Do you know you can see an extinct Passenger Pigeon in the Upper Valley? Or the best spots to watch Hawks migrate, ducks dabble, and herons hunt for fish?

From May 1 until November 1, follow these 10 Quests to find the treasure boxes containing specially carved bird stamps and see amazing birds in their habitats. The stamps, carved by Artist and Storyteller, Simon Brooks, all fit together to make a piece of art suitable for framing. Collect all 10 stamps to earn a special bird patch and be entered to win our Grand Prize.

Included are "mini clues," that will help you find each box. However, we highly recommend doing the full Valley Quest – it will be more informative and you will surely find the box! Nine of the Quests are in our book, *Best of Valley Quest*, and one is on our website. *Best of Valley Quest* is available at all local bookstores and public libraries.

Stop by the Vital Communities office in White River Junction, Vermont to pick up a stamp template to help you collect your stamps. Or use a blank sheet of 11x17 paper to collect the stamp key below.
Along Route 4 in Quechee is a nest for birds of prey
You’ll want your visit here to last all day
A symbolic bird you should know
Points to where the box will show.

Full Quest: Vermont Institute of Natural Science Quest, Best of Valley Quest
Admission fee charged.

Down in Acworth, NH many birds live inside.
One detail to share: the birds are no longer alive!
View the birds 11:30 – 4:30, Tuesdays, Thursdays & Sundays
Find the treasure box behind the library
Where birds might stay.

Full Quest: The Acworth Bird Collection & History Mystery Quest, Best of Valley Quest

In Elkins, NH, on Route Eleven
Find Esther Currier’s “slice of heaven”
Hike straight back to the observation blinds
Left past 8, over bog to ponds edge, our box you’ll find.

Full Quest: Esther Currier Wildlife Sanctuary Quest, Best of Valley Quest

Beside the Plainfield Elementary School
Cross a mowed field to a trail that’s cool.
Meander along: cross brook, through woods...
As path passes through stone look for our goods.

Full Quest: The Bridge and Beyond Quest, Best of Valley Quest

In Norwich follow Turnpike Road
To Gile Mountain Trail where you’ll unload.
Hike to the tower at the height of the land
Treasure found beyond the pool in a metal can.

Full Quest: Gile Mountain Hawk & Haiku Quest, Best of Valley Quest

Where the Williams River & Connecticut meet
You’ll find a birding site that’s oh-so-sweet.
A long hike in to the confluence on your search
In a hollow stump discover the quest box’s perch
Full Quest: Herrick's Cove Bird Quest, on-line Quest
http://www.vitalcommunities.org/Valleyquest/questsrch.cfm?code=nam
e&name=Herrick%27s%20Cove.

Take Buzzell Bridge from Thetford Center
And then the "Mystery Trail" you must enter.
Cross the bridge, following the trail to the right.
Lonesome Pine's old friend is the quest box site.

Full Quest: Quest for The Lonesome Pine, *Best of Valley Quest*

In the birthplace of Vermont hides a high field
Where the perfect habitat for Kestrels is concealed.
Follow Marton Road up to a low shed on the left side
At the base of a pole with a box, our prize does reside.

Full Quest: Quest for the Kestrel, *Best of Valley Quest*

Just north of Post Pond, Chaffee Sanctuary is found.
Here birds are in the water & air, in trees, on the ground.
Clockwise round the mowed path you go.
In the crotch of a tree the box will show.

Full Quest: Chaffee Sanctuary Quest, *Best of Valley Quest*

A museum comprised of two states names
Is the final place you'll play this game.
Hike Blood Brook Trail to the overlook
Where you'll find the box and sign the book.

Full Quest: Montshire Quest, *Best of Valley Quest*
Admission fee charged

Valley Quest is a collection of more than 150 treasure hunts that teach
and share the natural and cultural history of the Upper Valley region
with children, families, adults and visitors. Valley Quest is a program of
Vital Communities, a regional nonprofit working to engage citizens,
organizations & communities in creating solutions to our region's
challenges.