

CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT

December 2017-January 2018

This December, the National Audubon Society is organizing its 118th Christmas Bird Count. This is when volunteers conduct bird counts all across the country. These counts take place from Thursday, December 14, 2017 to Friday, January 5, 2018. Each count occurs within a 15 mile wide diameter circle. The nearest one to us is the Princeton Circle, although there are others. The Princeton Circle includes some of Pennington and Hopewell. Please visit:

<https://www.audubon.org/content/join-christmas-bird-count>

for more information. If you live within the circle, you can register to be a feeder counter if you would rather not go outside. You can stay at home and report the birds that visit your feeder on count day. **You must register with the count compiler to participate.** Visit the National Audubon Society website for more details.

This is a great way to help the Audubon Society gather information about bird species in our area and it is FREE to participate.



Vultures at Thompson Preserve



Red Tailed hawk at Heritage Preserve