



# GOAS *Scissortail*

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## DR. RUTH REPORTS

Ruth Grant, GOAS Chapter President

November means Thanksgiving in Missouri. In the midst of turkey, pumpkin pie, and football, we give thanks for our health, our families and our beautiful country. We Auduboners also give thanks for the wonderful birds that make the Ozarks their home and the wonderful birders who make their home here as well.

In November we should also thank all of our hard working volunteers. GOAS is an entirely volunteer organization. Volunteers recruit speakers for our meetings, and present programs at our meetings. Volunteers bring snacks, and clean up afterward. Volunteers run the birdseed sale, monitor our bluebird boxes, organize our field trip schedule and lead our field trips. Volunteers write for and edit the *Scissortail*.

GOAS seems to run smoothly and seamlessly, BUT if every one of our volunteers kicked back and took November off, our operation would grind to a halt. No birdseed sale, no membership meeting, no field trips, no *Scissortail*. So

### 22st Annual GOAS Bird Seed Sale

**Southern Hills Shopping Center  
2900 East Sunshine  
west side of parking lot**

**Saturday November 16  
9:00 am to 4:00 pm**

**Order form is included with this  
newsletter and online at**

[http://  
www.greaterozarksaudubon.org/2013  
BirdSeedSale.pdf](http://www.greaterozarksaudubon.org/2013BirdSeedSale.pdf)



a big thank you from me to every volunteer who makes GOAS such a vital organization!

In November we also have the opportunity to hear from some of our GLADE graduates at the membership meeting. Young people are the future of conservation, and GLADE provides a means to educate, inspire and energize these young people about conservation in the Ozarks.

GLADE is an award winning program, yet we never know until January each year whether we'll be able to fund the Green Leadership Academy for the following June. We have to raise about \$20,000 to make the budget. It takes a combination of grants from foundations, solicitations by the fundraising committee (David Catlin, chair) and donations from the birdseed sale and Birdathon to reach our goal. When you fill out your birdseed order please consider adding a generous donation to help make GLADE 2014 a reality. And if you're scratching your head, asking, "what is GLADE", then come to the Nature Center at 6:30 PM November 21st and find out!

There is no board meeting, no membership meeting and no *Scissortail* in December. We will have an organizational meeting for Christmas bird count December 5. Our Springfield Christmas Bird Count takes place December 14. Even if you're a novice and have never participated before, you're welcome to take part! Come to the organizational meeting, where you can join a team.

**NOVEMBER CALENDAR**  
**GOAS BOARD MEETING**  
**TUESDAY NOVEMBER 12th**  
7:00 p.m. Environmental Resource Center  
**GOAS MEMBERSHIP MEETING**  
**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21st**  
7:00 p.m. Program  
Springfield Conservation Nature Center

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YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE  
**GREATER OZARKS CHAPTER**  
OF THE  
**NATIONAL AUDUBON SOCIETY**  
*Membership in the National Audubon Society includes:*

- ◆ Affiliation with Greater Ozarks Audubon
- ◆ Eight issues of the **GOAS Scissortail**
- ◆ Four issues of **Audubon** magazine

- Please enroll me as a member of NAS and Greater Ozarks Audubon.....\$20
- Introductory 2 year Membership.....\$35
- I'm interested in making a request; please contact me at the address below

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**National Audubon Society  
P. O. Box 422250  
Palm Coast, Florida 32142-2250**

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Contact Mary Sturdevant, GOAS Membership Chair with questions, or Jim Fossard, Secretary, if you want to receive the newsletter by mail.

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Representing:

Cedar, Christian, Dallas, Douglas, Greene,  
Hickory, Polk, St. Clair, Stone, Taney,  
Webster, and Wright Counties in Missouri.

*Our mission is to promote bird conservation in southwest Missouri through birdwatching, education, habitat preservation and restoration, and public awareness, for the benefit of humanity and wildlife.*

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## 2013 GREEN LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

Photography courtesy of Kelsey Rumley, GLADE class of 2010



### NOVEMBER CALENDAR

#### THIS MONTH'S PROGRAM...

Join the GLADE Class of 2013, as they share their  
*Week In the Woods*

Sixteen high school students experienced a *Week In the Woods*.  
These young adults learned about:

- ✕ Avian life history and migration
- ✕ Forestry dynamics, such as, the effects of prescribed fire on biodiversity
- ✕ Searched for herps and learned about reptiles
- ✕ Restored 8000 sq. meters of giant cane habitat
- ✕ Compared water quality of streams and the lake
- ✕ Learned from mentors about community projects and organizing volunteers
- ✕ Toured Chase Studios: Art and nature synthesis
- ✕ Discovered the impact of teamwork and collaboration to solve problems

Come at 6:30 pm, Thursday November 21st for refreshments and to socialize. The program will begin at 7:00 pm, followed by the membership meeting at the Springfield Conservation Nature Center, 4601 Nature Center Way (off Business Highway 65). *Dan and Ann Liles*