

# Junior Hawkwatcher

The Junior Hawkwatcher patch is a collaboration between Girl Scouts of Southeastern Michigan (GSSEM) and the Hawk Migration Association of North America (HMANA). Girls will learn about raptor identification, behavior, and how to make migration observations.

## Discover

Learn about Hawk Migration Association of North America at [hmana.org](http://hmana.org).

## HMANA's Mission

The Hawk Migration Association of North America (HMANA) was founded in 1974 and incorporated as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization in the State of New York.

HMANA's mission is **"To advance the scientific knowledge and promote conservation of raptor populations through study, enjoyment, and appreciation of raptor migration."**

## HMANA

- Collects hawk count data from almost two hundred affiliated raptor monitoring sites throughout the United States, Canada, and Mexico
- Publishes the semi-annual journal Hawk Migration Studies, which includes seasonal reports on the migration and more
- Provides **HawkCount**, a near-real-time international database of hawk counts across the continent
- Maintains **BIRDHAWK**, a subscription-based email list
- Is a driving force behind the **Raptor Population Index (RPI)**, to promote scientific analysis of hawk count data

## Connect

Complete the Junior Hawkwatcher badge booklet on your own or participate in a HMANA or GSSEM Junior Hawkwatcher Event!

- Find a full list of hawkwatcher sites here: [hmana.org/hawk-watch-sites](http://hmana.org/hawk-watch-sites)
- Find GSSEM events here: [gssem.org/go](http://gssem.org/go)
- Find Detroit hawkwatcher and raptor events here: [metroparks.com/events](http://metroparks.com/events)  
(Select Lake Erie Metropark)

## Take Action

Share your Junior Hawkwatcher knowledge with friends or family in person or on social media! Be sure to tag @gssem and @hawkmigration with hashtags #GSSEMJuniorHawkwatcher #GSOutdoors #GirlScoutsGO

