

## WELCOME TO OktoBIRDFest

During weekends in October, Stillman will host four different bird activities. From our Big Sit to the ever-popular Raptor Sunday, there will be something for bird students of all ages. So, depending on the day, bring your binoculars, camera, or just your curiosity and our expert guides will help you celebrate Stillman's annual OcktoBIRDFest!

### THE BIG SIT

We're happy to once again host the "Lazy Birder's" field trip. No walking is required. We will sit by the lake and let the birds come to us.

Date: Saturday, Oct.5  
Time: 8:00AM to Noon  
Age: 10 years and up  
Fee: None

### BIRD BANDING OPEN HOUSE

Watch Mark Spreyer (a licensed bird bander) measure, weigh and record data about our resident and migratory birds. Catching birds is not always predictable, so come prepared to hike the trails. If it's raining, the activity will be cancelled.

Did you know the German ornithologist Johannes Thienemann pioneered bird banding and established the world's first bird observatory?

Date: Saturday, Oct. 12  
Time: 9:00AM to Noon  
Fee: None

### SUNDAY MORNING BIRD WALK

Mark Spreyer will lead a morning bird walk. Binoculars and field guides are a must. If you don't have any, don't worry, Stillman does. Those who join us for this walk wearing lederhosen will receive a year's free membership to Stillman nature center.

Date: Sunday, Oct. 13  
Time: 8:00AM  
Fee: None  
Age: 10 years and up

### DON'T MISS RAPTOR SUNDAY!

Now's your chance to meet the great horned, barred, barn, and screech owls. Stillman staff will also present a peregrine falcon, broad-winged hawk, and red-shouldered hawk. We will bring the birds out so you can see them up close. Kids will have a chance to dissect owl pellets. Bring a camera and a friend! Drop by anytime between 1:00 and 3:00 in the afternoon.

Date: Sunday, Oct. 20  
Time: 1:00 - 3:00 PM  
Fee: \$10/car