We had our annual bird hike on Saturday May 18th at the Wakeley Lake Natural Area in Grayling at 8:00am. It was a cool and rainy morning but we count ourselves pretty lucky. We got enough of a break in the rain to walk a little over a mile loop and see/hear 27 different species of birds! This year the hike was led by AmeriCorps member Celeste LaFleur serving with the U.S. Forest Service Huron-Manistee National Forests in Mio. This is one of our favorite hikes because you have a chance to see and hear so many different species. All the pictures included in this issue of our E-News are birds we saw on the hike (pictures taken from allaboutbirds.org) The top picture is of a Blackburnian warbler, the one on the bottom left is a Yellow-rumped warbler, the bottom right is a Rose-breasted grosbeak and the one above that picture is an American redstart. We also saw Magnolia warblers, nuthatches, a variety of woodpeckers, loons, Baltimore orioles as well as a few additional common species. We are already geeked about this event for 2020!

Hope to see you there.