

BIRD WALK AT CAVE CREEK REGIONAL PARK

November 5th, 2016

CONDITIONS: clear sky with a temperature of 70 degrees F at 8:30 AM---at hike conclusion, 10:30 AM the temperature was 82 degrees F with a light breeze 1-3 mph.

The hike commenced around 8:45 from the Nature Center to the Overton Trail to the parking lot near the Slate Trailhead, then returned via the road to the Nature Center, approximately an hour and forty-five minutes.

PARTICIPANTS: Jill Ialenti, Maryann Tribold, and guide Joe Ford



SPECIES: Red-tailed Hawk, Costa's Hummingbird, Gila Woodpecker, Ladder-backed Woodpecker, Gilded Flicker, Loggerhead Shrike, Common Raven, Verdin, Rock Wren, Cactus Wren, Black-tailed Gnatcatcher, Curve-billed Thrasher, Phainopepla, Yellow-rumped Warbler, Canyon Towhee, Black-throated Sparrow, House Finch (17)

COMMENTS: This was a beautiful "fall" day that felt more like late summer and the birds were more vocal than visual. Curve-billed Thrashers seem to be "wheep, wheeping" everywhere and a lady Phainopepla perched nicely for our scope.

Counts and other details are at eBird <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist?subID=S32390934>

Two people attended the program at the visitor center on “Turkeys the Thanksgiving Bird”