

Harford Bird Club Youth Birdwatching Contest



To encourage the appreciation of watching wildlife, particularly birds in Harford County, the Harford Bird Club (HBC) is sponsoring a youth bird watching contest. The top two Harford County youths (ages 10-17) that see the most species of birds in Harford County between March 1 and May 31, 2010, will receive a bird watching backpack, complete with binoculars (Eagle Optics Triumph), Junior bird watching guide, Field Guide, binocular cleaner pen, and a Harford County bird checklist - a \$150 value. Contact Mark Johnson to register or for questions at Mark.Steven.Johnson@comcast.net or call 410-692-5978. See www.harfordbirdclub.org for further information. Registration deadline is February 28!

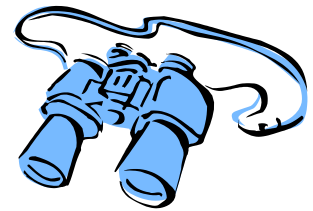
Junior Birdwatching Course

Date: Saturday, March 20

Time: 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Ages: 10 – 17

Cost: Free



Anita C. Leight Estuary Center is hosting a kick-off birding course for young birdwatchers. This one-day course is geared for students between 10 and 17 years of age and is a nice primer for those interested in birdwatching and entering the Youth Birdwatching Competition (sponsored by the Maryland Ornithological Society and the Harford Bird Club). Get the edge on your competition with a bird identification program with local birding guru and competition coordinator Mark Johnson. Students may also register for the competition at that time. Wear appropriate shoes if weather conditions allow for an outside walk. Binoculars will be provided, or bring your own. This program is free, but preregistration is required. For reservations, contact the Estuary Center at 410-612-1688.

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