## Perkiomen Township Becomes An Official Bird Town Community and #51!

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At a recent township meeting, the Board of Supervisors adopted the **Bird Town Pennsylvania** program. Bethel Township is the 51<sup>th</sup> community to join the statewide program which recognizes townships for their commitment to stewardship.

Their Bird Town Committee will work with Bird Town Pennsylvania, Wyncote Audubon Society and other local Bird Town Communities to highlight the township's incredible ecological resources and to provide outreach and education to property owners. Residents will be encouraged to get to know the birds of their backyard and attend community events and workshops where Bird Town information will be available.

"Birds are natural indicators of ecological health," says Heidi Shiver who manages the Bird Town Pennsylvania program. "Small steps in a backyard can increase the diversity of birds and at the same time create a healthier living environment for people and pets. With our incredible partners in BethelTownship, residents will surely hear more about their role in the lives of birds. I'm confident that they will be amazed to find out which birds come through this area during migration."

More information on Bird Town Pennsylvania and how to create a healthier backyard habitat can be found at www.birdtownpa.org