

Friday, Sept 6, 8:30 pm

Owl Prowl: Join in on a nocturnal quest for owls. You may need them on your list to win a prize at Bird Quest! There are 3 possible species that may turn up. Please watch the weather and if it has been wet, you will need footwear that can walk through some muddy patches. Now there are no guarantees, but we will have an adventure and share good camaraderie. We will meet at the Aurora City Park Brettschnieder Park parking lot on the north side of Pioneer Trail a few hundred yards east of Page Road in Aurora. Leader: Jim Tomko

Saturday, Sept 7, 8:00 am

The Rookery: 10110 Cedar Road, Chesterland. A reliable migrant hotspot every year in mid-September, with checklists of 20 - 30 species in 2-hours. Two wetlands, some small fields, deciduous woods, flooded bottomland and lots of 'Glorious Edge' attract migrant vireos, warblers and flycatchers, as well as many summer breeders and some raptors. Easy walking on flat, smooth trails. You could have a decent checklist just birding around the parking area! Arrive by 7:45 am and start walking at 8:00am. Leader: Matt Valencic

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Chagrin River Park: meet at the Rural Road parking lot (1000 Rural Rd, Eastlake, OH 44095) by 7:45 am. Walk begins at 8:00 am. During migration, birds need to stop to rest and feed. Dedicated as an Important Bird Area in 2007, Chagrin River Park provides crucial stopover habitat. Most of the park's natural areas are made up of dense shrubs with pockets of mature forest bordering wetland areas and open fields. Park land on the east and west sides of the Chagrin River are linked by a pedestrian bridge. We'll look for great blue herons, kingfishers and sandpipers near the river. We should see a variety of songbirds and we'll hope to see the flock of resident wild turkey. Leader: Mary Ann Wagner, Blackbrook Audubon