Summary Report of 2018 Christmas Bird Count

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* 26 brave and hardy participants
* 57 species in 2018.  Compared to 58 in 2017.  Not bad at all given the rainy weather.  Might be due to a bit more birding pressure (for example, we had a driving group) and one more property (Fannon)
* We had 8 new species in 2018 compared to last year:
	+ Wild Turkey
	+ Great Blue Heron
	+ Trumpeter Swan
	+ Barn Owl
	+ Red-breasted nuthatch
	+ Red-winged blackbird
	+ House finch
	+ Purple finch

Some of those are a bit odd to have missed in 2017.  Could be a data compilation glitch?

* We missed  9 species in 2018 that we saw in 2017
	+ Rock Pidgeon
	+ Sharp-shinned hawk
	+ Coopers hawk
	+ Barred Owl
	+ Winter Wren
	+ Savannah Sparrow
	+ Brown-headed cowbird
	+ Yellow-rumped warbler
	+ Pine warbler

Some of those might be due to data glitches or questionable sightings in 2017.

Taking the 2 years together, we've had 65 species and 3,902 individuals.

Great work by one and all!