

## Regular program Nov 13-15

### Nov 13-15, 2026: Let's talk Turkeys!

This is a full weekend program focusing on birds morning and evening, with afternoons free to relax at la Casa or explore the many natural and cultural resources of the area.

On the first evening, we'll discuss cranes in preparation for the Saturday field trip to Whitewater Draw. On Saturday, we'll take a close look at the iconic wild turkey – in preparation for Thanksgiving! Choose one or both classes, each \$35. Field trips included.

#### Friday, Nov 13:

- **5-5:30pm** – *Early Bird Bonus!* Feeder watch (meet in the dining room).
- **6-7pm** – dinner on your own or bring dinner and eat with Kathe and other participants in the dining room.
- **7pm – All About Cranes** – an interactive program, with Q's and A's and a PowerPoint, to describe and illustrate our abundant crane population, their life history, diet, mating dances and threats—and those not so abundant elsewhere.

#### Saturday, Nov 14:

- **7-8am** - *Early Bird Bonus!* A slow wander around la Casa to see what's showing up at the feeders and immediate environs.
- **Right after breakfast (and we won't rush the delicious meal!)** – approximately 4+ hour field trip; we'll carpool to Whitewater Draw, about an hour away where we hope to see sandhill cranes, the subject of Friday's class, as well as raptors, waterfowl, a variety of songbirds and possibly owls.
- **5:15pm** – optional participant dinner at a nearby restaurant.
- **7pm – Turkeys.** In this class, we'll explore Ben Franklin's choice for our national bird. How fast can they fly? What do they eat? Do you know that they were almost extinct in the US? What's their population now? You'll have all sorts of info to share at Thanksgiving!

#### Sunday, Nov 15:

- **7-8am** - *Early Bird Bonus!* A slow wander in the area around la Casa to look for whatever shows up.
- **Right after breakfast (and we won't rush the delicious meal!):** Approximately 3+ hour field trip to nearby Ramsey Canyon (\$5 for Nature Conservancy members, \$8 for others) and Ash Canyon (\$10). Turkeys are often seen in the Canyon, along with a variety of woodpeckers and songbirds.

Leave the program with handouts that provide notes from the evening programs.

If this sounds fun and you want to register here's how: contact Casa de San Pedro at [bedandbirds@gmail.com](mailto:bedandbirds@gmail.com), to check for available space. Book your room! Let Casa know

of any food allergies. Email me: [kathe.coot@cox.net](mailto:kathe.coot@cox.net) to let me know you've registered at Casa.