Next Meeting – September 13, 2011

"Bird Diversity in the Amazon Rainforest and the Threat of Deforestation"

Dr. Erik I. Johnson

SEPTEMBER MEETING

When:  Tuesday, September 13, 6:00 p.m.
Where:  LSUS, Science Lecture Auditorium
Topic: Bird Diversity in the Amazon Rainforest and the Threat of Deforestation, presented by Dr. Erik I. Johnson

Dr. Erik I. Johnson will discuss bird diversity in the Amazon Rainforest related to deforestation. Dr. Johnson is a graduate of LSU’s School of Renewable Natural Resources and a student of Phil Stouffer. He studied the effects of tropical rainforest fragmentation and deforestation on birds in the central Amazon at the Biological Dynamics of Forest Fragmentation Project (BDFPP) near Manaus, Brazil. He was also active in the documentation of oiled birds after the Deepwater Horizon oil spill off the coast of Louisiana. He is now working, in Louisiana, as a conservation biologist for the National Audubon Society. Visit his website to learn more https://sites.google.com/a/tigers.lsu.edu/ejohn33/home.

Refreshments start at 6:00 p.m. and the program begins at 6:30 p.m. Come at 6 to chat with other birders!

The program is free and open to the public. For more information, including directions to the LSUS Science Lecture Auditorium, call us at 318-797-5338.

http://www.claiborneone.org/haynesville/butterfly.html
WILD BIRD CENTER EVENTS
BEGINNER BIRD WALKS

The Wild Bird Center conducts field trips the first and third Saturday of every month, weather permitting. Meet at Wild Bird Center in the University Place Shopping Center (Target Shopping Center) at the corner of Youree Drive and East 70th Street. Destinations vary according to local sightings and may include local parks, country roads or a private backyard. Loaner binoculars are available. Be sure to bring a field guide.

For more information on any Wild Bird Center event, please call Dennis or Janice Forshee at the Wild Bird Center, 318-797-BIRD (2473).

VOLUNTEER NEEDED TO ENTER BIRD RECORDS

We would like to have a volunteer to enter current and backlogged records into the BSG Bird database beginning as soon as possible. We have many valuable records to be entered. The process is very easy and a volunteer will receive complete instruction at the museum. We would like a volunteer for a few hours a day or week on a regular schedule so that we can get as many records entered. At this time it contains 59 years of observations, from 1952 to the present, a total of 268,989 records.

Any Suggestions for the BSG?

Your Board of Directors is trying very hard to improve the Bird Study Group and make it more attractive to new birders. Give us your suggestions about how to grow the BSG.

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Direct inquires to the Editor, Amanda Lewis, at (318) 797-5215.
12th Annual

Haynesville Celebration of Butterflies

September 10, 2011
“Butterfly Capital of Louisiana”

Claiborne Parish Fairgrounds
Haynesville, LA

Admission:
3 for Adults
$1 for children 6-18

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2011
9:00-9:30 Parade—Grand Marshal, Dump Hatter, renowned vocalist and inspiration for the book *The Famous Caterpillar*
9:45 Announcement of Parade winners
10:00-10:45 Bromeliads: Easier to Grow Than to Pronounce—Michael Seal
10:30-12:00 Creative Fun for Children
11:00-11:30 Gems of Cairo—Dancing on Stage
11:30-12:15 Cheerleaders Performing on Stage
11:30-12:15 Bluebird Trails Across America—James Dean
1:00-1:45 Flapping about My Favorite Butterfly Plants—Greg Grant
1:00-1:30 Silver Belles-Line Dancing on Stage
2:00-2:30 Gems of Cairo-Dancing on Stage
2:40-3:10 Strumdingers Ukulele Band
3:20-4:15 Wildflowers of Louisiana- Charles Allen, PhD
4:15-5:00 A Butterfly Buffet: Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner?-Loice Kendrick-Lacy
5:00 Drawing for Butterfly Quilt
5:00-6:30 Supper Break
6:30-Until Country, Bluegrass and Gospel Music

Other Festival Highlights:
Sale of Butterfly Plants, Books, T-Shirts
Community Art & Photography Exhibits,
Craft & Food Vendors,
Take-home Butterfly Towers (complete with caterpillars & food), Nature Photography Contest, Container Gardening Contest

Directions to Festival Site
Haynesville is located on U.S. Highway 79 in the Piney Woods near the Arkansas border. It is approximately 1 1/2 hours from Shreveport and Ruston, 30 minutes from Magnolia, El Dorado, Minden and Springhill.

For Butterfly Festival Information Contact:
Loice Kendrick-Lacy at (318) 624-1929 or
(870) 234-4910
Mailing Address: 203 Troy St.
Magnolia, AR 71753
E-Mail Address: loicelacy@att.net

Festival Sponsors:
Claiborne Chamber of Commerce
Haynesville Garden Club
LSU AG Center

FOR THE CHILDREN
Karaoke under the Pavilion
Bumper to Bumper Kiddie Rides, James Roach
Spacewalk
Sidewalk Art Competition—Suzy Allen
Other Outdoor Activities
Join/Renew the BSG!

The Bird Study Group of Shreveport invites you to become a member.
Renewals, please update information below.

Name(s)__________________________________ Address ____________________________________________

City _________________________________________ State _______ Zip _________________________

Email _________________________________ Phone (Home) _________________ Work ____________

☐ Yes, please add me to the email Bird Alert
☐ Leave me out of the BSG member directory

Membership Levels: ☐ Regular ($15.00) ☐ Sustaining ($35.00) ☐ Family, One Newsletter/ One Address ($20.00)

Names of Family Members:

Donations: Library ☐ Refuges ☐ Refreshments ☐ General ☐

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Shreveport, LA 71115-2399

BIRD STUDY GROUP PHONE NUMBERS AND MORE
Bird Study Group meets the second Tuesday of each month, September through June, 6:00 p.m. To be placed on the list to send & receive emails, email birdalert@birdstudygroup.org.
Contact the BSG by email: lhardy@lsus.edu or phone (318) 797-5338.
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