

# Friends of Huntley Meadows Park

## Birdathon 2016

Every year on a springtime Tuesday morning, Park staff and volunteers spread out across Huntley Meadows Park (HMP) to count birds. In 1997, an annual survey evolved into an event to remember and honor two exceptional men: Ken Howard and Ed Weigel. Both were volunteers who inspired a love of nature within the Park visitors they met. Their work continues to this day through the Park's Resource Management Internship funded by the HMP Bird-a-thon. This internship provides a young person with the opportunity to begin a career in conservation and to get hands-on experience in this wonderful Park. Over the years, I've had the privilege of interacting with the interns and believe this opportunity has a positive impact on their future endeavors and as stewards of our parks and green spaces.

The FOHMP Board requests donations to support this annual event which, in turn, funds the yearly Resource Management Internship. While most folks make a straight donation, the donation can also be based on the number of species found during the Birdathon. If you donate fifty cents for each species seen, 100 species (the target number for each year's Birdathon) would produce a donation of \$50. That would go a long way towards helping us reach our annual goal of \$2,800.

Thank you very much!

The Board of Friends of Huntley Meadows Park

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### 2016 BIRDATHON AT HUNTLEY MEADOWS PARK

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

DONATION AMOUNT: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make checks payable to FOHMP**

Mail this form and check to:

**Birdathon, Huntley Meadows Park**

**3701 Lockheed Blvd., Alexandria, VA 22306**

Results will be posted by June 1 on the FOHMP website: [www.friendsofhuntleymeadows.org](http://www.friendsofhuntleymeadows.org)