

The Black River Audubon Society and the Lorain County Metro Parks together welcome noted author, naturalist and illustrator JULIE ZICKEFOOSE for the BRAS 60th Anniversary Celebration and Jack Smith Outstanding Speaker program.



The celebration and talk will be Saturday, November 10, 1:30-4 pm at the Carlisle Reservation Visitor Center, 12882 Diagonal Road, LaGrange.

Zickefoose, author of *Letters from Eden*, *The Bluebird Effect*, and *Baby Birds: An Artist Looks into the Nest* will present her program ***Baby Birds***, an account of the 13-year project documenting the daily changes in the nestlings of 17 bird species from hatching to the day of fledging. More than 500 of her personal illustrations bring life to the pages of the book.

She will also share her influences as well as her artistic process, a must-see for any aspiring natural history artist. The work, wonder, and fun of studying baby birds, including being a foster mother for them, all make for an irresistible and highly inspirational presentation. Her books will be available for purchase after the program.

Ms. Zickefoose, who lives on an 80-acre sanctuary in southern Ohio, loves to encourage people to watch birds more closely and carefully. She speaks and leads trips at a number of birding festivals around the country and leads excursions in Latin America and Africa.

Black River Audubon Society was founded in 1958 through the influence of Jack Smith. The event will also highlight his contributions to the Society, its members, and birding in general down through the years. A social hour with refreshments will follow the program. This program is free to the public. For more information on programs, volunteering or becoming a member, visit www.blackriverauduon.org. And don't forget to LIKE us on Facebook!!