

Year in Review

For the members and supporters of Mass Audubon



Mass Audubon
ANNUAL REPORT

2015



Mass Audubon works to protect the nature of Massachusetts for people and wildlife. Together with more than 100,000 members, we care for 35,000 acres of conservation land, provide school, camp, and other educational programs for 225,000 children and adults annually, and advocate for sound environmental policies at local, state, and federal levels. Founded in 1896 by two inspirational women who were committed to the protection of birds, Mass Audubon is now one of the largest and most prominent conservation organizations in New England. Today we are respected for our sound science, successful advocacy, and innovative approaches to connecting people and nature. Each year, our statewide network of wildlife sanctuaries welcomes nearly half a million visitors of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds and serves as the base for our work. To support these important efforts, call 800-AUDUBON (800-283-8266) or visit massaudubon.org.

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Impact. Effectiveness. Change. Progress. Fun. Commitment.

These are just some of the words that we have been hearing and saying a lot this past year. As we endeavored to create a new Strategic Plan for Mass Audubon, we wanted to truly reflect on what matters to us as we carry out our mission of protecting the nature of Massachusetts for people and wildlife.

One thing we knew for certain was that we couldn't create a vision for the future without the guidance and input from our many stakeholders. We looked for advice in every corner. The input from our members, donors, partners, volunteers, staff, and governance members all came together to enhance the enthusiasm for our planning process.

Familiar themes were mixed with new bold ideas. Then our goals and aspirations for the future were carefully considered in the context of the many opportunities and challenges we face. In the end we are proud to launch a Strategic Plan that will guide us for the next five years, focusing on three Strategic Goals:

- Connect People and Nature for the Benefit of Both**
- Protect and Care for Land and Habitats of Significance**
- Address the Challenge of Climate Change in Massachusetts**

While we were planning our future, we were also paying careful attention to the path we were on. Just a few of the highlights of the past year are contained in the pages that follow. There are countless other accomplishments and achievements to celebrate: from sea turtle rescues to new trails for all people to explore—this has been an exciting year.

Our work, of course, would not be possible without the commitment of our community of supporters. We are grateful to everyone that has engaged with us over the past year, and we look forward to sharing Mass Audubon's bright future with you!

Sincerely,

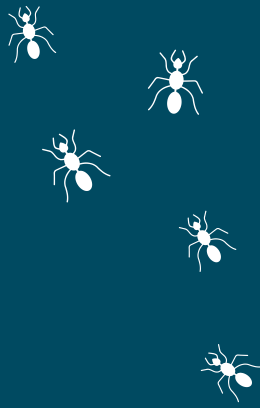
Jared Chase,
Chair, Board of Directors

Gary Clayton
President

10,000

children

attended one of Mass Audubon's summer camps, where they learned about everything from insects to astronomy...and had a lot of fun!



200,000

Galerucella beetles

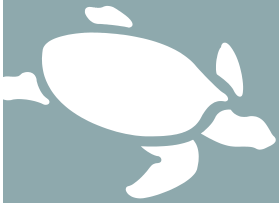
were released by Mass Audubon's ecological management department in an effort to control purple loosestrife, an invasive plant degrading wetlands.



1,255+

sea turtles

washed ashore in Cape Cod Bay, prompting the largest rescue effort ever at Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary.



By the NUMBERS 2015



28

volunteers

logged 1,000 hours caring for Habitat Education Center's 8 Nigerian dwarf goats. These goats help manage the land by eating invasive plants, and they also entertain curious visitors.

62%

of cities and towns

in Massachusetts have Mass Audubon educators working in their public and private schools.



377

members

switched to green electricity this past year through our Make the Switch program, keeping 465,224 pounds of CO₂ out of the atmosphere—the equivalent of taking 140 cars off the road.

4

licensed nature preschools, including our newest addition of the Ipswich River Nature Preschool at Endicott Wildlife Sanctuary in Wenham, welcome children for fun and learning.

271

bird species

were seen during the 24 hours of Bird-a-thon, including the familiar American robin and the elusive brown booby.





Land Protected by Mass Audubon within the Past 12 Months

Total Acres Conserved within the Past 12 Months 264.84

Land Under Mass Audubon Stewardship as of June 30, 2015

Acres Owned by Mass Audubon 30,191.0

Acres under Mass Audubon Conservation Restrictions 5,563.0

Total Acres of Conserved Land 35,754.0

Mass Audubon permanently protects more than 35,000 acres of land across Massachusetts, providing important opportunities for people to experience the wonders of nature firsthand while also safeguarding a wide range of habitats and native species. This year, with the support of generous individuals, foundations, families, businesses, communities, and public and private partners, we protected 265 acres of important habitat and land across Massachusetts.

Accreditation, Check!

As a committed leader of the vibrant land trust community in Massachusetts, Mass Audubon has always advocated that trusts of all sizes operate at the highest standards. And we are no exception. This is why, two years ago, Mass Audubon began the arduous process of applying for land trust accreditation.

Accreditation provides Mass Audubon with the benefit of an unbiased outside assessment from other land conservation professionals. The application process included submitting extensive documentation and a rigorous review of our land acquisitions and practices.

We are happy to report that this past summer, the Land Trust Accreditation Commission, an independent program of the Land Trust Alliance, officially awarded Mass Audubon accreditation.

“This designation enhances Mass Audubon’s reputation as a model for responsible land conservation and stewardship, not only in how we approach our own projects, but as

a willing partner with other conservation groups and government agencies,” said Gary Clayton, President.

With more than 35,000 acres under protection, Mass Audubon is the largest owner of privately conserved land in the state. As such, we serve as one of the most influential land trusts in New England and help engage the public in appreciating and supporting preservation of significant open space.

Bob Wilber, Director of Land Conservation, added “Receiving land trust accreditation is powerful validation of Mass Audubon operating at a high level as a private land conservation organization, reflecting our leadership role in the Commonwealth’s vibrant land trust community.”

To learn more about Mass Audubon’s land protection work, visit massaudubon.org/land.



Gifts of Sanctuary Land

National Grid

Broad Meadow Brook Wildlife Sanctuary, Worcester

National Grid donated 29.1-acres in Worcester to Mass Audubon, in conjunction with a major upgrade to their transmission lines. The property had been managed as part of our Broad Meadow Brook Wildlife Sanctuary since 1991 and contains associated riparian wetlands and forested uplands. The Commonwealth designated the entire property in its BioMap study as Core Habitat, indicating that it is among the most important lands in the state for preservation of biodiversity.

Purchases of Sanctuary Land

Alan and Janet Gray

Stony Brook Wildlife Sanctuary, Norfolk

Mass Audubon purchased this strategically located 4.3-acre parcel thanks to a very generous bargain sale from siblings Alan and Janet Gray, the assistance of the town of Norfolk, the state's new Conservation Land Tax Credit program, and donations from many generous individuals. This highly developable upland parcel, forested with pine and mixed hardwoods, links our Stony Brook Wildlife Sanctuary to the town's Lind Conservation Farm. In addition to securing an important wildlife and trail corridor, the property feeds the water-supply wells of nearby MCI-Norfolk and provides habitat for wildlife reliant on a nearby vernal pool.

Purchases of Conservation Restrictions

City of Northampton

Arcadia Wildlife Sanctuary, Northampton

Thanks to the generosity of the McCane-Chin Fund for Land Protection and other donors, Mass Audubon purchased a conservation restriction on 47.6 acres of forest, scrublands, and wetlands just west of our Arcadia Wildlife Sanctuary. This is part of an ongoing conservation partnership with the city of Northampton Conservation Commission, which purchased the land. The parcel has long been a Mass Audubon priority, part of a group of properties on the western side of Route 10 that are a key link in a natural corridor running from Arcadia to the open lands of western Northampton. The property also abuts the new bike trail connecting the city centers of Northampton and Easthampton, and will host a trail spur to improve access from other Northampton neighborhoods.

Gifts of Conservation Restrictions

Dudley Conservation Land Trust

Dudley

Longtime land protection partner Dudley Conservation Land Trust (DCLT) donated a conservation restriction on 70-acres of forest, streams, and a pond to Mass Audubon on land generously donated to the trust by brothers Fran and Tom Wieloch. The land was owned by the Wieloch family for three generations, used first for grazing heifers, and in more recent years for hunting, fishing, and passive recreation. The property borders an artificial pond (now being restored to stream and wetlands by removal of the dam) and the railbed of the never-completed Grand Trunk Railway. It has trails, wood roads, and vantage points that lend themselves nicely to low-impact trail-based recreation. The property is less than a mile from another DCLT property on which Mass Audubon holds a conservation restriction, and the project continues the two organizations' partnership to protect and care for important lands in Dudley, including our nearby Pierpont Meadow Wildlife Sanctuary.

Town of Sharon

Moose Hill Wildlife Sanctuary, Sharon

Mass Audubon assisted the town of Sharon Conservation Commission, with whom we have collaborated often in recent years, to protect 10.58 acres of property identified as one of that municipality's top priorities for conservation. The property abuts a section of Massapoag Brook (a tributary of the Neponset River), buffers abutting land designated by the Natural Heritage & Endangered Species Program (NHESP) as Priority Habitat, and is identified in the state BioMap report as Supporting Natural Landscape. While not directly abutting our Moose Hill Wildlife Sanctuary, the property is linked to it via an extensive wetland system and wildlife corridor associated with Massapoag Brook.

Town of Rowley

Rough Meadows Wildlife Sanctuary, Rowley

Mass Audubon partnered with the town of Rowley, a valued collaborator in the recent establishment of Rough Meadows Wildlife Sanctuary, to protect 103 acres of ecologically rich land granted by King Charles I in 1635 and owned continuously by the Bradstreet family. It is one of the last remaining "King's Grant" properties in New England, and part of the 25,000-acre Great Marsh ecosystem—the largest salt marsh system between Long Island and the Gulf of Maine. In addition, this important property is part of Rowley's Central Historic District, is highlighted in Massachusetts' Scenic Landscape Inventory, is identified as BioMap Core Habitat and NHESP Priority Habitat, comprises part of a state-designated Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC), and is a Mass Audubon Important Bird Area (IBA).

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A Message from the Treasurer

As is its overall mission, Mass Audubon's "economy" is multifaceted and closely linked to our members and the communities we serve. The strong financial results from fiscal year 2015 reflect our success in connecting people to the natural world and would not be possible without the support of our members, donors, partners, and program participants. I am pleased to share with you these highlights:

- For the 12th year in a row we had a balanced budget—achieving or exceeding income targets in all categories.
- We were recognized again by Charity Navigator with its highest rating (Four Stars), reflecting our strong financial results and good governance policies.
- Our program income continued to reach new heights due to the exciting and relevant programs for participants of all ages and backgrounds.
- The loyalty of our 100,000 members and the addition of thousands of new members helped us reach an all-time record in membership income.
- Total financial gifts and contributions exceeded \$11 million—including over \$2 million to enhance our facilities and protect additional land.
- Bequests and legacy gifts exceeded \$3.7 million—strengthening our endowment and helping build long-term sustainability and flexibility for our work.

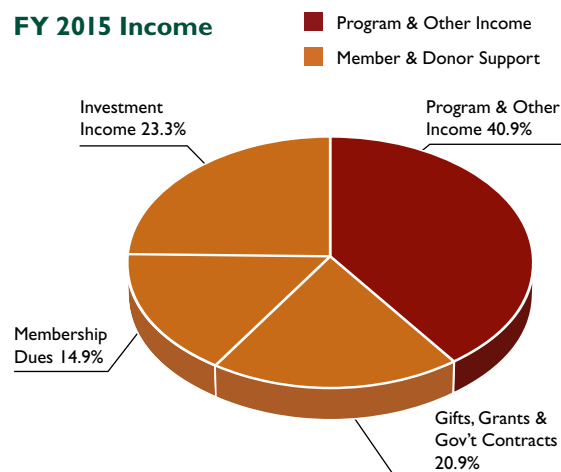
While there are always financial challenges before us, we continually strive to be as transparent, ethical, and efficient as possible with the funds that are entrusted to us. With these guiding principles and the ongoing, effective collaboration between the staff and Board of Directors, we will launch our new Strategic Plan with confidence and a strong financial base.

With gratitude,

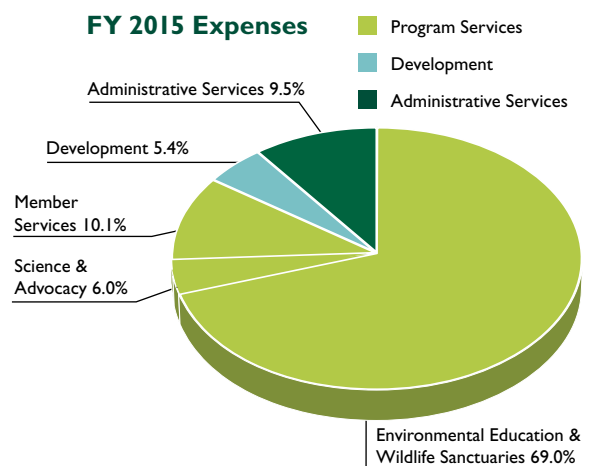


James Sperling, *Treasurer*

FY 2015 Income



FY 2015 Expenses



Operating Results

	FY 2015	FY 2014	FY 2013
Gifts, Grants, & Government Contracts	\$4,565,385	\$5,028,713	\$3,998,660
Budgeted Unrestricted Bequests*	250,000	250,000	250,000
Membership Dues	3,438,887	3,396,060	3,362,275
Program Income	8,923,077	8,087,826	7,614,366
Investment Income	5,333,001	5,092,132	5,142,365
Other Income	497,714	(272,966)**	758,236
Total Operating Income	\$23,008,064	\$21,581,765	\$21,125,902
Environmental Education & Wildlife Sanctuaries	\$15,869,428	\$14,990,052	\$14,827,021
Science & Advocacy	1,386,833	955,064	891,093
Member Services	2,330,142	2,173,549	2,190,292
Administrative Services	2,174,490	2,245,987	2,141,312
Development	1,246,882	1,216,866	1,075,256
Total Operating Expenses	\$23,007,775	\$21,581,518	\$21,124,974
Operating Surplus	\$289	\$247	\$928

* An additional \$517,747 was received in unrestricted bequests in FY 2015. These critical funds are added to a Board reserve fund, which is available for special investments such as land purchases, energy conservation, all-person accessibility, and major building repairs.

** Income received as restricted operating funds, being transferred to FY 2015.

A complete copy of the audited financial statements is available upon request from Mass Audubon Vice President for Operations Bancroft Poor. Members should feel free to contact him at 781-259-2110 or bpoor@massaudubon.org with any questions about Mass Audubon's finances.

New Force for Education

Kris Scopinich, Mass Audubon's new Director of Education, came to Mass Audubon in 2001 as the Education Manager for Drumlin Farm in Lincoln. For 14 years, she oversaw inspiring and innovative programs connecting thousands of children and adults to the outdoors. In addition, Kris recognized the emerging needs beyond Drumlin Farm's boundaries, and worked with colleagues and partners to develop programs such as Lowell Leaders in Stewardship, Digital Environmental Education Project, RiverSchools Network, and Leaders in Environmental Access for All.

In her new role as Director of Education, Kris will build staff capacity, leverage successful programs, and encourage collaboration across sanctuaries, as well as lead in implementing the educational goals in our new Strategic Plan. "I'm so excited to work with colleagues across our statewide network of wildlife sanctuaries in order to bring Mass Audubon's educational programs and vision to the next level, building on our incredibly strong foundation, expanding our reach to include new communities, and developing learning environments that encourage people of all ages to explore their interrelationship with the environment as well as the role they can play in its conservation. We have a great opportunity to make a significant and lasting impact, and I look forward to facilitating and supporting our dedicated and talented educators in making this happen."

Anyone who has met Kris knows her boundless enthusiasm for connecting people and nature. We look forward to seeing our award-winning education programs blossom under her care. To learn more about education at Mass Audubon, visit massaudubon.org/education.

Young Volunteers Make a Difference at Broadmoor

What do you get when you combine two talented high school students with a long "to-do list" at Natick's Broadmoor Wildlife Sanctuary? A lot done! Dover-Sherborn High School students Brian Cavanaugh and Wolfgang "Wolfie" Breves made our mission theirs this year by focusing their senior project on the local environment. For six weeks, Brian and Wolfie each devoted 20 hours a week, enthusiastically helping Broadmoor with a variety of tasks including working the welcome desk, repairing potholes, mulching native plant gardens, monitoring 55 bluebird and swallow nest boxes, pulling invasive garlic mustard, and organizing skulls and bones for children's programs. These two young men were notably impressed with MathWorks volunteers who "worked without compensation" with them on with trail maintenance work. Brian and Wolfie also helped Sanctuary Director Elissa Landre track cavity-nesting birds, witnessing nest buildings and egg laying, reporting the first featherless babies, and assisting banding of the first clutch of bluebirds.

Wolfie has expressed that he wants to study physics at University of Vermont and Brian isn't yet sure what his major will be. Whatever career paths they choose, our world will always need physicists and lawyers, teachers and engineers who love and care about nature and protecting our wild places. Both Brian and Wolfie agree that they will not forget what they have learned through their experiences at Broadmoor.

The connections to nature Mass Audubon provides through our volunteer programs are as varied and unique as the volunteers. To learn more about volunteering, visit massaudubon.org/volunteer.





New Places to Explore!

Our quest to provide even more ways to enjoy the wonders of nature in Massachusetts continues. In the past year, we've cut the ribbon at a new wildlife sanctuary and added more trails to existing sanctuaries.

This summer 110-acre Richardson Brook Wildlife Sanctuary opened in the southwestern Massachusetts town of Tolland. On its two miles of trails that lead to its namesake brook, you can discover healthy stands of red oak, sugar maple, and yellow birch, as well as hemlock and white pine. You may even encounter a moose!

Endicott Wildlife Sanctuary in Wenham has long served as offices for several staff members. Now everyone can enjoy its mature forest of towering hardwoods and conifers and a view of a lush meadow via the new Ellice Endicott Trail. Visitors during the week may also hear the gleeful sound of engaged children: the Ipswich River Nature Preschool at Endicott launched in September.

Our Accessible Trails Project continues to break new ground, providing nature experiences for people of all ages and abilities. The most recent addition: the Sensory Trail at North River Wildlife Sanctuary in Marshfield. Thanks to the generosity of The Salah Foundation, this trail includes tactile natural history information for visitors with vision impairments, a trail and boardwalk with a compacted smooth surface that meets ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) requirements, and trail information available in audio, large-print format, and Braille.

And we are already hard at work on a few more interpretive accessible trails at three different wildlife sanctuaries, opening in 2016. For more information, visit massaudubon.org/land.

Stony Brook's Indoor Education Space Gets an Upgrade

As Stony Brook Wildlife Sanctuary in Norfolk celebrated its 50th anniversary, the objective was clear: to remain a vibrant, accessible, and inspirational sanctuary where the program facilities match the quality of our programming. Thanks to a \$50,000 grant from the Iorio Charitable Foundation and matching funds from the community, we made progress toward that goal, and the summer campers at Stony Brook were treated to a newly renovated camp education room.

This fun activity room, located inside the sanctuary's nature center, serves many purposes: as a home base for campers, a laboratory for students, a work space for teachers, a planning area for the sanctuary's teacher-naturalists, an art room, a kitchen, a supply closet, and much more. Improvements include updated lighting, room for educators to work and storage, and a rejuvenated adjacent outdoor area to meet the changing needs of staff, program participants, and visitors.

This transformative project is an example of Mass Audubon's commitment that our nature centers support and enhance the rich experiences we provide to families, school and camp children, and individuals of all ages and abilities. Come visit one of our sanctuaries soon and see for yourself! For more information, visit massaudubon.org/stonybrook.



Grassland Birds

To Study and to Save

The image of the New England farm, perched on a hill amid red barns, sheep in the meadows, and fields of hay, has become an increasingly rare sight. When we lose our large farms and intensify our agricultural practices, we also lose the birds that call our fields home. By nearly all measures the iconic breeding grassland birds of New England are imperiled, and without innovative, enhanced large-scale management, the persistence of eastern meadowlarks, grasshopper sparrows, and upland sandpipers are all at risk in the region.

Our 2013 *Breeding Bird Atlas 2* guided us to reinvigorate our focus on breeding grassland birds. From there it was a logical step to resurvey sites from across New England covered in our 1997-2000 grassland bird survey. That work gave us a baseline understanding of the distribution and abundance of these species. From 2014-2015, in partnership with the Vermont Center for Ecostudies, the University of Delaware, as well as other nonprofits and state agencies, we visited the same sites to evaluate the trends of these species. Preliminary results from the samples at more than 500 sites indicate alarming declines across the suite of grassland nesting species, declines that echo our results from the *Atlas 2* and add urgency to our need to make a home for these species.

As we lose our farm fields to suburban development, pressure builds on the remaining fields for increasing hay cutting, or for production of row crops. Mass Audubon is working with farmers and state officials to find ways to embrace the spirit of community agriculture and build in supports for nature, too. To find out how you can help, visit massaudubon.org/grasslandbirds.

The Power of Community

A Record-Breaking Sea Turtle Stranding Season

When water temperatures dip below 50 degrees, tides are high, and onshore winds are blowing, sea turtles (mainly endangered Kemp's ridleys) wash ashore on Cape Cod. Last year conditions prompted the largest rescue effort ever by staff and volunteers at Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary. The 2014 sea turtle stranding season not only set a new record, it demonstrated the power of community and determination in the face of an unexpected and enormous challenge.

Bill Allan, a volunteer who coordinates Mass Audubon's sea turtle rescue efforts for Eastham, has been doing beach patrols for a dozen years. "I'd never seen anything like it. Every place you stopped—looked right, a couple of turtles, looked left, another turtle."

Over the course of the stranding season, more than 1,250 turtles were picked up, nearly triple the previous record of 413 in 2012. In the midst of this overwhelming challenge, 150 volunteers and staff came together. In addition to walking the beaches to locate the turtles, they stocked the nature center with towels, banana boxes (one for each turtle!), kiddie pools, heaters, coolers, and food for staff and volunteers. Then they drove the turtles to the New England Aquarium's Animal Care Center for further rehab and release efforts.

When the Aquarium was at capacity, the volunteers received a crash course in turtle "swimming" and the sanctuary became an overnight triage center. Generous supporters made financial contributions that provided the resources Sanctuary Director Bob Prescott needed to respond to so many turtles whose lives hung in the balance on cold, wintry beaches. Wellfleet Bay continues its commitment to rescuing stranded sea turtles and is bracing for this year's season. To learn more about its efforts, visit massaudubon.org/seaturtles.



Our PROGRESS

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Mass Audubon gratefully acknowledges the individuals, foundations, corporations, and government agencies whose generous financial contributions and pledges provided critical support for our conservation, education, and advocacy efforts between July 1, 2014, and June 30, 2015. We are pleased to recognize the leading contributors and express our gratitude to our more than 100,000 members. For gifts of land during this period, see pages 2-3.



Symbol Key:

★ A Visionary—an individual who has provided \$2,500 or more in support for Mass Audubon's general operations or operating support for a particular sanctuary or program

✧ An individual who passed away this year

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Including individuals and individuals giving through foundations

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In Memoriam: George Butterworth

Mass Audubon lost a true champion this year with the passing of George Butterworth. George was a member of the Board of Directors from 1987-2004, and during his impressive tenure he served as Treasurer and Chair of the Investment, Administration/Finance, and Auditing Committees. He was elected as an Honorary Director upon leaving the Board, and to acknowledge his generosity and service to Mass Audubon he was also recognized as a Life Member.

George was deeply devoted to land protection and personally helped protect many acres as well as assisting in the negotiation and closing on many complex acquisition projects. His considerable legal and financial expertise matched by his strong professional ethic and unwavering commitment to conservation helped us truly advance our mission.

We are grateful to the Cricket Foundation and other individual donors who established the George Butterworth III Endowment at Wildwood. This fund will support our residential camp—helping connect hundreds of children each year to the wonders of nature. A strong proponent of the camp, George demonstrated a vision and generosity for this special place that this fund will link him with forever.

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“We missed rock pigeon (again), northern flicker, Carolina wren, white-throated sparrow, and house finch, but saw some wonderful birds and were very satisfied with our total of 80 species identified and more than \$1,000 raised for Wachusett Meadow. To bird without motorized transport reduces your options, but it expands your senses.”



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Drumlin Farm has been “in the family” for over 20 years for Jesús del Alamo and Sophie Vandebroek. When their children were little, they loved the hayrides and seeing newly hatched chicks. As teenagers, the kids volunteered at the farmstand and in the fields. More recently, Sophie and Jesús have enjoyed wild mushroom field trips, cooking classes, and an amazing caterpillar celebration. And as local food enthusiasts, they make time in their busy lives to shop at the farmstand every weekend all season long. “Drumlin Farm is a wholesome, intelligent, and fun place for the whole family. We feel blessed having this treasure at the heart of Lincoln!”

Sophie and Jesús help make Drumlin Farm’s work possible as enthusiastic participants in the annual auction, as generous supporters of Drumlin Farm’s Landscape for Learning campaign, and as Leadership Friends.



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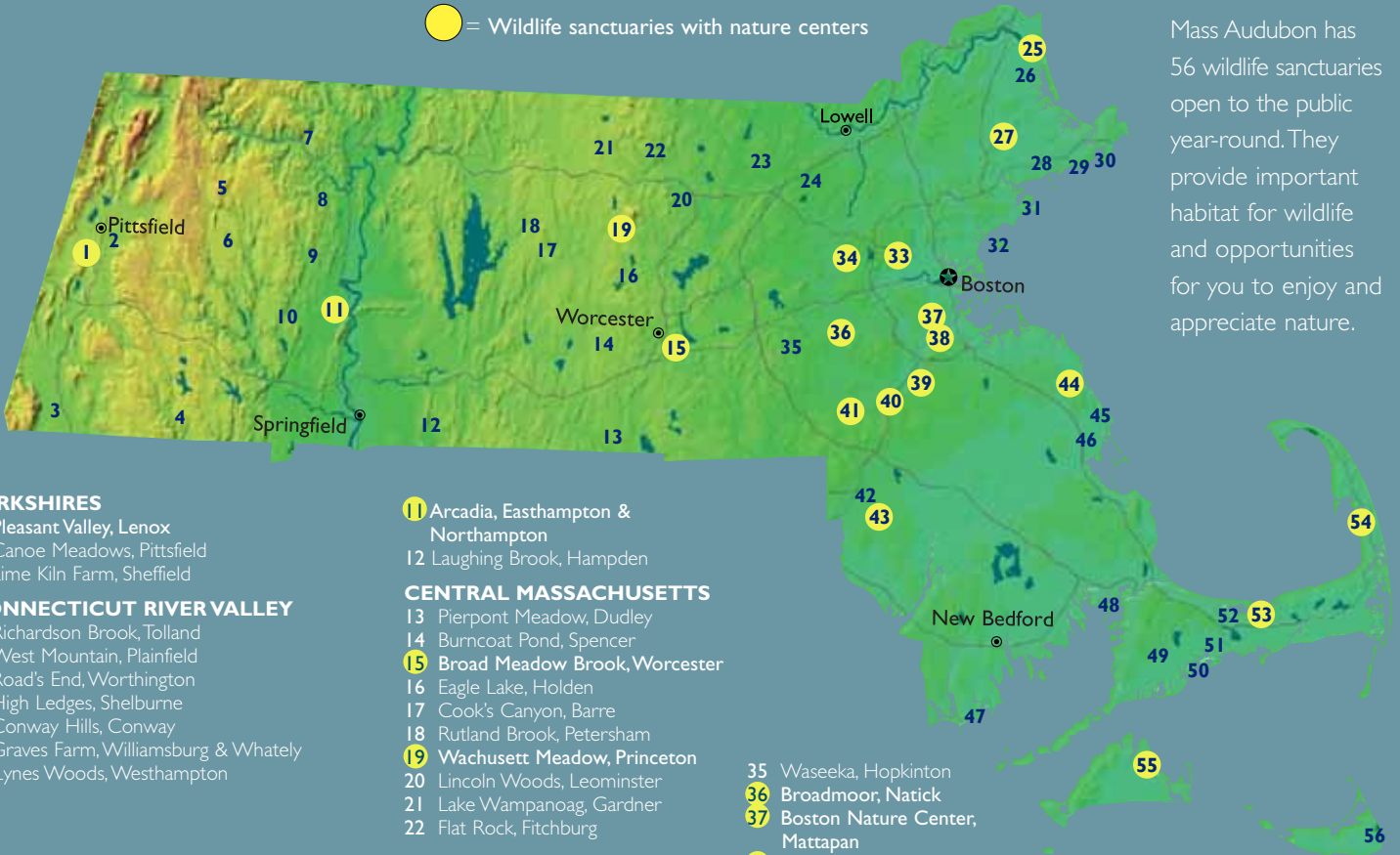


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- 1 Pleasant Valley, Lenox
- 2 Canoe Meadows, Pittsfield
- 3 Lime Kiln Farm, Sheffield

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- 4 Richardson Brook, Tolland
- 5 West Mountain, Plainfield
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- 7 High Ledges, Shelburne
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- 13 Pierpont Meadow, Dudley
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- 15 Broad Meadow Brook, Worcester
- 16 Eagle Lake, Holden
- 17 Cook's Canyon, Barre
- 18 Rutland Brook, Petersham
- 19 Wachusett Meadow, Princeton
- 20 Lincoln Woods, Leominster
- 21 Lake Wampanoag, Gardner
- 22 Flat Rock, Fitchburg

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- 23 Rocky Hill, Groton
- 24 Nashoba Brook, Westford
- 25 Joppa Flats, Newburyport
- 26 Rough Meadows, Rowley
- 27 Ipswich River, Topsfield
- 28 Endicott, Wenham
- 29 Kettle Island, Manchester-by-the-Sea
- 30 Eastern Point, Gloucester
- 31 Marblehead Neck, Marblehead
- 32 Nahant Thicket, Nahant

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- 33 Habitat, Belmont
- 34 Drumlin Farm, Lincoln

- 35 Waseeka, Hopkinton
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- 37 Boston Nature Center, Mattapan
- 38 Blue Hills Trailside Museum, Milton
- 39 Museum of American Bird Art at Mass Audubon, Canton

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- 40 Moose Hill, Sharon
- 41 Stony Brook, Norfolk
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- 43 Oak Knoll, Attleboro
- 44 North River, Marshfield
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- 54 Wellfleet Bay, Wellfleet
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