

Quarterly Newsletter of the Lamont Ecosystem Impact & Stewardship Committee  
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## EXCITING SPRING UPDATES

**LDEO is now part of the [Nyack Pollinator Pathway](#) and achieved Certified Bird Sanctuary status by the [Rockland Audubon Society](#)!**

*Inclusion in both programs requires that Lamont attest to providing food sources from native plants, including keystone species (e.g., White Oak, American Beech, Serviceberry, Common Milkweed, etc), providing cover and nesting spaces (e.g., shrubs, wood piles, brush), providing water sources (e.g., ponds, streams, vernal pools), and abstaining from pesticide use.*

*These programs encourage green corridors and safe havens for all pollinators in and through fragmented regions. We are proud to be included in these programs! We are also excited to start these local partnerships, and be able to highlight yet another reason why Lamont is vital for Rockland County and neighboring communities.*

**LDEO received a \$1000 grant from Rockland Audubon Society for window deterrents to prevent bird strikes, and this was matched by a generous Lamonter!**

*The committee is currently scoping out the project to see what can be accomplished with the current budget. More information coming soon!*

**Several new bluebird/tree swallow boxes will soon appear on campus.**

*Boxes were handmade and donated to Lamont. Sites have been chosen and the boxes will be installed in the next few weeks.*



Lamont recognized by RAS!



Bird boxes coming soon!



Nyack Pollinator Pathway is in Palisades, NY.  
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The Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory has joined the Nyack Pollinator Pathway! We are thrilled to have this historic institution as a "stop along the Pathway." And what a powerhouse stop it is... there are so many native and keystone plant species on their approximately 186 acre (!) property, the count was at 44 within a half hour of counting... and that's not a total! The pics are of Common milkweed & Black-eyed Susans, Common ninebark, Mountain laurel, Serviceberry, Spicebush and Virginia sweetspire—all some incredibly beneficial plants and trees. Lamont has installed several pollinator gardens with native perennials and shrubs around their campus over the years. They are truly a "Pollinator 5-Star Hotel!" ★★★★★  
 We're awed by the work Lamont does and we're honored to join forces with them to help pollinators. 🐝🌍🦋

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**Nyack Pollinator Pathway highlights Lamont's important work for science and for pollinators.**



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