Monthly Programs 2018 - 2019

October 1st "An Evening with Raptors" Barb Walker Enjoy an evening with a wide variety of our educational ambassador birds. Hear how they represent what Audubon stands for. Bring your camera and get your close up with these amazing birds!!

November 5th Potluck "Ecuador Trip" Madeleine <u>& team and Hog Island Campers</u> Hear about the adventures and see the amazing photos. Please provide your own dinnerware and a dish to share. Drinks provided by CAS.

December 3rd "Spiders" Jim Stevenson Pinellas County Educator Spiders play an important role in the environment. Come learn how to recognize spiders, find out what their benefits are and their role in the ecosystem...bird food and nesting material.

January 7th "Gulf Migration" James Stevenson, Galveston Ornithological Society, TEXAS The idea that tiny songbirds that weigh far less than the change found in the average pocket manage to migrate 600 miles across the Gulf of Mexico was long considered fanciful.

February 4th "Barn Owls, Nature's Mousetrap" Dr. Richard Raid Frequently called, "One of the most beneficial birds on earth," Rick will describe the biology of Barn Owls and detail ongoing efforts to enhance their populations in South Florida and throughout our state.

<u>March 4th "*Life Cycles of Butterflies*" Paul Trunk</u> With the focus being on the butterflies of Florida, he will speak about the strategies lepidopteras use to survive from egg to adult.

April 1st "Birds of South Africa" Mary Keith She will share about her trip to the Southern Cape, Kruger National Park, a pelagic trip, a night excursion thru Kruger and drive across Blyde Canyon.

May 6th "*Red-cockaded Woodpeckers*" Vince Morris/Ryan Grumbly Ecologist w/FFS, Withlacoochee Forestry Center With the disappearance of RCW's specialized habitat to 10% of the original, it took folks like Vince & Ryan to bring back the population's numbers. Come hear the details of the Redcockaded Woodpecker's amazing comeback.

MEETING DETAILS

Monthly meetings are held the 1st Monday of the month at Moccasin Lake Nature Park, 2750 Park Trail Lane, Clearwater 33759. Meetings start at 7pm. Mix-and-Mingle is at 6:30pm.

Field Trips Continued:

April 6th Monthly Bird Walk at Moccasin Lake Nature Park Meet at 8:00am. Leader - Madeleine Bohrer 748-6885

April 10th - Wednesday *Ft. DeSoto Park with Guest Leader David Goodwin* Meet at the Ft. DeSoto's flag pole at 7:30am. David Goodwin 813-481-8228

<u>April 13th Possum Branch Preserve</u> Mulberry trees, great migrants. Meet at the gated entrance just south of Curlew Rd. on McMullen Booth Rd. at 8:00am. Leader - Cuneyt Yilmaz 657-0803

<u>April 20th *Ft. DeSoto Park - Amazing Migrants*</u> Meet at the Wal-Mart 2677 Roosevelt Blvd. at 7:30am. Leader - Lynn Sumerson 215-7477

April 27th John Chesnut Park Meet at shelter 6 at 8:00am. Leader - Steve Reardon 510-1462

May 4th Purple Martins Nesting Condos - Brunch

Beautiful rolling hills of Brooksville with E. Bluebirds, E. Kingbirds, Red-headed Woodpeckers, E. Meadowlarks, and the main event - nesting Purple Martins. Meet at the Walgreens at the corner of US19 and Curlew Rd. on the SW corner at 7:00am. Leader - Dale Goebel 510-1462

Extended Trips for 2018 - 2019

North Florida - St. Marks Jan. 3rd - 6th, '19

Reservations required. Contact Paul Trunk 430-0368

<u>E. WASHINGTON WINTER CASCADE MT.</u> TRIP - January 24th - 29th, 2019

Snowy, N. Pygmy, Great Gray, Saw-Whet, Longeared Owls, Gray-crowned Rosie Finch, Blackbacked Woodpecker, N. Goshawk, Prairie Falcon, Gray Partridge, Chukar, Rough-legged Hawk, Golden Eagle, Amazing Mt. views & much more. Contact Dale Goebel 510-1462

Bird Banding on Caladesi Island & Hammock Parks with Jim McGinity

Caladesi Island Migratory Bird Banding Project mid-September - October 28th and mid March first of May. Hammock Park Dunedin Oct 18th & April 27th. Sunday mornings. Check the project blog for exact dates and times. http://hammockbirdbanding.wordpress.com



Field Trips and Programs

<u>2018-2019</u>

We represent Audubon Society members in Northern Pinellas County and provide services to all who are interested: free local field trips with knowledgeable birders, inexpensive extended field trips within the US and to other locales, free monthly programs, volunteer & networking opportunities within the local conservation community, scholarships to local summer camps, and speakers for a variety of classrooms and groups.

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Field Trips 2018 - 2019

Our field trips and programs are open to anyone who has an interest in learning about Florida's environment. Call or email the trip leader prior to the trip for directions and information.

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October 12th-14th *Suncoast Birding Festival* Highlights Wildlife Corridors and Migrating birds, experience Central FL's peak migration - over 180 species, field trips to the best wildlife sites in W. Central FL. Contact - John Hood 461-4762

October 13th Largo Central Park Nature Pre-

<u>serve</u> Meet in the parking lot at 8am. Leader - Dale Goebel 510-1462

October 20th *John Chesnut Park* Meet at shelter 6 at 8am. Leader - Steve Reardon 871-2706

October 27th *Ft. DeSoto Park* Meet at the Wal -Mart 2677 Roosevelt Blvd. at 7:30am. Leader -Madeleine Bohrer 748-6885

<u>November 3rd Monthly Bird Walk at Moccasin</u> <u>Lake Nature Park</u> Meet at 8:00am. Leader - Madeleine Bohrer 748-6885

November 10th *Upper Tampa Bay Park* Meet at the park 8001 Double Branch Rd. by the education center at 830am. \$2 fee per car. Leader - Cuneyt Yilmaz 657-0803

November 17th Werner - Boyce State Park, Birding by Kayak Meet at the Walgreens at the corner of US19 and Curlew Rd. on the SW corner at 8am. Carpooling, Bring \$\$ to rent or bring your own kayak. Leaders - Paul & Debbie Trunk 430-0368

November 24th Honeymoon Island State Park Shorebirds, eagle/owl nests. Meet behind the McDonald's on the corner of Curlew and Alt 19 at 8:00am. Leader - Frank Brandt 219-7509

December 1st *Monthly Bird Walk at Moccasin Lake Nature Park* Meet at 8:00am. Leader - Madeleine Bohrer 748-6885

December 15th South County CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT Want to help? - Contact Don Margeson 415-1371

December 22nd North County CHRISTMAS BIRD

<u>COUNT</u> Want to help? - Contact Paul Trunk 430-0368

December 29th *Cross Bar Ranch IS BACK* - Limited to 16 birders. MUST Make Reservations. Meet at Walgreens at the corner of US19 & Curlew Rd. at 6am. \$10 fee, Carpooling, BRING LUNCH & gas \$\$. Contact - Dale Goebel 510-1462

January 5th Monthly Bird Walk at Moccasin Lake Nature Park Meet at 8:00am Leader - Madeleine Bohrer 748-6885

January 12th Afternoon Chinsegut Wildlife Area Sandhill Cranes, bluebirds, red-headed woodpeckers, warblers, hawks, *BATS at DUSK* and much more. Meet at Walgreens at the corner of US19 and Curlew Rd. on the SW corner at **2pm. Dinner on the way back.** Leader - Dale Goebel 510-1462

January 19th *Emerson Point/Felts Preserve* Wetlands, mangroves and an oak hammock at Emerson Pt, then we will visit nearby Felts Pr, which is a great place to see wintering Painted Buntings. Meet at the Wal-Mart 2677 Roosevelt Blvd. at 7:30am. Carpooling, bring gas \$\$. Leader - Jim McGinity 667-29261

January 20th SUNDAY "A History of Conservation: A Bird's Eye View" 1pm - 5pm Florida Audubon Exhibit at the Tampa Bay History Center. Meet at the Wal-Mart 2677 Roosevelt Blvd. NW corner of the parking lot. Cost \$15 Leader - John Hood 445-5393

January 26th *Wall Spring Park – IT'S FINALLY* <u>OPEN</u> Meet at park at 7:30am. Leader - John Hood 445-5393

February 2nd *RAPTOR FEST* Boyd Hill Nature Park, St. Petersburg 10am - 4pm **Great Fun** for the whole family. **www.raptorfest.org**

February 2nd *Monthly Bird Walk at Moccasin Lake Nature Park* Meet at 8:00am Leader - Madeleine Bohrer 748-6885

February 9th *Three Sister's Springs, Crystal River* Winter warblers/birds, bluebirds, woodpeckers, and Manatees. Meet at the Walgreens at the corner of US19 and Curlew Rd. on the SW corner at 7:00am. **Carpooling, bring \$\$ for gas, admission fee \$12 & bag lunch.** Leader - Dale Goebel 510-1462

<u>February 10th SUNDAY Croom Rd, Brooksville -</u> <u>Red-cockaded Woodpeckers & Bachman Sparrow</u>

Bev Hansen HAS. Meet at 5:00AM at

Walgreens at the corner of US19 and Curlew Rd on the SW corner. Leader - Dale Goebel 510-1462

February 16th Honeymoon Island State Park

Shorebirds, eagle/owl nests. Meet behind the McDonald's on the corner of Curlew and Alt 19 at 8:00am. Leader - Frank Brandt 219-7509

February 23rd Brooker Creek's New Bike

<u>Trail Area - Bird by Bike or Walk</u> Meet at the corner of Lora Lane off of Keystone Rd. and Quail Forest Drive at 8:00am. Leaders - Tony & Pricilla Hernandez 480-4861

<u>March 2nd Monthly Bird Walk at Moccasin</u> <u>Lake Nature Park</u> Meet at 8:00am. Leader -Madeleine Bohrer 748-6885

March 7th THURSDAY Circle B Ranch - Trol-

ley or Walking Meet at the Wal-Mart 2677 Roosevelt Blvd. NW corner of the parking lot at 7:00am. Bring a bag lunch and gas \$ for carpooling please. Leaders - Lindsey Day - walking & Dale Goebel – trolley 510-1462

March 9th CAS PICNIC - John Chesnut Park Shelter 10, 11am - 2pm WATCH for MORE Information. Contact - Dale Goebel 510-1462

March 16th Neal & Perico Preserves - New Manatee Preserves especially for birds and birders Meet at the Wal-Mart 2677 Roosevelt Blvd. 7:30am. Carpooling & bring gas \$\$. Co-Leaders - Kathy Doddridge, Manatee Audubon and CAS's Cuneyt Yilmaz 657-0803

March 23rd Jumping Gully Preserve, Pasco

<u>County</u> Meet at the Walgreens at the corner of US19 and Curlew Rd. on the SW corner at 7am. LOTS of Walking. Carpooling, bring a bag lunch and gas \$\$. Leader Dale Goebel - 510-1462

<u>March 30th Aripeka Sandhills Preserve</u> Meet at Walgreens at the corner of US19 and Curlew Rd. on the SW corner at 7:00am. Carpooling, &

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<u>CAS strongly encourages carpooling</u> and helping the driver with gas expenses. If you want to go on a field trip and do not want to carpool, you may want to consider meeting the group at the destination.