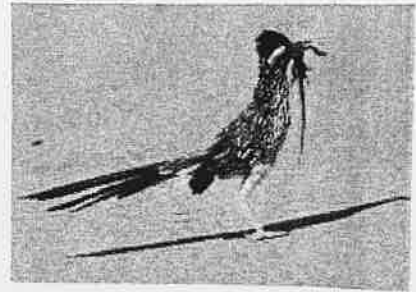


# The Roadrunner

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Chapter Web Site

<http://www.gbarnett.com/eptpas/eptpashome.html>

El Paso Audubon Online features updated graphics and more information for chapter members and visitors to El Paso.

El Paso Audubon Online supplements the Roadrunner and includes information about upcoming field trips, a calendar of upcoming events, recent bird sightings and an updated list of birding links to the Internet. Make bird sighting reports at [ElPasoBirdAlert@gbarnett.com](mailto:ElPasoBirdAlert@gbarnett.com)

Many thanks to Jesse Granthum for the excellent presentation given at the February Awards Banquet.

Thank you to John Sproul for giving the March presentation and keeping members current of the activities at Rio Bosque Wetlands Park.

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### General Meetings

Monday, April 21, 2003

Feather Lake Wildlife Sanctuary  
9500 North Loop at Bordeaux 7:30pm

Doug Buehler  
Guadalupe National Park

"Overlooked and Underfoot: Herps of the Guadalupe Mountains", by Doug Buehler, Chief of Interpretation at Guadalupe National Park. Doug is renowned for his presentation on reptiles, one that you won't want to miss. Come early for a walk around Feather Lake before the meeting.

Monday, May 19, 2003

Memorial Park Garden Center  
3105 Grant Street 7:30pm  
Raphael Corral

"Cacti of the El Paso and Juarez area,"

Raphael Corral is the Senior Botanist and Pest Management Coordinator at Fort Bliss. Raphael created the impressive herbarium for Ft. Bliss. Raphael is one of our local experts on northern Chihuahuan Desert plants and has given cacti identification trainings in the field for the Texas Master Naturalists. He will present information regarding our local cacti species and show us how to identify local cacti.

Notice anything different about this newsletter? It is the first prepared using our new computer and desktop-publishing software. Thanks go the Rio Grande/Rio Bravo Basin Coalition and Project Learning Tree GreenWorks! grants for the support that made these upgrades possible!

## AT FEATHER LAKE

Runoff from the rain on February 21-22 raised Feather Lake almost 4 feet, to a depth of 5.5 feet. The level has since dropped, but there is still plenty of water ... and plenty of birds. In particular, this is shaping up as a good spring for migrating White-faced Ibis. Ibis numbers have been building since late February and should be strong for several weeks yet. These birds feed throughout the river valley during the day, then return to Feather Lake in the last hour or so before sunset to roost for the night. In some years, the numbers climb into the thousands, and their return to the lake at the end of the day provides one of El Paso's best wildlife-viewing spectacles.

A great opportunity to see the ibis flight will be at our April 21 general meeting at Feather Lake (see p. 1). Be sure to come early to enjoy a walk around the lake. Another opportunity is on Sunday afternoons in April. Through the end of April, Feather Lake is open Saturdays from 8 a.m. to noon and Sundays from 2 p.m. to sunset. The lake is located at 9500 North Loop at Bordeaux in El Paso, 0.3 miles west of Americas Ave. Admission is free.

When you visit, you may notice a new feature at our ramada. We now have a wheelchair-accessible ramp from the ramada to the lake overlook. This project was made possible through the contributions of J A R Concrete, Jobe Concrete Products and City Representative Luis Sariñana. Many thanks to all!

Though closed to the public from May through Sept., Feather Lake is a fascinating place in summer. To find out why, join us Sat., June 7 for our annual Breakfast at Feather Lake. We'll meet at 8:30 a.m., dine in style, then work a few hours on sanctuary projects.

Breakfast with the Birds

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## RIO BOSQUE WETLANDS PARK

UTEP offers free walking tours twice each month and also holds monthly community workdays at Rio Bosque Wetlands Park in El Paso's Mission Valley. Coming up:

- 9 a.m. Sat., April 5 (Birds)
- 4 p.m. Sun., April 13 (Introductory Tour)
- 9 a.m. Sat., April 19 (Workday)
- 4 p.m. Sat., May 10 (Birds)
- 9 a.m. Sat., May 17 (Workday)
- 9 a.m. Sun., May 18 (Introductory)

For all of these activities, the meeting place is a bridge crossing Riverside Canal. To get there from I-10, take Americas Ave. (Loop 375) to Pan American Dr., turn left onto Pan American and travel 1.5 miles to the bridge. Please be prompt. 747-8663.



## Birdathon 2003

The chapter's major fundraiser & major FUN-raiser of the year is almost upon us! The weekend of May 3 & 4 will have various individuals & teams competing to raise money & determine who can identify the most species of birds in a single 24 hour period!

If you haven't participated in previous Birdathons, this is the one for you to begin with! Couples, families & friends can birdwatch by themselves, or they can join other people in their efforts. If you can't get out into the field to look for birds you can do so in your yard, neighborhood or local park. Don't be bashful or concerned about your birdwatching skills, we'll make sure that you can do a good job on your own or with more experienced birders, while having FUN!

If you are unable to participate as a counter, please consider supporting this important event by being a sponsor for one or more counters, by finding local business/corporate sponsors for the event, providing prizes for the event yourself, or by helping with the numerous tasks involved in getting the event off the ground.

Please contact John Kiseda (533-4615), Betty Fisbeck [581-0174], or Jane Fowler (598-2448) to once again help the chapter put together a great Birdathon event!

### **El Paso Native Plant Society Meeting Thursday, April 10 7:00pm**

Wynn Anderson will present the program, "A preview of the plants that will be for sale at this year's "FloraFEST". FloraFEST is the best opportunity for El Pasoans to purchase a wide variety of drought tolerant native plants and trees, favored by our wildlife. All meetings take place in the UTEP Centennial Museum.

## El Paso/Trans-Pecos Audubon Society

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## **International Migratory Bird Day at the El Paso Zoo**

This year's event will take place on Sat., May 10, from 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM, and will include animal demonstrations, the zoo's new family fun "game show", an off-site field trip led by John Kiseda, guided tours of the zoo, displays with representatives from various organizations such as Texas Master Naturalists, The Audubon Society, & much, much more!

If you can help provide coverage at the Audubon display, please contact Elizabeth Chase at 539-1191; otherwise just come on out to the zoo and have fun while learning about our natural world! For more details, contact Rick LoBello at 521-1881 or visit [elpasozoo.org](http://elpasozoo.org).

## Wyler Tramway Hawkwatch Needs Your Help

John Kiseda has resumed his hawkwatch activities at the Tramway, and needs your help! John can't spend as much time as he would like to at the Tramway & would appreciate your participation. Put your bird observation skills to good use on this project. Contact John K. at 521-1850 during the day & at 533-4615 in the evening. On a recent visit to the site, John was fortunate to see a great deal of reproductive behavior from the pair of resident red-tailed hawks, including aerial courtship displays, nest building & copulation! Also see the note in the Field Trip section, about a 4/27 trip to this fun site.

Some scenes from our annual awards dinner, held on Sat. Feb. 22, 2003.



Eagle Scout Ben Connel who accepted the Conservation Award on behalf of the Eagle Scouts of the Yucca Council.



John Kiseda the chapter Vice-President and MC for the evening on the right with Jesse Granthum, the speaker.



Bernie Sargeant accepting a check from the chapter for Keystone Heritage Park.



John presenting the Meritorious Service Award to Hugh Jameson.



John Sproul accepting a check from the chapter for Rio Bosque Wetlands Park.

## Wildlife Conservation Organizations

Chihuahuan Desert Wildlife Rescue  
[www.whc.net/cdwr](http://www.whc.net/cdwr)

El Paso Zoo 521-1850  
[www.elpasozoo.org](http://www.elpasozoo.org)

Keystone Heritage Park 581-7920  
[Keystonepark.com](http://Keystonepark.com) [Keystonepark.org](http://Keystonepark.org)

Chihuahuan Desert Nature Park  
[www.cdnp.org](http://www.cdnp.org) (505) 524-3334

Friends of Rio Bosque 747-8663

Friends of Hueco Tanks 857-1135

Southwest Environmental Center  
[Severn.swec@zianet.com](mailto:Severn.swec@zianet.com)

Franklin Mountain Wilderness Coalition  
[www.iloveparks.com/fmw/](http://www.iloveparks.com/fmw/)

El Paso Native Plant Society 533-4615

FloraFEST 2003  
Saturday & Sunday April 26 & 27  
9:00am-4:00pm

Flora FEST is the best opportunity for El Pasoans to purchase a wide variety of drought tolerant native plants and trees, favored by our wildlife. As usual, this year's FloraFEST will be held outside the Centennial Museum at the UTEP campus.

# ON THE TRAIL

## Yellow-eyed Junco's & Acorn Woodpeckers

**Fri. - Mon. May 23-26.** Cave Creek is located in the Coronado National Forest, next to Portal Az. Portal is 7 miles west of Rodeo NM which is on route US 80 reached from Exit 5 (Road Forks) on I-10, or through Columbus NM on NM 9 from Santa Teresa. This is one of the best places in the United States to see the *Elegant Trogon*, *Sulpher-bellied Flycatcher*, *Painted Redstart*, *Gray-breasted Jay*, *Gila*, *Strickland's* and *Acorn Woodpeckers*, *Cassin's Kingbird*, *Bridled Titmouse* and *Blue-throated Hummingbird*. On Sunday a trip up high to Rustler Park you could find *Mexican and Mountain Ckickadees*, *Yellow-eyed Junco*, *Broad-tailed Hummingbird*, *Red-faced Warbler* and maybe *Olive Warbler*. We will be having our famous campground picnic on **Sat. evening** (no singing required).



Acorn Woodpecker

Great camping among the Arizona Sycamores, which line Cave Creek as it flows through Idlewild and Stewart Campgrounds. For those of you who like more comforts the following places are within a few miles of the Campground. Call Bob (915- 757-1876) or e-mail [bobwildbirderj@cs.com](mailto:bobwildbirderj@cs.com). for itinerary and map.

Cave Creek Ranch (520) 558-2334

Portal Lodge (520) 558-2223

Kraft Cottage (520) 558-2443

Southwestern Research Station(520) 558-2396

The zip code for Portal AZ. is 85632. Sleeping accomadations are also available in Rodeo.

Geo. Walker House (520) 558-2287

Cathedral Rock Lodge (520) 558-2254

Chirachua Cottages (1-800-726-7231)

Ranger Station (520) 364-3468

## DESERT BIRDS / BIRDS of PREY

### WATER and WADING BIRD

Take in the sights of Feather Lake Wildlife Sanctuary, then down to McNary and Ft. Hancock. *Herons, Egrets, White-faced Ibis, Gadwalls, Green-winged Teal, and Northern Shoveler.*

**DATE:** Sunday, April 6th.

**TIME:** 7:24 AM

**PLACE:** Feather Lake WS at 9500 North Loop

**LEADER:** John Sproul (545-5157)

A chance to see some of the birds that inhabit the desert scrub, *Cactus Wren, Pyrrhuloxia, Scaled Quail, and Curve-billed Thrasher*. Then out along Hawk Alley for *Northern Harrier, Red-tailed Hawk, Swainson's Hawk, American Kestrel and Turkey Vulture*. If time permits it will be on to the Fort Bliss Ponds.

**DATE:** Saturday, April 12th.

**TIME:** 7:47 AM

**PLACE:** Wilderness Park Museum  
4301 Trans-Mountain Rd.

**LEADER:** Bob Johnson (757-1876)

# OBSERVATIONS

## RARE AND UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS

Jan. 16, 2003 to Mar. 15, 2003

Listing of birds is determined using the checklist "Birds of El Paso County, Texas and Adjacent Areas" 8th Edition January 2003. Leave sightings at Bob "Wildbirder" Johnson (757-1876), or E-mail bobwildbirderj@cs.com.

**Bold print - Rare;**

Light highlighting - Casual;

Dark highlighting - Very Rare

-y seen in or from their yard. -f field trip leader.

**Observers:** Mary Lou Alcorn; Dan Allen; Lois Balin; Hugh Jameson; Bob Johnson; John Kiseda; Jim Paton; Flora Pittard; John Sproul; Jimmy Zabrieskie; Barry Zimmer.

### Grebes thru Vultures

**Western Grebe** These two large Grebes were observed throughout the period at McNary by a number of observers.  
**Clark's Grebe**

**American White Pelican** The Pelicans were also seen quite often.

**Neotropic Cormorant** In early March The Cormorants were starting to nest at McNary and Fort hancock.  
**Double-crested Cormorant**

**American Bittern** 2/15 JS FLK

**White-faced Ibis** The nightly arrival of the Ibis at Feather Lake started in late Feb. and by mid March numbers were several thousands.

**Turkey Vulture** This marks the earliest arrival in recent years. 2/9 JP BSc  
2/9 DA CCR

### Geese and Ducks

**Ross's Goose (241)** 1/17 BZ McN  
**Wood Duck** 3/8 JS FLK

**Eurasian Wigeon** First found by Barry Zimmer on Jan. 7, still seen on Jan 23. Tor

**Hooded Merganser** 1/23 BZ RRP  
**Common Merganser (over 1200)** 1/27 BZ Tor  
**Red-breasted Merganser** 1/17 BZ Tor

**Locations:** AMu-Archaeology Museum; BBn-Big Bend; Bor-Borderland Farms; BSc-Boy Scout; CCR-Country Club Rd; FHc-Fort Hancock Resv; FLk-Feather Lake; Gad-near Gadsden High; Hor-Horizon City; HTk-Hueco Tanks; Key-Keystone Marsh; McN-McNary Resv; Mon-Montana; Own-Owens house; R28-New Mexico Route 28; RRP-Railroad Pond; RBq-Rio Bosque Wetland Park; Tor-Tornillo Resv; Ton-Tonto.

### Birds of Prey

**Osprey** 1/18 JP McN

**White-tailed Kite** 3/1 JB RBq  
2d El Paso County record 3/8 JS RBq

**Bald Eagle** Not in our checklist area, but Jimmy Zabrieskie had an adult over the Rio Grande by his new home just north of Las Cruces.

**Harris' Hawk** Were observed regularly from Rio Bosque Wetlands Park down the river to McNary.

**Red-tailed Hawk** A nesting pair observed in the Franklins by John Kiseda during the hawkwatch.

**Golden Eagle** Observed near Ft Hancock reservoir by Barry Zimmer. This was an unusual location.

**Merlin** 1/23 BZ-y Ton  
**Peregrine Falcon** 1/25 DA Key  
**Prairie Falcon** 2/9 JP-y BSc

### Avocet thru Doves

**American Avocet** 3/11 BZ FHc  
**California Gull** 1/24 BZ Tor  
**Eurasian Collard-Dove** 1/23 JS RBq  
3/14 BZ-y Ton  
**Common-ground Dove** 1/24 BZ Own

### Hummingbirds to Nuthatch

**Rufous Hummingbird** 3/14 BZ-y Ton  
**Plumbeous Vireo** 2/18 DA Gad  
**American Crow (++)thousand** 1/31 JZ R28  
**Cave Swallow** 1/19 JS RBq  
**White-breasted Nuthatch** 2/10 FP Hor

### Thrushes and Sparrows

**Mountain Bluebird** 1/29 DA R28  
2/23 MLA AMU  
3/2 JP McN

**Varied Thrush** 1/24 BZ BBn  
3/4 HJ BBn

**Sprague's Pipet** 3/11 BZ Bor  
**Black-chinned Sparrow** 1/19 BJ-f HTk  
**Fox Sparrow** 2/9 DA Mon  
**White-throated Sparrow** 1/31 JZ R28

## FRIENDS of HUECO TANKS

**Admission:** Hueco Tanks Historical Park - **\$4.**  
**\$2** for Seniors 65, Children under 12 - **FREE.**

### Bird Identification Tours

Sunday	April	20	7:07 AM
Sunday	May	18	7:07 AM
Sunday	June	15	7:07 AM

Please check in at the Headquarters.  
Reservations and Information [857-1135](tel:857-1135).  
Leader Bob "Wildbirder" Johnson [757-1876](tel:757-1876).

## El Paso Heritage Week

*El Paso Heritage Festival 2003*

April 26 - May 5

Bridging the first Thanksgiving and Cinco de Mayo, El Paso Heritage Week offers a potpourri of historical tours, cultural festivals and gastronomic events, from history seminars to low-rider parades. Information: [533-1555](tel:533-1555), or [www.elpasoheritage.org](http://www.elpasoheritage.org).

Saturday, April 26, events focus on the Mission Trail, including the San Elizario Genealogy and Historical Society Conference. Information: [851-1682](tel:851-1682)

Upper Valley events include the Blues & Jazz Wine Festival at La Vina, a hike up Mount Cristo Rey, **Keystone Heritage Park Feather-fest** will feature educational exhibits, archaeology experts and guided walking tours. The day starts with a hike up Cristo Rey, hikes will leave at 8 and 8:30 AM .

Our chapter will be hosting a Bird Identification Booth at Keystone.

**Date:** April 26  
**Time:** 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
**Place:** Keystone Heritage Park

## Birds of the Eastern Slope

of the Franklin Mountains. See some of the birds that *John Kiseda* sees on his early morning walks through Memorial Park, and also when he goes up the tramway for the Hawk watch. Meet at the Garden Center in Memorial Park at **7:30 AM** for a short tour and then we meet again at the Tramway on McKinley at **9:00 AM**



American Coot and Herring Gull with Ring-billed Gulls at Keystone Marsh

## MIGRATORY BIRDS

Saturday **May 10** is the actual day to count migratory birds. This will be the Twelveth Annual North American Migration Count. The count data is kept like the Christmas Count, in that total number of birds by specie are recorded. The difference is that areas are not restricted, just keep your numbers by county. The NAMC collects no dues. You do not have to join, only participate. **THERE ARE NO FEES.**

*Call any Board member for details.*

## **BIRDATHON**

Don't forget our annual **BIRDATHON**, May 3 and 4 see special page in this issue.

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**Dates to Remember**  
Call Bob Johnson for details 757-1876

**April**

Feather Lake/Rio Bosque  
Sunday, 6th

Desert Birds  
Saturday, 12th

Board Meeting  
Monday, 14th

Hueco Tanks  
Sunday, 20th

General Meeting  
Feather Lake  
Monday, 21th

Heritage Day-Keystone  
Saturday, 26th

FloraFEST  
Sat & Sun 26th & 27th

**May**

BIRDATHON  
Sat & Sun, 3rd & 4th

International Migratory Bird Day  
Saturday, 10th

Rio Bosque Workday  
Saturday, 17th

Hueco Tanks & Rio Bosque  
Sunday, 18th

Board Meeting 5:30  
General Meeting 7:30  
Monday, 19th

Cave Creek, Arizona  
May 23rd-27th

**June**

Breakfast with Birds  
Saturday, 7th



# Lets "Spring" into Action! Audubon's Birdathon! 2003

Birdathon counters are already "in training & pumping-up", preparing for Birdathon 2003! What is Birdathon, you might ask? One thing is for sure, it's not your average bird count or fund-raiser! Birdathon is unusual and different: a wild weekend of birding and our organization's most important source of income for conservation & education programs.

**Birdathon! 2003 will occur on May 3<sup>rd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup>** & we hope you can join us for a full, rewarding weekend of birding throughout the El Paso area by **being a sponsor** and possibly even a counter (if you want to become part of the "Birdathon Flock" by becoming a birdathoner yourself, contact John Kiseda by 4/30, at 533-4615 for details).

**Birdathon! 2003** will benefit the following programs and projects:

## **EDUCATION, CONSERVATION & "our own" FEATHER LAKE WILDLIFE SANCTUARY.**

Birdathon is the main source of funding used in support of our Audubon Adventures youth program and our other conservation and education endeavors such as those at Feather Lake Wildlife Sanctuary.

## **EL PASO ZOO CONSERVATION GREENHOUSE PROJECT.**

The El Paso Zoological Society & the El Paso Zoo will partner with us to establish a greenhouse on the zoo grounds that will be used to nurture and grow native plants that can be used by local conservation organizations to aid in the restoration of disturbed and neglected habitat areas. The facility will also be readily accessible to zoo visitors & be useful for conservation education and citizen participation.

## **CHIHUAHUAN DESERT WILDLIFE RESCUE.**

Our "two county" wildlife rehabilitation organization will once again be a recipient of our Birdathon efforts; this year's event will provide funding for the construction of artificial nesting burrows for wild Burrowing Owls that are in need of help.

**TEXAS AUDUBON SOCIETY.** Our support helps to ensure that this NAS office based in Texas can be an effective, respected voice for the Texas (& especially our West Texas) environment.

## **How Birdathon Works**

On the weekend of **May 3-4**, our dedicated Birdathon counters will be busy scouring the countryside, trying to find as many bird species as possible, in a single 24-hour blitz. These hardy (some might say foolhardy) & intrepid individuals will start early, stay out late, visit varied wildlife habitats and give their eyes, ears and bird knowledge a full workout. Why do they push themselves so hard? For the pleasure of a day afield, for the chance to collect meaningful data for a nationwide census project, for a test of their birding skills and **most importantly, for a better West Texas environment.** Each counter will be backed by sponsors who pledge either a given amount for each species seen or a fixed total amount. Most counters will see 50 to 100 species. A pledge of, say \$0.50 per species for 60 species would result in a contribution of \$30.

**Fully 95%** of Birdathon income goes to projects; 5% pays for fundraising costs (printing, paper, postage, etc.).

**All Birdathon sponsors are entered in our ever-popular drawings for a number of great prizes such as binoculars, birdfeeders, books and the like. Counters will also be eligible for some cool prizes.**

**So, whom can you sponsor for Birdathon?** This year's roster of outstanding counters are a hardy and dedicated bunch, most of whom have been involved in a number of Birdathons. If you supported one of these people last year, please give them a call & sponsor them again. If you don't know any of the counters personally and don't know whom to choose, please give Betty Fisbeck a call at 581-0174 and she will help you to do that!

Almost all [if not all] of these hardworking people will be back at it, "fighting the good fight" this year and ready to do their all for the Birdathon! 2003! **HOW ABOUT YOU? WILL YOU DO YOUR PART?**

**Birdathon Stalwarts: The Counters**

Mary Lou Alcorn	Craig & Darbie Braginton	Joe Cancellare	Elizabeth Chase
Joshua Ditlevson	Cliff Eidson	Betty Fisbeck	Jane Fowler
Richard Hermosillo	Sally & Hugh Jameson	Bob Johnson	John Kiseda
Katie Lino	Jim Paton	Susie Schneider	Marcy Scott
Charles Simpson	John Sproul	Kathy Whelen	Nancy Wilson
Jim Zabriskie	Martine Sierra		

and Special Student Counters from Parkland Elementary School, Clark Middle School & possibly Bowie High!

Please pick one or more individuals or groups and give them your support!

**Pot-luck Dinner.**

The prize drawings will take place at our annual post-Birdathon pot-luck. It will start at **6 PM on Sunday May 4th**, at the Garden Center, **3105 Grant**, in Memorial Park in El Paso. Reports of the weekend's best birds, great food and the results of our prize drawings await you! How about joining us? **ALL ARE INVITED!!!**

Whether it's \$.25 per species, \$1.00 per species or any given amount, we hope you will consider a Birdathon pledge. Have you already made your Birdathon 2003 pledge? **Excellent!** If not, please pick one or more counters to sponsor and return the enclosed card today. Your support makes the work Audubon does, possible. **Thank you very much, for your generosity and support!**

Sincerely,

John Kiseda, Jane Fowler & Betty Fisbeck  
Birdathon Coordinators

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**El Paso/Trans-Pecos Audubon Society**

**BIRDATHON! 2003**

YES! I'll sponsor \_\_\_\_\_  
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