

Audubon New York's Board Comes to Albany

By Shirley Hartman

AUDUBON NEW YORK's quarterly board meeting commenced with a well-attended cocktail reception at the Albany Institute of History and Art, in Albany, New York. Over 75 guests joined the board to learn more about Audubon's statewide efforts.

The following day, the board toured Audubon New York's administrative offices and walked the trails that ramble through the 200 acres behind the facility. Audubon New York plans to purchase the buildings, the twenty-acre lot on which they are located, as well as the natural areas that border the offices.

By the year 2010, a state of the art environmental education center will be designed and a concurrent capital campaign will be implemented to create an Albany Audubon Center.

Once at work, the board officially welcomed new member Polly Bruckmann, reviewed Audubon New York's updated website, and restructured Audubon New York's centers plan. Audubon New York's finances met with approval from the board as well. The next board meeting is scheduled for June 24 and 25 in Montauk, New York.



State Senator and Environmental Conservation Committee Chairman, Carl Marcellino addresses guests at Audubon New York reception.

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David J. Miller, Executive Director of Audubon New York (left) speaks with State Senator Carl Andrews about the Prospect Park Audubon Center.



Carole Nemore, Director of Conservation for Audubon New York (left) shares a laugh with Erin Crotty, Commissioner of New York State's Department of Environmental Conservation (center) and Lynette Stark, Deputy Secretary, Governor's Office.



(Left to right) Richard Winsten of Meyer, Suozzi, English and Klein speaks with Constantine Sidamon-Eristoff, Audubon New York Chairman and Oakes Ames, Audubon New York Vice-Chairman.



(Left to right) Connie Eristoff enjoys catching up with Senator and Mrs. George Onorato.

Audubon in Your Future: Transcending Generations

By Jan Hesbon

AUDUBON HAS TOUCHED the lives of birdwatchers for many generations. Hundreds of thousands of nature lovers, of all ages, have been educated by Audubon. Our vision to increase this outreach through a network of Audubon Centers, is the result of over 100 years of success in connecting people with nature. Audubon New York is also working to protect New York's most critical habitats, ensuring healthy populations and diversity of birds for future birders and naturalists alike.

Through the years, Audubon has nurtured a family of friends as bird enthusiasts and advocates for our natural world. For some, the Audubon family has become so important that they plan to ensure Audubon's future for generations to come.

You may also believe that the combination of advocacy, education and sound science is the most effective way to create a culture of conservation. But have you considered supporting Audubon through gift planning from your estate? Consider your most significant assets: your home, your retirement plans, your long-held investments or your life insurance policies. Did you know that you can name Audubon as the beneficiary of any one of those assets or even a portion of them? Did you also know that some assets make better gifts to charity than to family members because of tax laws?

For more information about bequests and other planned gifts, contact Jan Hesbon, Planned Giving Officer, Audubon New York, 200 Trillium Lane, Albany, New York 12203, 845-369-1493; jhesbon@audubon.org



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It's what you leave for future generations of birds and birdwatchers.

For years, you have supported Audubon's protection of birds, wildlife and habitat.

Help us sustain the culture of conservation for the next generation.

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