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Birds & Butterflies

NEWSLETTER

Update for September 2009

Wild Bird Feeding Seminar

The last seminar for 2009 will be October 13 at Birds & Butterflies. The subject is Wild Bird Feeding Basics and How To Deal With Squirrels and Other Critters. There are still some openings available so give us a call if you would like to attend. The seminar begins at 7:00 PM and lasts 45-60 minutes. Seminars are free of charge.

If you do not want to receive the newsletter please let us know by email at birdsbutterflies@geopolus.com.
If you know anyone else who would like to receive the newsletter please give us their email address.

DOWNTOWN SIDEWALK SALES

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, September 3, 4 and 5 will be Sidewalk Sales in Downtown Aiken. Most businesses, including Birds & Butterflies, will have some great bargains available on the downtown sidewalks.

Birds & Butterflies will have tables with items at 50% and

more off regular prices. In addition we will have 20% off of most regular priced items in the store. We will also offer 10% off of all seed and suet sales. There are a few exclusions that will not be included in the discounts.

We hope to see you September 3-5 got some great bargains.

HUMMINGBIRD MIGRATION

Hummingbirds will begin migration to Central America in September. We should have some hummingbirds around until mid-October with occasional sightings as late as early November.

This is the period of greatest feeding activity for hummingbirds and you should have lots of action at your feeders during the next several weeks.

Don't be in a hurry to take your feeders down. Keeping feeders filled will not keep hummingbirds from migrating. Migration is triggered by decreasing day length, not availability of food. This is a critical time for humming-

birds as they need to double their weight to sustain them during their flight to Central America.

We usually keep our feeders filled until approximately November 1 to provide food for any late migrants.

Southern Fox Squirrel at Bulls Island, SC.



BIRD SEED

We are pleased that after a decrease in all bird feed prices this past January, prices have not increased thus far in 2009. We continue to sell Cole's Wild Bird Feed, which is packaged in Kennesaw, Georgia.

Cole's seed is barrier packaged meaning that all of the oxygen has been removed from the bags. This prevents any insect pests, including adults, larvae or eggs that might be inside the individual seeds, from developing. It also increases shelf life of the unopened bags to several years.



Butterfly Weed and Butterflies

We also sell Shafer's black oil sunflower seed and sunflower chips in larger 25# and 50# bags.

Birds & Butterflies "Frequent Buyer Program" provides you with \$5.00 discount for every \$100 you spend on seed or suet, a 5% discount. Remember seed quality makes a difference in the number and type of birds you attract at your feeder.

BIRD FEEDERS

Birds & Butterflies has the largest selection of bird feeders in the Aiken area. You can buy less expensive feeders but you will not find better quality or warranties anywhere. Most of our feeders are made in the U.S. and many have lifetime warranties, including damage from squirrels.

Stop by and see our selection of more than 125 types of bird feeders.