

Mobile Bay Audubon Society

January - June 2016 Newsletter

MBAS CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 8, 2015

6:00 pm Five Rivers Delta Resource Center

Annual Christmas Party. MBAS will provide a main course and drinks. Please bring an appetizer or desert to share.

7:00 pm General Meeting "Hiking the Himalayas"---2.5 months spent exploring the mountainous regions of India and Nepal. Presented by Yael Girard, assistant director of the Weeks Bay Foundation.

Open to public. Bring a Friend.

ESILL Birding Class in 2016

Bird watching is fun, intellectually stimulating, physically challenging or totally sedentary. It can involve a great deal of money or a nominal investment. It can involve worldwide travel or just a walk to your porch. You can do it alone or with a group. You can enjoy it whether you are a beginner or it has been a lifelong endeavor. Whatever... birdwatching is the fastest growing spectator "sport" in the world!

If you are a beginner or a seasoned veteran, come meet with others to learn or review the Basics of Birding 101 being offered by ESILL and taught by Ann McLaurin and Diana Gardiner. The class will consist of four Tuesday morning sessions from 9:00-11:00 in March at the Fairhope Unitarian Fellowship. The class will cover help in identifying birds, equipment, places to bird, bird calls, migration, and how technology is helping us identify birds.

MBAS Calendar - January - June 2016

Unless otherwise stated, all meetings are held at Five Rivers Delta Resource Center at 7:00 pm and are open to the public.

Bring a friend!

January 12

General Meeting " Parks, Petroglyphs and Beasties of Utah, Colorado and Wyoming" presented by Tom Siegwald. 5 Rivers Delta Resource Center, 7:00 p.m. Bring a friend.

February 9

General Meeting " Trinidad" presented by Kathy Hicks. 5 Rivers Delta Resource Center, 7:00 p.m. Bring a friend.

March 8 TBA

April 12 TBA

May 10 TBA

At the end we invite you to join a field trip with Audubon Eastern Shore Birders. ESILL has not announced the dates of their spring classes so check with their website in January or the class dates will be announced on the Mobile Audubon Society Facebook pages or website.

Audubon Eastern Shore Birders Info

The Dec 16 field trip has been canceled due to poor conditions at the Blakeley Mud Flats.

The 2016 schedule has not been set yet. To get on the distribution list, contact Lynne Fitzgerald at aesbrlf1@gmail.com or 318-455-8566.

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Mobile Bay Audubon Wants You! Join Today!

MBAS is a chapter of the National Audubon Society. Every membership supports Audubon's vital efforts to protect birds, wildlife and natural habitats. When you join NAS, you will become a member of the nearest local chapter.

To join, go to the NAS webpage www.audubon.org and click on Member Center or send your membership information to National Audubon Society, Membership Data Center, PO Box 422247, Palm Coast, FL 32142-6716. A one year membership costs \$20.

For more information about MBAS, please see our website at www.mobilebayaudubon.org.

MBAS on Facebook

In addition to our website **MobileBayAudubon.org**, we now have two Facebook Page options - thanks so much to Kathy Hicks. There is a Mobile Bay Audubon Facebook Page that can be viewed even if you are not a member of Facebook. Just enter Mobile Bay Audubon Facebook in your search engine and you will be able to find and view that page. If you are a member of Facebook, consider Liking that page and the information posted will appear in your Facebook page Newsfeed. Notices of the upcoming Audubon programs are posted there. Details about the upcoming AESB birding trips as well as the reports including bird lists from the trips are also being posted –thanks so much to Lynne Fitzgerald for providing the information.

There is also a Mobile Bay Audubon Society Group page which you must be a member of Facebook to view – in addition to viewing the page you can become a member of the Group by clicking on Join. You need to Join if you want to be able to post or comment on that page. Our wonderful bird photographers have been posting their beautiful photographs on that page and sharing birding information.

Please check out these resources which have been designed to enhance communication about birding activities and sharing about the remarkable opportunities and sightings in our area.

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