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Subject: [the-village-birders] Village Birder's Final Walk 4/9, Moss Bluff & Carney Island
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Thank you participants and leader Bob Smidt for a total species count this morning of 35.

For the first time, no birds at the Moss Bluff Rookery. Why is unknown, but I wonder what part the draught has played. In the trees around the parking lot were singing Northern Parulas, a Red-eyed Vireo and a Great Crested Flycatcher. Raptors included a perched Bald Eagle and a soaring Swallow-tailed Kite.

Participants then ventured to Carney Island Recreation Area and birded the boat ramp and picnic area adjacent to Lake Weir. Highlights included a Spotted Sandpiper and Forster's Tern. Along with more singing Northern Parulas, Red-eyed and White-eyed Vireos.

Link to eBird Checklist: See a combined species list and count at the bottom of the email.
Moss Bluff North Park 18 species: <https://ebird.org/checklist/S319242462>
Carney Island Rec Area 27 species: <https://ebird.org/checklist/S319245928>

This was the club's last and final bird walk.

THANK YOU to ALL Participants and Leaders who supported the club over the past 25 years.

Signing off as the Club's Vice President.

Hope to see you again outside.

Regards, Susan Pepper

Combined Species - Count

American Crow - 1
Anhinga - 4
Bald Eagle - 1
Barn Swallow - 2
Black Vulture - 3
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher - 1
Boat-tailed Grackle - 3
Carolina Wren - 1
Fish Crow - 3
Forster's Tern - 1
Gray Catbird - 2
Great Blue Heron - 1
Great Crested Flycatcher - 2
Great Egret - 4
Little Blue Heron - 1
Mourning Dove - 2
Northern Cardinal - 6
Northern Parula - 3
Osprey - 1
Palm Warbler - 1
Pied-billed Grebe - 2
Pileated Woodpecker - 2
Purple Martin - 2
Red-bellied Woodpecker - 1
Red-eyed Vireo - 2

Red-shouldered Hawk - 1
Red-winged Blackbird - 3
Sandhill Crane - 1
Spotted Sandpiper - 1
Swallow-tailed Kite - 1
Tree Swallow - 2
Tricolored Heron - 1
Tufted Titmouse - 1
Turkey Vulture - 11
White-eyed Vireo - 1

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