, and you may see multiple birds fighting over a feeder.

Other times of the year, colorful plants with red, orange, and pink tubular flowers are favored, but almost any flowers will do!

Of course, native plants are best for your gardens and we have a wide variety that attract hummers! Try indigo bush, butterfly weed, cross vine, Carolina jessamine, firebush, and scarlet rose mallow.



Black-chinned Hummingbird
photo: lwolfartist

While hummingbirds are common to many parts of the country, and none are endangered, maintaining their population can only be guaranteed by keeping their habitats safe and secure. Planting a garden full of local, native plants will not only fuel the hummers, but will surely bring other birds, butterflies, and insect pollinators like bees, too.



Carolina Jessamine
photo: david j stang

New Logo Wear

Our New Skimmer logo is on file with **Beach Embroidery & Screen**. Bring in a favorite hat, or any piece of apparel, and they'll add our logo for just \$10. **They look great, so start sporting yours!** Bonus for us - free advertising for our SEVAS chapter here and when you wear them on trips out of town. Call Kylene at 386 478 3931.



What if the birds don't return?

Recently I installed two bird feeders in the hopes of attracting some Painted Buntings. After two weeks, no birds have stopped by to eat. Did I use the wrong type of feeder, the wrong bird seed, or put it in the wrong location? Hopefully I'll find a solution and will soon have some regular visitors.

This then got me thinking about how sad it would be if birds stopped visiting our home, not because of my rookie mistakes but because of the ongoing species decline due to climate change, loss of habitat and food sources, window strikes, cats, the impact of light pollution, or because they are being poisoned by so many harmful chemicals that we have released into the environment.



Painted Bunting
photo: anyjazz65

I also remembered how important National Audubon, Audubon Florida and SEVAS are to slowing this decline of bird populations and help to rebuild their numbers. It also has given me an incentive to remove non-native plants from our yard and replace them with native species that our birds, butterflies and insects need.

On a positive note, just after two weeks, we had two male Painted Buntings visit our feeder and they have returned on following days! (Photo to follow as soon as I get a good one!)

Want to learn more? Come help us maintain our P4B Gardens, or join the Purple Martin Project. Contact me at bobchew99@gmail.com.

Don't Cut the Line! Reel. Remove. Release.

Recently a Common Loon was spotted in the IRL with a hook and line in its bill. If ever you're in this situation, here's what to do.

Susan was able to save this gull, who was hooked through bill and foot. More [HERE](#).



HOOKED A BIRD? Don't Cut the Line!

Why? Birds that fly away with hook and line attached may become entangled in trees and die.

5 simple steps to save pelicans and other seabirds:

1. Reel the bird in slowly to reduce the risk of additional injuries to the bird.
2. Use a hoop net to carefully lift the bird from the water. Before handling the bird, put on glasses to protect your eyes. Fold the bird's wings against its body and hold its beak firmly and slightly open. Cover its head with a towel or shirt to calm it.
3. Cut the barb and back the hook out. Don't remove a hook that still has a barb!
4. If the bird is severely hurt or has swallowed the hook, call *FWC on your cell phone for a list of wildlife rehabilitators.
5. If the bird appears healthy, it's OK to release it. Place its feet on the ground, point it toward the water and stand back. Let the bird take off on its own.

More information? MyFWC.com/Unhook



Four Gardens and Counting *from page 1*

One of the major causes of bird numbers decreasing is habitat loss. Planting with native plants, shrubs, and trees naturally creates habitats that attract birds, so SEVAS was inspired to take part in this national Audubon program to further this effort. What's more, anyone, anywhere, can create a lovely "Plants for Birds" garden. These habitats can preserve the necessary spaces to protect our diminishing bird, insect, and wildlife populations, no matter the type of home, school, business, or park.

In order to have an abundance of birds to watch, we need to preserve and provide the habitat they need to feed, nest, and shelter. In turn this helps to balance the unique ecosystems found around Volusia County. Visit our "Plants for Birds" gardens and learn how you can become part of our community effort to create native habitat for birds and other wildlife. We currently have four locations with interpretive "P4B" gardens in New Smyrna Beach, maintained by SEVAS members.



If You Plant It, They will Come

Susan will also be on the lookout for additional locations that will not only serve birds but will help to educate local residents on the importance of planting native plants and trees for the health and survival of birds and the habitat they need. Each garden will have a Steward to handle maintenance and possible expansion:

Dean Spears oversees the **Marine Discovery Center P4B** garden with wife Meri Ann; his favorite bird is Piliated Woodpecker. Laura Devlin supervises the **Myrtle Park P4B**, and Winston Byfield captains the **Babe James Community Center P4B**, which is about to see a large expansion. The **Chisholm Middle School P4B** is currently looking for a Steward to oversee their project, but in the meantime, Joyce Riddel and Susan Dayer are maintaining it. Want to help? To be notified when help is needed at any of our gardens, email Susan at Ssgrease@aol.com. If you are interested in donating a plant, tree or bench at Babe James, contact Winston Byfield at winby1998@gmail.com.

Welcome! New P4B Stewards!

Laura: I decided to volunteer for the P4B garden simply because I enjoy gardening and love birds. I saw firsthand the variety of birds that frequent my yard after planting Florida native- and bird-friendly plants. So, when the opportunity to participate at Myrtle Park's P4B's garden was mentioned, it was an easy "Yes"!

Favorite bird?! Good grief, that's a tough question! I do love my Cardinals and my yearly winter resident Painted Buntings. But I can't rule out Brown Pelicans or Red-bellied Woodpeckers. Just a tough question! There is not a bird I don't enjoy.

Winston: I grew up in the Hudson River valley, Hiking and canoeing the mountains and tributaries. This experience influenced my love for the outdoors, an interest in trees, wildflowers and wildlife. I have an associate in civil technology and certificate in soils and vegetation from Cook College.

I like Hummingbirds - remarkable creatures! Their agility, speed, vibrant colors make them a wonder of the avian world. I'm excited to be part of the Audubon community and to learn about birds, butterflies and Florida!



SEVAS P4B Gardens

The Marine Discovery Center
520 Barracuda Blvd.
NSB, Florida

Babe James Community Center
201 N. Myrtle Ave.
NSB, Florida

Myrtle Avenue Park
801 Canal St.
NSB Florida

Chisholm Elementary School
557 Ronnoc Ln.
NSB Florida



Bird of the Month

Gail Loughlin Rogers

Hummingbirds have always fascinated me, and here in Florida, we can enjoy them year-round! Ruby-throated hummingbirds are the most common here. They measure about three inches long and weigh about the weight of a penny! The mature male boasts an iridescent red throat thanks to air bubbles in his throat feathers, green back feathers that can shimmer in the light, and a forked tail. The female has a gray to white throat, and a square white tipped tail. Occasionally Black-chinned and Rufous Hummingbirds are seen in Florida in the winter.

Ruby-throated hummingbirds live only in the Americas. They may migrate to Southern Mexico and Central America, and we are happy to host them here in Florida. They breed throughout the eastern United States and southern Canada and favor deciduous forests. Males usually arrive a week or so prior to the females to stake out their territory. Once a male finds a female willing to mate, the deed is done, and he is off to find another female. The female will build her nest in a shady spot with plant material held together with spider webs, pine resin and flower buds. Females lay 2 eggs (less than 1/2" in diameter!), and incubate them for 10-14 days. Nestlings receive meals of insects (mosquitoes, spiders, gnats, fruit flies, and small bees) until they leave the nest at about 4 weeks. A female may raise up to three broods each year.

What else makes a hummer special? Their flying skills of course! Their wings are uniquely designed to move freely at the shoulder and they can hover, fly backwards, sideways, forward, and upside down! These wings beat 50-200 times/second creating the humming sound we hear as they zip about our yards.

This constant motion and high-speed maneuvers require a constant supply of fuel. *continued on page 7*



Ruby-throated Hummingbird at home
photo: g l rogers

*In 2023 Audubon Florida named SEVAS "Small Chapter of the Year".
Your dues are the foundation for continued success of this totally volunteer organization, and we appreciate it.
Please make it a priority to keep current with your annual dues, gifts and participation
so we can continue to make a difference for our feathered friends and our environment. Thank you!*

Yes! BECOME A MEMBER TODAY

I want to protect and conserve habitat and wildlife in Volusia County.

Annual Memberships benefit you, the birds and our shared environments.

Join here, or securely ONLINE at sevolusiaudubon.org.

Single \$20 **Family \$25**

Complete this form, make your check out to **SEVAS**, and mail to:
Southeast Volusia Audubon Society
PO Box 46 New Smyrna Beach, FL 32170

Scan this code!



Your membership includes our digital newsletter, *The Skimmer*, October to April, as well as member emails with announcements and event reminders.

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Year-round resident Snowbird Volunteer I'd like to add an additional contribution \$ _____