

# AUDUBON NATURALIST SOCIETY

OF THE CENTRAL ATLANTIC STATES

## ANNUAL REPORT

a year in review, from April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012

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### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Over the past year, the Audubon Naturalist Society (ANS) has put its emphasis on refining our organizational focus. Just as you might focus a microscope on a caddisfly larva from a stream, or focus a pair of binoculars on a scarlet tanager in a tree, this year the ANS Board of Directors, staff, and members have focused on how to shape the work of our important regional environmental organization for the future.

Areas of focus include building on our renewed mission and vision to craft a strategic plan that will act as a road map. Key elements include safeguarding the financial sustainability of the organization and maximizing environmental education outreach by refining our mission program mix. While right-sizing an organization can be tough, I am certain that our new focus will set the stage for ANS to grow in its scope and influence on environmental education and conservation in the DC metro region.

The ANS Board of Directors, staff, and volunteers are working together to strengthen ANS's fiscal foundation, thus setting the stage for realizing our vision of "creating a larger and more diverse community of people who treasure the natural world and work to preserve it." Here are some of the many ways we are emphasizing that important focus;

- ♦ ANS recently entered into an agreement with the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA) to maintain and operate ANS's Rust Sanctuary in Leesburg, Virginia. This agreement is a win-win for both ANS and NVRPA. It protects the property from development in perpetuity, frees ANS from operational expenses (good for our bottom line!), and allows us to focus on expanding ANS environmental education in Northern Virginia from our home base at Rust Sanctuary. This partnership may lead to other opportunities for ANS to provide environmental education at other NVRPA sites in Northern Virginia.

- ♦ The Board of Directors and staff are close to finalizing a strategic plan that will provide fiscal and programming guidance for

the next five years. The ANS Strategic Plan will be a living document, revisited often and referred to during decision-making. Board and staff will monitor and report on the goals, objectives, timelines, and measurements that we have set.

- ♦ The ANS Board of Directors has become more involved in fundraising than at any time in the organization's history, through personal gifts and by taking part in a number of fundraising initiatives. Our Board members acknowledge fundraising as an important function and duty of their service. Our newly energized and enthusiastic Development Committee provides important support and guidance for the ANS development department. In addition to more fundraising by the Board, the Board and staff are aggressively pursuing new and promising sources of revenue. Stay tuned.

- ♦ Operations at all levels of the organization are being tightened and strengthened. The Governance Committee of the Board of Directors has taken on new responsibility, including helping the Board set policy and priorities for future planning and budgets. The staff has adopted financial procedures that will ensure greater transparency and ease of use as budgets are drawn up in the coming years. The staff is also working on modernizing IT infrastructure and other technology-related functions. The Board has established an ad hoc committee on Workplace Culture to ensure that ANS remains a wonderful place for our talented staff to work.

Even as we focus and streamline our programs, exciting new projects are always underway at Audubon Naturalist Society. This year, we hosted the first-ever Volunteer Master Naturalist training course in Montgomery County and graduated a group of committed volunteer trainees who will lead important projects for ANS. Our GreenKids program sponsored 36 school gardens in Maryland and Virginia and through our Salad Science program, students had

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the opportunity to grow and eat organic lettuce. The Conservation Advocates introduced a new audience of regional environmental agency officials to green practices that best protect the Anacostia River, while throughout the year, we trained more people to join our cadre of water quality monitors who keep tabs on local stream health. Every day, ANS staff and volunteers connect people with nature in the DC metro area.

It is for good reason that a recent survey of members and non-members of ANS revealed that people love our programs and support our mission of inspiring “residents of the greater Washington, DC, region to appreciate, understand, and protect their natural environment through outdoor experiences, education, and advocacy.”

I want to tip my hat to the members of the Board of Directors who have donated so much time, talent, and treasure at this critical time in ANS's history. It is an honor to serve with you.

Every day I am thankful for the ANS staff. I cannot state too emphatically what a dedicated, talented, and hard-working group of people they are. It is because of their efforts that one of the goals in the strategic plan is to be the best employer we can be. They deserve

every award, every penny, every word of praise, and every initiative we can muster to show how much they are valued.

And, finally, I want to express my appreciation to our members, volunteers, and donors for all the time and financial support that they have given ANS this year. This organization exists because you provide the crucial means to keep it going. With your continued help and all the important initiatives in the works, ANS will be able to serve an increasingly diverse and larger group of people in the future.

*Kathy Rushing*  
Kathy Rushing



**MISSION STATEMENT**

The Audubon Naturalist Society inspires residents of the greater Washington, DC region to appreciate, understand, and protect their natural environment through outdoor experiences, education, and advocacy.

**VISION STATEMENT**

The Audubon Naturalist Society seeks to create a larger and more diverse community of people who treasure the natural world and work to preserve it.

**Board of Directors**

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ANS extends sincere gratitude to the hundreds of donors who made gifts through state

and county workplace giving campaigns and the National Capital Area Combined Federal Campaign under EarthShare Mid-Atlantic. Also, ANS is grateful to private sector employees, such as the World Bank Community Connections Fund, for giving to ANS through their employer's private workplace giving campaigns.

**Management Staff**

- Neal Fitzpatrick, *Executive Director*
- Lisa Alexander, *Deputy Director*
- Kathryn Mitchell, *Development Director*
- Lynda DeWitt, *Communications Director*
- Diane Cameron, *Conservation Director*

## Financial Overview

### Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended March 31, 2012

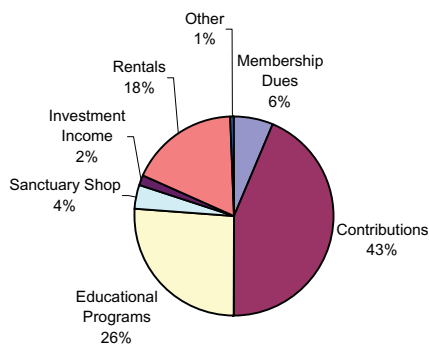
Revenue	
Membership Dues	\$ 243,549
Contributions	1,698,174
Educational Programs	1,007,440
Sanctuary Shop	159,298
Investment Income	59,059
Rentals	688,774
Other	22,807
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b><u>3,879,101</u></b>
Expense	
Conservation and Education Programs	
Nature Sanctuaries	593,123
Publications	84,892
Education Programs	1,465,599
Conservation	427,235
Membership	155,655
Sanctuary Shop	82,234
Other	5,620
<b>Total Program Expense</b>	<b><u>2,814,358</u></b>
Support Services	
Fundraising	224,786
General and Administrative	419,904
<b>Total Support Services Expense</b>	<b><u>644,690</u></b>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b><u>3,459,048</u></b>
<b>Change in Net Assets</b>	<b>420,053</b>
<b>Net Assets, Beginning of Year</b>	<b><u>4,091,277</u></b>
<b>Net Assets, End of Year</b>	<b><u>\$ 4,511,330</u></b>

### Statement of Financial Position

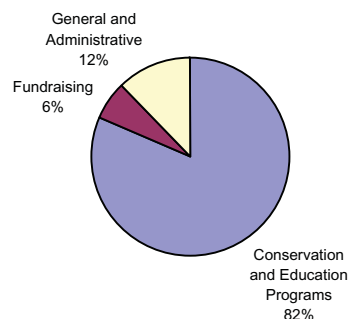
As of March 31, 2012

Assets	
Current Assets:	
Cash	\$ 911,804
Receivables	626,187
Inventory	253,940
Prepaid Expenses	32,368
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b><u>1,824,299</u></b>
Property and Equipment (Net)	2,695,700
Investments at Market Value	1,149,535
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b><u>5,669,534</u></b>
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	14,864
Accrued Expenses	202,729
Deferred Revenue	899,928
Other Liabilities	40,683
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b><u>1,158,204</u></b>
Net Assets	
Unrestricted	2,553,639
Temporarily Restricted	759,467
Permanently Restricted	1,198,224
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b><u>4,511,330</u></b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b><u>\$ 5,669,534</u></b>

FY 2012 Revenue



FY 2012 Expense



ANS ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**CONSERVATION/  
ADVOCACY**

**Anacostia Watershed  
Restoration**

Encouraged Anacostia jurisdictions to invest in low- and moderate-cost green stormwater retrofit solutions, particularly those using trees; presented findings to a national conference on low-impact development.

Due, in part, to ANS advocacy and outreach, 157 RainScape stormwater retrofits have been installed in the Anacostia portion of Montgomery County over the past five years (since the program's inception), and a total of 636 such retrofits installed countywide.

Worked with the Montgomery County Council and local civic groups to win protection of the Wheaton for-

**ANS Conservation efforts** were made possible by generous funding from the Keith Campbell Foundation for the Environment, Chesapeake Bay Trust, Choose Clean Water/ National Wildlife Federation, Marpat Foundation, David and Cynthia McGrath, Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection, Prince Charitable Trusts, The Summit Fund of Washington, Town Creek Foundation, the Wallace Genetic Foundation, and restricted gifts from individual donors.

ested buffer and restoration commitments for Sligo Creek (in the Anacostia) and Silver Creek (part of Rock Creek) in the Wheaton Sector Plan.

Collaborated with Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and Friends of Sligo Creek to design a way to assess private properties for their RainScapes potential.

Collaborated with local builders, Conservation Montgomery, Casey Trees, and

Montgomery DEP to draft a *Stormwater Tree Practice* that will give landowners stormwater reduction credit for planting or saving trees.

Working with Habitat for Humanity, ANS led a team of volunteers to install 525 flowering native plants in more than a dozen rain gardens in Northeast Washington east of the Anacostia River.

Worked with the Anacostia Watershed Restoration Partnership, which includes local governments and private developers, to create and use a method of tracking and reporting stormwater projects' costs and benefits.

Along with partner groups, created the Prince George's County Healthy Communities Coalition to press for a stronger county stormwater permit, dedicated stormwater utility fees, and more green infrastructure projects.

Conducted three green infrastructure workshops for landscapers and activists; led two tours of Step Pool Stormwater Conveyances for local officials, engineers, and architects.

Led the Anacostia Advocates Coalition, coordinating the messaging and agenda throughout the Anacostia Watershed.

Served on the Steering Committee and supported the Watershed Stewards Academy, training stewards to build rain gardens and conservation landscapes.

**Rural Legacy**

Continued to work to protect Montgomery County, MD's 93,000-acre Agricultural Reserve, while promoting locally sourced food and helping to launch a demonstration organic farm incubator. In addition, ANS's Dolores Milmo was a founding member of the Montgomery County Food Council, which brings together diverse stakeholders to create a robust, local, sustainable food system.

Worked with civic and environmental groups to oppose M-83, extension of the Mid-County highway, which would destroy significant acres of forest and wetlands.

Helped fend off a proposed big-box church in the shadow of Sugarloaf Mountain. Also, ANS engaged in campaigns against two mega-churches sited in environmentally sensitive areas in Olney and Sandy Spring.

Served on President Obama's Energy and Environment Advisory Committee.

Continued to serve on the Advisory Task Force for Legacy Open Space, which purchases and protects natural resource assets in Montgomery County.

Continued to serve on the C&O Canal Task Force to watchdog the environmental resources along the Canal.



Alex Fairfield

**The volunteer monitoring team** for Northwest Branch in Sandy Spring, MD, includes many students, top. Ginny May, a monitor on Rock Creek, examines an aquatic insect.



Conrad May

ANS ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Continued to serve on the Boards of the Montgomery Countryside Alliance, Sugarloaf Citizens Association, and Friends of Frederick.

Worked for the last 18 months on the proposed *Farming at Metro's Edge 2013* conference to promote the production of more local sustainable food.

Advised Frederick County activists on their campaign to amend the Comprehensive Plan and prevent development on productive farmland.

Continued to watchdog local land use and transportation proposals before Montgomery County Council and Planning Commission and monitor environmental legislation in the Maryland General Assembly.

Used our monitoring data showing the high quality, sensitive nature of Ten Mile Creek (part of Little Seneca Reservoir backup drinking water supply) to advocate for

imperviousness limits and other protective measures opposed by developers.

**Chesapeake Bay & No.VA Watershed Protection**

Due, in part, to the work of ANS advocate Stella Koch, Fairfax County increased its stormwater fee for stream protection and restoration; advocated for northern VA's plans to reduce Chesapeake Bay pollutants.

Spurred creation of residential and private sector goals on energy saving and renewables.

Continued to serve on the Choose Clean Water Coalition Steering Committee and the Chesapeake Bay Citizens Advisory Committee.

Served on the Fairfax County Private Sector Energy Task Force, which advised businesses on energy conservation and greenhouse gas reduction.

Continued to monitor and support the implementation of the new Tysons Corner Redevelopment Plan.

Led efforts, including collecting more than 500 signed postcards, in support of MD Senator Cardin's Chesapeake Bay Restoration Act.

In VA and MD, ANS continued to increase public involvement in and support for the new Chesapeake Bay Total Maximum Daily Load pollution limits as well as associated limits for the different tributary rivers, including the Potomac River.

**Water Quality Monitoring**

ANS's Water Quality Monitoring Program, one of the longest running citizen science programs in the country, continued to engage hundreds of students and adults in activities throughout the year and to actively monitor 25 stream sites in Maryland and D.C.

Launched an online interactive map to highlight ANS water quality data from all current monitoring sites.

Monitoring Coordinator Cathy Wiss provided 22 training workshops on biological stream monitoring techniques, habitat assessment, and stormwater advocacy to nearly 150 citizen volunteers, interested professionals, and students.

Continued to serve on the Board of the Maryland Water Monitoring Council.

Displayed a map of our monitoring sites along with related information at the Montgomery County Depart-

ment of Environmental Protection's Clean Water Summit.

**ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION**

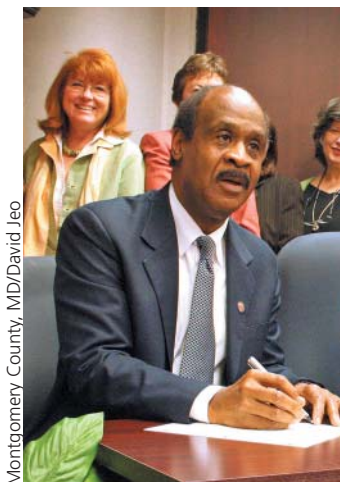
This year, ANS naturalists reached 2,000 more children with environmental education than last year. Our naturalist educators helped more than 11,000 DC metro area children unplug and connect with nature through ANS school, scout, summer camp, after school, and family programs.

Audubon Nature Preschool announced and filled a new Parent-Tot program for families. This new program means that ANS now serves 50 families each year through our nature preschool programs for two to five year olds.

ANS engaged more than 1,800 adults in regional nature explorations, increasing the number of people getting out in nature by more than 100 participants over last year.

Audubon Naturalist Society launched the first Master Naturalist program in Montgomery County, training 19 enthusiastic volunteers to become naturalist ambassadors for ANS.

ANS continues to serve at-risk students in the region through our donor-supported Gaithersburg Environmental Service Club, now entering its third year of linking immigrant students with environmental stewardship projects.



Montgomery County, MD/David Jao



Heather Johnson of Underwood & Associates

**ANS's MD Conservation Associate Dolores Milmo**, left, attended the Executive Leggett's signing ceremony for Montgomery County's Bag Fee Bill. Diane Cameron, ANS's Conservation Program Director, right, leads one of many tours into a local step pool conveyance where surface storm flow moves underground.

ANS ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**ANS GreenKids Program** and the GreenKids Network in Montgomery and Loudoun County Public Schools was made possible this year through generous support from the Chesapeake Bay Trust, Environmental Protection Agency, Howard Hughes Medical Institute, Ruth M. Knight Foundation, Minerva Foundation, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, North Chevy Chase Elementary School Fund, Ruth McCormick Tankersley Trust, TogetherGreen (an alliance of National Audubon Society and Toyota), Wallace Genetic Foundation, Whole Foods Market Montgomery County, Whole Kids Foundation, and restricted gifts from individual donors.

**It is with a heavy heart** that ANS mourns the passing of Bruce Lees. Bruce and his wife, Louise, have been generous benefactors of ANS, GreenKids, and the GreenKids Network. We will miss Bruce's smile and will take pride in continuing the wonderful environmental education work the Lees family supports.

In partnership with the Leesburg Police Department, the ANS Nature R.O.C.K.S program celebrates its fifth year of bringing at-risk students in Leesburg, Virginia to the Rust Nature Sanctuary for a hands-on, minds-on afterschool environmental program.

ANS hosted trips to new locations for Audubon Naturalist Society friends and neighbors, bringing more than 100 ANS supporters to exotic natural history destinations, including Cuba and Galapagos.

Fifty years of partnership with the Graduate School USA, jointly offering

high-level Natural History Field Studies courses to environmental professionals and enthusiasts in the DC metro region.

The ANS Teachable Science program expanded to train more than 100 teachers in Maryland and Virginia on bringing students outside to engage in hands-on environmental science using the schoolyard as a laboratory.

**GreenKids**

The ANS GreenKids partnership with public schools served 51 MCPS schools and seven LCPS schools, helping school communities embrace

environmental education and green school best practices. The ANS GreenKids Network of alumni schools expanded to include 45 schools across Maryland and Virginia.

Eleven GreenKids schools became newly certified Maryland Green Schools bringing the total to 40 MCPS schools that have earned Maryland Green School awards as a result of their partnership with GreenKids.

All three Loudoun County Public Schools that have completed the GreenKids partnership have successfully earned Virginia Naturally School Recognition Awards.

GreenKids school gardens are now thriving at 36 area schools thanks to the leadership and support of our GreenKids School Garden Coordinator, Jenny Brown.

Fifteen hundred students in Maryland and Virginia grew salad greens through the GreenKids Salad Science program.

GreenKids provided 32 wheelchair-accessible container gardens free to schools. More than 700 students performed scientific water quality monitoring of local streams while participating with the GreenKids Stream Science program.



Diane Lill

**About 1,500 students** from Maryland and Virginia grew their own greens from seeds, learned about the parts of a plant, collected data on plant growth and development, and harvested the salad greens for a delicious salad party through the GreenKids Salad Science program.



Courtesy of Freed Photography

**ANS Board President, Kathy Rushing**, flanked by Dr. Elaine Ryan, Provost of Academic Programs and Dr. Jerry Ice, CEO and President of the Graduate School USA, accepts the Community Award on behalf of ANS for its 50-year partnership with the Graduate School USA.

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April 1, 2011-March 31, 2012

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ANS received more than **\$1,000** during Give to the Max Day on November 9, 2011. On that single day, donors throughout the Greater Washington, D.C. area raised more than \$2 million for local nonprofits.



Thanks to a generous Audubon Naturalist Society benefactor, ANS co-sponsored two lectures with *National Geographic Live!* in the fall of 2011. Receptions followed the lectures, which were held at NGS's Grosvenor auditorium in Washington, D.C.

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## ANS and Future Generations Benefit from Million-Dollar Legacy

During our FY2012 ANS received more than a million dollars in bequests from five extraordinary ANS members. **Constance Mace** named ANS as a beneficiary of her Individual Retirement Account; **Marjorie Pitts** included ANS as part of a living trust; **Jeannette Cohen** and **Wilma Buchanan** named ANS as a residual beneficiary in their wills; and the balance of **B.J. Oswald's** estate was released to ANS following the death of a beneficiary.

By naming ANS as a beneficiary of their estate, these five women made an important statement about the quality of life they want for their community and the legacy they want to leave for future generations. For people in the Washington, DC metro area concerned about water quality and environmental education for all ages, **ANS is the local leader.**



Photos: Katharine Leysath, below; Rebecca Scott, left

**ANS's 5% Day with Whole Foods** Montgomery County generated \$26,000 for our GreenKids Salad Science Program. In recognition of our longstanding partnership, ANS presented its Corporate Appreciation Award to Whole Foods Market managers, Candace Child, Joana Bragg, and Heather Foley, pictured here at our Annual Meeting with Rocky the Barred Owl.



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In late 2011, ANS was contacted by GolinHarris, an international public relations firm that was moving from Arlington, VA, to D.C. and wished to donate much of its office furniture to ANS! In one month's time, ANS staff cleaned and cleared out aging offices to make room for gently used and wonderful office furniture. Our redecorated offices sport new chairs, desks, conference tables, lamps, sofas, and more. Particular thanks go to Golin-Harris Vice President, Donald Cognetta, who oversaw the transfer and made the move a success.



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On Martin Luther King Day of Service, 2012, 30 volunteers came to Woodend Sanctuary, ANS Headquarters in Chevy Chase, MD, to weed and mulch and to enjoy teamwork, the outdoors, and cider.

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**More than 575 volunteers** contributed 10,000 hours to ANS this year. Their invaluable work included leading bird walks, field trips, and tours; and assisting in our shops, offices, Sanctuary grounds, and the Blair Native Plant Garden.

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**In fall 2011, ANS's first class** of Master Naturalist Volunteers graduated. Congratulations to (kneeling, L to R) Marilyn Leung, Pat Thompson, Tovi Lehmann, and Eleanor Hillegeist; and (standing, L to R) Joe Andrews, Steve McKindley-Ward, Alice Friedman, Pat Tonkin, Diyan Rahaman, Caitlin Arlotta, Jim Hall, Becky Cromwell, Pat Ratkowski, Adrienne Nicosia, Lori Rapaport, Kathy Rushing, Catherine Krikstan, Fred Seitz, and Judy Clune.



**ANS volunteers Janice and Allen Browne's** shared love of nature was reflected perfectly in their gift of annotated photographs of Woodend's plant life. The pair spent countless hours cataloging more than 100 trees, shrubs, and wildflowers on the 40-acre Sanctuary grounds throughout the seasons. An online version may be found at [janicebrowne.com/woodendplantlife](http://janicebrowne.com/woodendplantlife).

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