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Audubon Activities for August 2016

Aug 4: Monthly Meeting: Natural History and Conservation of the Bahama Parrot.

Although the Bahama Parrot is one of the closest native parrots to the United States, people rarely know of this species. Dr. Caroline Stahala has been conducting behavioral and demographic studies on this parrot for 14 years now and will be presenting on the species' natural history. This parrot exhibits a unique behavior in that it nests underground in limestone solution cavities. This also poses unique management challenges which other parrots do not face. The Bahamas National Trust has addressed this challenge as well as other conservation issues through its management. Join us to learn more about the Bahama Parrot, a charismatic and unique bird species.

The meeting will be held in room 130 of the student services building 400 at the Northwest Florida State College Niceville campus. Socializing begins at 6:30 PM and the program at 7:00 PM. Admission is free and open to the public. Call or e-mail Dr Don Baltz at 255 252-2760, dbaltz46@yahoo.com. For more information

A Purple Gallinule that nested at Veterans Park in 2016



One of three pair of Black Necked Stilts that nested at the Okaloosa Holding Ponds in 2016.



A not-so-gray Gray Kingbird-a juvenile at Veterans Park in 2016.



CAS Bird Walks and Field Trips 2016

Sep.	17	Fort Walton Beach Holding Ponds	Len Fenimore	850 863 2039	Pepito's Restaurant, Lewis Turner Blvd	7:30A M	See ducks and waders with an experienced birder.
Oct.	8	Fort Pickens, Gulf Islands Nat Seashore	Alan Knothe	850 208 1780	1. Uptown Station, Eglin Pkwy 2. Langdon Battery	7:00 8:15	Bring binoculars to look for migratory song birds & passerines. Closed shoes, long pants & bug spray are advised.
	15	Explore the Outdoors Festival, Live Oak Landing, Freeport	Lori Ceier	850 267 2064	229 Pitts Ave, Freeport liveoakland-ing.rvcoutdoors.com	9:00	Help children learn to identify birds with games, use binoculars & a scope. Bring water, bug spray & a lawn chair
	22	Veteran's Park, Okaloosa Island	Malcolm Mark Swan	210 343 9082	NE corner of parking lot, Convention Center	7:30	Over 200 species of birds in this remaining area of natural habitats. Wear closed shoes, hat, bug spray. Bring binoculars & camera.
Nov.	19	Highlights of Niceville, BWB Marina and Lake Phippen	Carole Good-year	850 897 2666	Bluewater Bay Winn Dixie parking lot under the sign.	7:30	See Loons, shorebirds, ducks, ospreys and woodpeckers, wear closed shoes and bring a sack lunch.
Dec.	3	Destin Beaches	Bruce Purdy	305 359 5334	Parking lot at SW end Marler (Destin) Bridge over East Pass	7:30	Discover gulls, terns and shorebirds with an experienced birder. Wear closed shoes & hat. Bring your camera and a friend or two.
	10	Christmas Party	Benner's	850 678 6665	4085 Bond Circle, Niceville	5:30	BYOB, a dish to share & item for silent auction.
	19	Christmas Bird Count	Alan Knothe	850 208 1780	TBA		Contact coordinator for details



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