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Celebrating 20 Years 1987–2007 of Helping People Help the Environment

BY RONALD DODSON, PRESIDENT AND CEO

Twenty years ago, the Audubon Society of New York State (ASNY) was born. Or, perhaps more accurately, *born again*. First established nearly 100 years earlier by conservation giants Theodore Roosevelt, Frank Chapman, and John Burroughs, ASNY had ceased meeting by the mid-1930s. The original founders rallied supporters to stop wearing bird feathers for fashion, a practice that was helping to drive the large scale slaughter of birds in the late 1800s. By offering a positive vision for the future and empowering people to take action, they achieved extraordinary results. It was time to do that again.

By 1987, I had already been involved in the environmental movement for nearly 20 years. Increasingly, I was being told by citizens that I met with: “Stop telling me how much we’re harming the environment. Stop telling me all the things I’m doing wrong, and tell me what you want me to do. Tell me what to do that is *right*.”

People weren’t asking if they could simply write another check to an environmental organization or call their elected state representative to complain about this or that. They weren’t asking what they could do to “Save the Whales,” or “Save the



Rainforest,” or “Save (fill in the blank),” which is what many other organizations were asking them to do. They were asking how to make a meaningful contribution in their own lives, and in their homes, work places, neighborhoods, and communities.

And so we began with no more than a small, donated office in Latham, New York, a few dedicated volunteers, and a vision: *to help people help the environment*. We also set

out to involve people from all walks of life in conservation activities. Preaching to the choir would never bring about widespread results. An inclusive approach, one that invited anyone to become involved, became a cornerstone of our organization and its programs.

The first five years

In the early years, members of the Audubon Society of New York State participated principally in bird conservation projects, namely the Nest Box Network, Loon Conservation Project, and an annual Bird Feeding Survey. In 1987, nearly 500 people mounted and monitored nest boxes, while 56 volunteers surveyed 120 lakes for evidence of nesting loon activity.

Two years later, ASNY received a major bequest of land from Dr. Robert Rienow, who was, along with his wife Leona, a lifetime champion of protecting the environment. Rienow



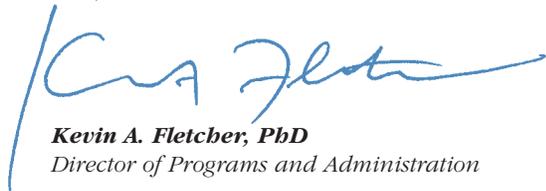
Dear Members and Supporters,

This New Year is especially meaningful for Audubon International. In 2007, we are celebrating twenty years of working to educate, assist, and inspire people to better protect the natural environment...where they live, work, and recreate. Twenty years ago Ron Dodson founded this organization with that purpose, and twenty years later he, the organization, its members, and its many partners and friends can feel proud of what has been accomplished.

This issue of *Stewardship News* reflects back over these two decades, but at the same time acknowledges that change is constant in the universe. Our new efforts and approaches—such as getting individual golfers involved through the *Audubon Green Golfer Challenge* and having people at schools and businesses take action through *Audubon Partners for the Environment*—will continue to shape Audubon International's future. Yet, these new efforts and new approaches will continue to be built upon the philosophies that made the past twenty years successful. That, I can promise you.

Happy Twentieth Birthday Audubon International! If you'd like to send us a birthday greeting, please email us at twenty@auduboninternational.org. We'll be posting selected quotes in *Stewardship News* and on the website throughout 2007.

Best,



Kevin A. Fletcher, PhD
Director of Programs and Administration

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Participate in the Nestbox Network and Get Results!

Many thanks to participants of our 2005 Nest Box Survey, who recorded a grand total of **6,748 new birds fledged** from nest boxes. This is our highest total in recent years, thanks, in part, to a 30% increase in the number of participants. Data from the 2006 Nest Box Survey is being tallied now, and we hope to see an even greater number of members participate in 2007.

The Nest Box Survey is one of our longest running projects and provides valuable data about the success of nest boxes on member properties. Participants record results of each nest box they put up, including the type of bird using the box, box location/habitat, and number of eggs, fledglings, and young that successfully leave each box. Not only does this information help participants gauge their own results, it helps Audubon International to track overall results, trends, and factors that affect successful outcomes.

The Nest Box Survey is free and open to Audubon International program members and non-members alike. To participate, download survey forms and instructions at www.auduboninternational.org/projects/nestbox.

Mark Your Calendars for the 2007 North American Birdwatching Open

Join the fun and gather valuable information about migratory birds during our 2007 North American Birdwatching Open, held on International Migratory Bird Day, Saturday, May 12. The event is free and open to all Audubon International golf program members. Southern members may choose to participate earlier to take advantage of peak migration.

March 10: Southern Tier (southern Florida and Texas)

April 14: Southeast and Southwest

May 12: Mid-Atlantic, Central/Midwest, Great Lakes, Northeast, Northwest

Rules for participation are simple: over the course of 24 hours, make a list of each bird species you see or hear within the boundaries of your golf course. Then send your results to us, so we can gather information about what birds are stopping at golf courses during migration. We encourage participants to invite someone experienced in bird identification to help, if needed, to contribute to a more accurate count.

Participants decide how involved to be—some make it a fun community event, while others simply invite a few experienced birders to conduct the count. Either way, your participation can be used to fulfill certification requirement for Outreach and Education, as well as Wildlife and Habitat Management.

To participate, register online at: <http://www.auduboninternational.org/projects/birdwatchopen/>. You can download registration forms, rules, a bird checklist, and tips for success. If you would like to participate, but do not have internet access, please call Jennifer Batza at (518) 767-9051, extension 12, or contact Jen with questions at jbatza@auduboninternational.org.



Our yearly North American Birdwatching Open and Nestbox Survey are fun ways to gather valuable information about the birds that inhabit your property.

Town of Williamston Named Award Finalist

Sustainable Communities Program member The Town of Williamston, North Carolina, was named one of three finalists in the Environmental Stewardship category of the 2006 North Carolina Sustainability Awards. Hosted by Sustainable North Carolina, the award honors accomplishments in three categories: triple bottom line, innovative initiatives, and environmental stewardship. Winners were announced at a gala event on October 30, 2006, attended by more than 300 people. Sally Jewell, President and CEO of outdoor recreation retailer REI, was the keynote speaker. Warren Wilson College walked away with top honors in the Environmental Stewardship category, but the Town of Williamston and fellow finalist The Compass Group earned well-deserved recognition as well. Congratulations to the Town of Williamston, which celebrates its award finalist status on the heels of earning the Audubon Green Community Award earlier this year as part of its participation in the Sustainable Communities Program.



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founded the Eastern New York chapter of the Nature Conservancy, the first in the nation, in 1954. He also founded the National Resources Defense Council and was a co-founder of the Environmental Planning Lobby. Rienow's 138-acre farm, Hollyhock Hollow, became our headquarters, as well as a beautiful public preserve.

It was during this early period that another idea that is central to our organization began to grow: that of the "cooperative sanctuary." While we recognized the value of sanctuaries of undeveloped land set aside for nature conservation, we also recog-



nized the downside of thinking that these designated places were enough to sustain wildlife, protect drinking water quality, or offset air pollutants. We needed to broaden our concept of "sanctuary" to include the places

where we live.

As a result, we began meeting with municipal officials around New York State to form a Community Conservation Network. The concept was to establish partnerships with municipalities and to work on conservation at the "watershed" scale through public policy initiatives and citizen education.

However, it quickly became obvious that promoting conservation action on that level was an idea whose time had not yet come. Therefore, we decided to "go door to door" and encourage people to become involved on their own. We hoped that at some point in the future we would be able to link individuals together using a more regionalized or watershed approach.

The Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary System

In 1990, we launched the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary System as a way to partner with landowners to enhance wildlife habitat, protect water quality, and build a network of lands that would add to the "conservation landscape" that traditional sanctuaries provide. Its first members included General Electric Plastics and Hudson Valley Community College in upstate New York, Wolf Run Golf Club in Indiana, and several private citizens.

From such humble beginnings, who would have predicted that the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary System would become our most successful endeavor, shaping the growth and future of the entire

organization? Within two years, 65,000 acres of land were registered as Cooperative Sanctuaries. The United States Golf Association sponsored a specific program for golf courses, and membership included more than 500 golf courses, schools, and private and corporate landowners from 48 states, as well as Canada, Spain, and Guam. Today, 2,200 Cooperative Sanctuaries are located in two dozen countries. International interest led us to begin doing business as Audubon International in 1996, while continuing New York State efforts as ASNY.

From individuals to communities

The success of our cooperative conservation work with land owners and managers led us to create the Audubon Signature Program in 1993. Though cooperation between environmental organizations and developers was largely unheard of at the time, the Audubon Signature Program reached out to developers and resulted in improved environmental planning, design, and management for new development projects.

Today, 145 projects in the U.S. and in eight other countries, covering more than 69,000 acres of land, are enrolled. At least 22 governmental agencies in 13 states in the U.S. now encourage new development projects in their jurisdictions to participate in Audubon Signature Programs.

A project of even greater scope took shape in 1998 when we were invited to work with the City of



Eufaula, Alabama. What is today known as the Sustainable Communities Program began as an effort to get the city government thinking about Eufaula as a giant-sized, multi-sectored Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary. Thus, we found ourselves undertaking what we had originally wanted to do under the banner of the Community Conservation Network. The word “sustainable” was gaining public notoriety.

Eufaula gave us the opportunity to link people and their properties to their watershed and region. Working

with both municipal officials and with individual citizens and businesses has had a profound positive impact, paving the way for collective action and public policies that benefit people and the environment. As a result, we have been invited to work with four additional municipalities and one private community development.

Leaving a legacy for future generations

Helping people help the environment can be accomplished in many ways—from helping a homeowner plant a butterfly garden to helping entire communities become more sustainable. While the scope of what can be accomplished multiplies when larger communities get involved, we remain convinced that the power of individual and collective action is as great today as it was when the first Audubon members pledged their commitment to bird conservation.

One of the most remarkable results of our approach has been to see people from all walks of life, many of whom were never before involved in the environmental movement or may actually have thought that it was a bad thing, now taking on an entirely new attitude about the importance of protecting wildlife, water, and the environment as a whole. Reaching out to people with diverse views and experiences has broadened our perspectives and our results. As in nature, diversity is strength.

Audubon International—which is, essentially, all of us—stands on the

shoulders of those who stood up to protect wildlife, water, and the environment before us. And we—yes, *all of us*—will provide the shoulders upon which future generations will stand. Let’s leave a legacy to be proud of by building upon our first 20 years and tackling the environmental challenges facing the 21st Century with a renewed sense of purpose and vigor. ●



Celebrate with us!

Stewardship News will feature a series of articles to commemorate our 20th anniversary throughout 2007. Members are invited to contribute perspectives on what being involved in our programs has meant to them. Please e-mail your thoughts to Jean Mackay by **March 1, 2007** at jmackay@auduboninternational.org.

Bringing Greener Golf to China

BY NANCY RICHARDSON, SIGNATURE PROGRAM DIRECTOR



Lake Malaren Golf Club will be upheld as a model golf course development in China.

Lake Malaren Golf Club near Shanghai recently passed its final environmental on-site audit with flying colors, making history as the first Certified Audubon International Signature Sanctuary in all of China and Asia. That's good news for golf in China, which has been widely criticized for ecologically insensitive construction. The club's two 18-hole Peter L.H. Thompson-designed golf courses and surrounding resort are being built as part of China's far reaching sustainable development plan for Shanghai called *One City-Nine Towns*. The resort was designed by SWECO FFNS of Sweden and developed by Shanghai Real Estate in cooperation with Baoshan District and Luodian Town Governments.

Meeting the challenges of the Lake Malaren project

Lake Malaren Golf Resort, known as Mei Lan Lake Golf Resort in Chinese, is situated on 500 acres used formerly as vegetable fields and produce-processing factories. The highly degraded site had no natural habitats to speak of and wildlife species were scarce. The project design called for the creation of various types of habitat, including wildlife corridors, lakes, and native landscaping, along with elevation changes. This was a significant break from the traditional layout of courses in Shanghai, which typically feature flat, all-turf, wide expanses of land.

Because of its expertise in ecological design, habitat restoration, and

sustainable development, Audubon International was selected to provide technical assistance and education for the Shanghai project team. Despite language and cultural barriers, we were impressed at the outset by the team's commitment to work with us. We had no trouble in understanding their spirit of cooperation and their willingness to share their knowledge and culture. The project team was always eager for our input and ever attentive to detail, which was crucial for a project of this scope and one that relied so often on long-distance communication.

Working together since the fall of 2004, the team of architects, project managers, construction personnel, and Audubon International staff transformed the landscape to create Lake Malaren Golf Resort. The Lakes Course is a public access course with a Scottish links-style design. A wide variety of aquatic plants along lake edges blend well with taller grasses between golf holes. It is interesting to note that purple loosestrife (*Lythrum salicaria*)—an invasive, non-native species and enemy of landowners in the United States—is native to the wetlands of Eurasia and quite desirable in Shanghai. It finds its rightful place alongside other native aquatic plants at Lake Malaren, where it is an attractive and effective filter for potential pollutants.

In contrast, the Forest Course is a private access course with trees, shrubs, and ground covers added between holes to give the appearance of a forest. To go from a flat, barren agricultural landscape to a forested habitat took a lot of planning and work. Not only was it necessary to choose the correct plants for the region and the site, but also to manage and care for them after planting so that the trees and the investment



Reforestation efforts required extensive care to ensure the survival of the 70,000 trees planted. Here, young trees are woven with bamboo supports to hold them upright and in place during storm events.

would be secure. Approximately 70,000 trees have been planted on the Forest Course with an outstanding survival rate of 95 percent to date.

With the creation of habitat, wildlife seems to be returning. Egrets and ducks are seen regularly near the lakes, while dragonflies are abundant among the aquatic buffers. Magpies, shrikes, sparrows, and rabbits have been the first species to be observed between the golf holes. In addition, species that are unlikely to return on their own, such as quail, pheasant, and fish, are being slowly introduced to the property.

Water, water, everywhere

Water is an issue the world over, and China is no exception. In a country of three billion people, water quantity and quality are all the more critical. To conserve potable water supplies, Lake Malaren Golf Club is irrigated with water drawn from the River Malu, which runs through the golf course property. Unfortunately, the river is highly polluted from agricultural and industrial runoff. To make it suitable for irrigation, the water passes through an innovative wastewater treatment system, devised with input from Audubon International.

Among the highlights of my site

audit was seeing the 70-foot long, multi-chambered system at work. Water from the river enters via a canal and passes through a series of wetlands and filtration chambers before flowing into the irrigation lake on the Lakes Course. As a result, the quality of water goes from a rating of “Level 5” (poor) to “Level 2-3,” which is nearing reclaimed water quality.

Congratulations!

Now that it is certified, Lake Malaren Golf Club will be upheld as a model golf course development in China. The project demonstrates how habitat can be successfully restored throughout a degraded property, as well as how highly polluted water can be cleaned and reused in order to save potable water.

Lake Malaren is the only golf course in the country that has been certified through ISO90001 for Quality Management and ISO14001 for Environmental Management. We commend Shanghai Real Estate’s dedication to environmentally sensitive design and development at the Lake Mararen Golf Resort, as One City, Nine Towns transforms Shanghai. ●

One City, Nine Towns

Shanghai has long been a hub of commercial and industrial activities, as well as a vital port city, linking China to the outside world. In recent years the city has experienced rapid economic expansion and a massive influx of people, largely from rural areas. To meet the growing demand for housing, China has undertaken a comprehensive development plan known as One City, Nine Towns.

The plan calls for the development of nine towns, each inspired by a country that played a significant role in the history of the city (UK, USA, Russia, Spain, Sweden, France, the Netherlands, Germany and Italy). The satellite town developments include environmental features, such as creation of large-scale parks, protected forests, and green areas covering about one-third of the city’s land area. The town of Luodian, where Lake Malaren is located, covers a total area of 2.63 square miles (6.8 square kilometers), half of which is designated “ecological area.” It follows an ecologically-sensitive urban development plan with a Swedish theme and will eventually serve 30,000 to 60,000 residents.



Audubon International staff Nancy Richardson and Alicia Oller (center) listen intently as a translator interprets for the project team during the final site audit at Lake Malaren Golf Club.

Beyond Four Walls

BY JEAN MACKAY, DIRECTOR OF EDUCATIONAL SERVICES



Oak Forest Elementary in Humble, TX, is pushing the boundaries of learning beyond the four walls of its classrooms. Over the past several years, the school transformed formerly unused portions of its school grounds into a nature trail and outdoor classroom. They planted vegetable and flower gardens that attract butterflies and beautify school grounds, and created an arboretum that features Texas native plants. Learning and discovery across the curriculum now take place both indoors and outside.

The school's outstanding commitment to environmental stewardship recently earned it the designation of Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary from Audubon International. One hundred percent of Oak Forest's 861 students participate in environmental education and stewardship projects.

"We are so excited to achieve certification as an Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary," says teacher Vivian Cardoso, who coordinates environmental activities at Oak Forest. "It affirms the tremendous efforts that our students, faculty, parents, and community partners have put forth to 'green' our school grounds and improve environmental education."

Indoors, students have reduced water use by thousands of gallons, compared with similar schools in its district, thanks to water conservation training and bathroom signage that reinforces what they learned. And an innovative student-run recycling program netted 394 cell phones (225 were donated to shelters, the

Audubon Partners

The Audubon Partners for the Environment Program is a perfect fit for schools, businesses, and other organizations that want to do something good for the environment, and would like help and recognition along the way.

Audubon Partners receive educational resources and guidance to help them complete environmental projects, as well as opportunities for awards and certification. To find out more, contact Jen Batza at jbatza@auduboninternational.org or (518) 767-9051, ext. 10.

Left: Benches and a podium in the outdoor classroom provide a structured setting for teachers to present lessons outdoors.

Below: Colorful trees enliven the library's new Nature Corner where students can easily find books, magazines, and games on nature and environmental topics.



rest were recycled) and 775 ink cartridges that were refilled. Even the school's library boasts an attractive "nature corner" where students can easily find books and magazines about wildlife, plants, and environmental topics.

"Little by little, we have transformed our school setting and built an extraordinary program," shares Cardoso. "Kids will have to make informed decisions about tough environmental issues when they grow up. Oak Forest is giving them a solid foundation for understanding the environment and taking actions to sustain it." ●



Parents, community volunteers, and the school's Audubon sponsor Kingwood Country Club help to maintain gardens and trails.

New Maintenance Facility Checklist Available

Strict standards for protecting the environment on golf courses—including soil, water, and air quality—begin at the maintenance facility. A new tool is now available from Audubon International to help golf course superintendents, managers, and owners evaluate how their maintenance facilities measure up. *The Maintenance Facility BMP Self-Assessment Checklist* offers a quick and easy way to assess best management practices and infrastructure for chemical storage, mix/load areas, fuel storage, wash pads, and general areas.

The new, free resource was developed by Audubon International with input from the United States Golf Association Green Section, Golf Course Superintendents Association of America, and superintendents. The checklist is a user-friendly starting point for evaluating the maintenance facility and prioritizing areas that need to be addressed. Whether working from an old barn or a state-of-the-art natural resource management center, golf course superintendents can follow the checklist, in combination with state and local regulations, to help ensure that the hub of all maintenance activities is safe for workers and the environment.

The checklist is available online at www.auduboninternational.org. Go to the "Resources" section and click on "Fact Sheets" to download a free PDF. Audubon International program members can also call Jen Batza, membership coordinator, at (518) 767-9051, ext. 10, to request a copy. ●



Golf Course Members... Get Your Golfers Involved!

Golf industry and environmental experts have long recognized the power of America's 25 million golfers in supporting or rejecting environmental best practices on the country's 15,000 golf courses. Golfers can be a demanding breed—and their demands for fast greens and perfectly manicured conditions have often trumped sound agronomic practices and nature conservation. To build golfer support for preserving the *nature of the game*, Audubon International is launching the *Audubon Green Golfer Challenge*.

Golfers in the United States, Canada, and worldwide are invited to sign the *Audubon Green Golfer Pledge*. Golfers can take the free pledge online, or via a pledge sheet distributed to golf courses that wish to participate in

the challenge.

Participating golf courses receive pledge sheet and promotional ideas from Audubon International. They distribute, collect, and return completed pledges to us to be included in our grand tally. We'll post totals for participating golf courses and award prizes in 2007 for golf courses whose golfers sign the most pledges.

Taking the pledge is a very simple way for golfers to carry on golf's venerable tradition of making nature an integral part of the game. Equally important, it helps golf make a positive difference in the quality of our environment. For more information or to get your golf course involved, please visit www.GolfandEnvironment.org/GreenGolfer.htm. ●

Visit Us at the Golf Industry Show! February 19-24, 2006, Anaheim, CA

Thanks to the GCSAA, we will once again be able to have a booth and offer educational programs at this year's conference and tradeshow. Visit us at booth #5734 (relatively close to the Clubhouse Solutions Education Center). Educational programs include:

- *Wildlife Management and Habitat Conservation* (full day seminar), Wednesday, February 21st
- *The Ecology of Golf* (8:00 – 9:30 a.m.), Sunday, February 25th
- *Wake Up and Smell the Green: Environmental Management & Business Strategy for Clubs* (2:15 – 3:45 p.m.), Sunday, February 25th



A raft of male and female Hooded Mergansers remind us that how we manage our land and water has a tremendous impact on all life.

Basic Creek Reservoir, Coeymans, New York

BY RONALD DODSON, PRESIDENT AND CEO

It was a crisp fall day and I decided that it isn't always necessary to go off to some distant location to see and hear the sights and sounds of nature. With only a few hours to spare, where to go was the key question. I decided on the Basic Creek Reservoir, just a 15-minute drive from my home in upstate New York. I had seen and heard Canada geese flying in the area for a few weeks and it seemed that it might be a good day to see what sorts of waterfowl might be on "The Basic," as it is called around here.

Upon arrival, I was treated to a raft of Hooded Mergansers. These diving ducks are quickly identified by a striking fan-shaped white crest on their heads, which stands out again an otherwise black head and neck. Two black bars, extending from the Hooded Mergansers black back, stripe the bird's white breast. This large flock of birds would soon travel to coastal areas or south to Gulf Coast states or northern Mexico, where milder winter temperatures keep the mergansers' watery habitat from freezing solid.

These birds were lucky. Had they congregated in Lake Ontario or Lake

Erie, just a couple of hundred miles to the west, they might have met an untimely death. Hundreds of common loons, along with red-necked and horned grebes and mergansers, have been washing up along Great Lakes' shores this fall, killed by Type E botulism. This common bacteria passes through the food chain, producing a toxin that poisons fish and the birds that eat them. Researchers have linked the rise in botulism to an increase in non-native, invasive species in the Great Lakes. In 2002, 25,000 dead birds were counted on Lake Erie alone, and this year's bird kill is expected to top that record number.

We are also fortunate. To ensure that our tap water is safe to drink, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the states prescribe regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Drinking water from the Basic Reservoir, and its larger counterpart, the Alcove Reservoir, undergoes extensive testing and treatment before reaching the City of Albany's 100,000 residents. Each year, the Albany Water Board issues a report describing the quality of the city's

drinking water. The report includes details about where the drinking water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to State standards.

Of course, no reports can warn migratory birds of unsafe water. The birds don't know whether they are on city reservoir, a wetland in a National Wildlife Refuge, or a neighborhood pond. That is why the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Programs and Audubon Signature Programs are so important. *What you do*—on your own property, neighborhood, workplace, and community—*matters*.

The Hooded Mergansers on the Basic Creek Reservoir were a great reminder to me that water quality and land management go hand in hand. Working together to ensure that you have the information and guidance you need to manage your own private "sanctuary" is one of the chief aims of our programs. It is up to all of us to ensure that our land and water is hospitable to birds and other wildlife. It is up to all of us to ensure that we contribute, rather than detract from, the greater good of the environment. ●

AUDUBON COOPERATIVE SANCTUARY PROGRAMS

NEW MEMBERS

International

Erie Memorial Gardens, Leamington, ON, Canada

United States

City of Fort Collins–Fossil Creek Park, Fort Collins, CO
City of Fort Collins–Rolland Moore Park, Fort Collins, CO
Grove Cemetery, New Brighton, PA
SavATree Corporate Office, Bedford Hills, NY

Golf Program

International

Coppinwood Golf Club, Uxbridge, ON, Canada
Indooroopilly Golf Club, Queensland, Australia

Florida

Plantation Preserve Golf Course and Club - City of Plantation, Plantation

Illinois

Willow Crest Golf Club, Oak Brook

Kansas

Sand Creek Station Golf Course, Newton

Michigan

Twin Lakes Golf Club, Oakland

Mississippi

Kirkwood National Golf Club, Holly Springs

North Carolina

Sherwood Forest Golf Club, Brevard

New Jersey

Black Bear Golf Club, Franklin
Crystal Springs Golf Course, Hamburg

New York

The Sedgewood Club Associates, Inc., Blecher, Mendel & Fedele, New York
Marine Park Golf Course, Brooklyn

Ohio

Heritage Club, Mason

Oklahoma

Winstar Golf Course, Thackerville

Pennsylvania

Country Club of the Poconos, East Stroudsburg
Frosty Valley Country Club, Danville

Texas

Pecan Hollow Golf Course/City of Plano, Plano

Virginia

Cannon Ridge Golf Club, Fredericksburg
The Ritz Carlton Golf Club–Creighton Farms, Leesburg

RECENTLY CERTIFIED AUDUBON COOPERATIVE SANCTUARIES

Bandelier Trading Company, Los Alamos, TX
El Camaleon Mayakoba Golf Club, Playa Del Carmen, Quintana Roo, Mexico
Links at Boynton Beach, Boynton Beach, FL
Oak Forest Elementary, Humble, TX
Royal Johannesburg & Kensington Golf Club, Orange Grove, South Africa
Westwood Golf Club, West Mifflin, PA
Willowbrook Country Club, Apollo, PA
Wintonbury Hills Golf Course, Bloomfield, CT

RE-CERTIFIED AUDUBON COOPERATIVE SANCTUARIES

Certified for 10 Years or more

Point Grey Golf and Country Club, Vancouver, BC, Canada
Salishan Spa and Golf Resort, Gleneden Beach, OR

Certified for Five Years or more

Crystal Springs Golf Club, Burlingame, CA
Peel Village Golf Course, Brampton, ON, Canada
Priddis Greens Golf and Country Club, Priddis, AB, Canada

Certified for Two Years or More

Meadowbrook Golf Course, Hopkins, MN
Newport National Golf Club–Orchard Course, Middletown, RI

AUDUBON PARTNERS FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

NEW MEMBERS

Green-Fields School, Woodbury, NJ
MTD Products, Valley City, OH
Venice Golf & Country Club Master Association, Inc, Venice, FL

AUDUBON SIGNATURE PROGRAMS

NEW SIGNATURE MEMBERS

Salmon Falls Preserve, El Dorado Hills, CA
Salt Cay Golf Club, Turks and Caicos Islands
The Retreat on Haw River, Bynurn, NC
Whitewater, Charlotte, NC

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