For environmental conservation there are fewer resources than ever...but the natural world isn’t getting any smaller or less complicated.

To be the best environmental stewards we can be, we need good science and we need everybody to work together to make the most of our combined knowledge and experience.

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BioBlitz 2019 — Providence 1,168 species
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We're restarting the old newsletter, the Rhode Island Naturalist. We are looking for submissions. See rinhs.org/who-we-are-what-we-do/books-newsletter/newsletter for guidelines.

After 9 years with 'ol' greeny', we're finally redesigning the website. More resources, less clicking around!

The coronavirus pandemic is having a huge effect on our society; it is probably only just beginning. Thank you for supporting our medical providers, first responders, and other frontline workers. There are many natural historical lessons in the present situation, from the consequences of the wildlife trade to the prudence of maintaining biological surveillance, from the way having a populace that understands science can ease crisis management to the need so many suddenly felt to make a connection with Nature.

Because you found ways to support the Natural History Survey in 2019—our 25th anniversary—the organization is stronger than it's ever been and is reaching further than ever to connect resource managers, conservationists, educators and students, and civic minded hobbyists with each other and with information they need to succeed in their own diverse, and usually inter-related, projects. No one knows what lies ahead, but much of the Survey's work happens behind the scenes anyway, so with your continued support we expect to be "out there" as usual with wetlands assessments, wildlife conservation planning, coyote ecology research, and native plant enumeration in the coming months and hopefully over the NEXT 25 years.

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### Financial Report (unaudited)

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Through dues and annual giving, you, the members, pay for innovative programs, workshops, and technical assistance that conservationists, researchers, and agency managers need to succeed in their vital work.

THANK YOU, MEMBERS!