



Gambel's Tales

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At our next meeting.... Wednesday, April 11, 2012, at 7 p.m.

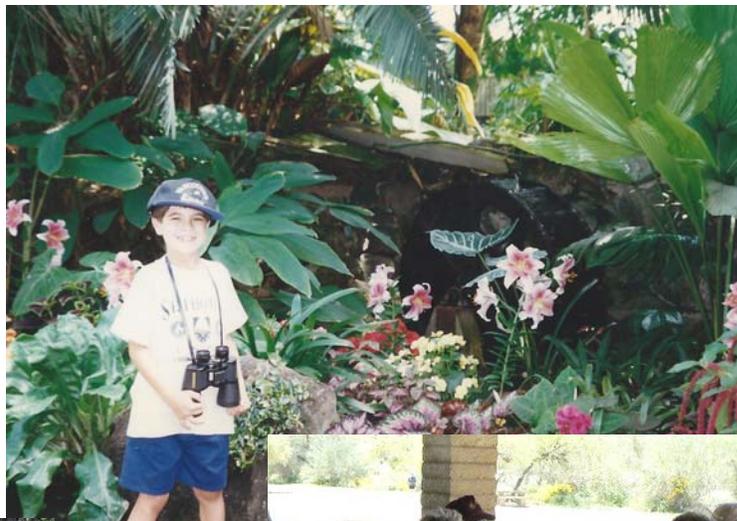
Our Members—Adventures in Bird Watching and What We Are About

This month's program is an unusual one—it's about our members and what we do in our chapter. Watching this program, I think you'll get a better idea of what we are about.

Using photographs supplied by members or ones I took at various functions, you will learn what the Chapter and its members do. This program was designed for you our members. In it we have over 115 people pictured. Some of you submitted pictures or articles which are included under "Members Input". In order to get as many people as possible in this program, I took photos from my albums that go all the way back to 2001 and put them into this program. It is broken down into eight parts.

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2. Important Bird Areas
3. Tres Rios Nature & Earth Festivals
4. Annual Picnics
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Guess who?



Fossil Creek



Picnic

What's Happening in our Chapter

By your Editor, George Wall

The Board met for their monthly meeting on March 7, 2012. Attending were George Wall, Tim Cullison, Haylie Hewitt, John Arnett, Eleanor Campbell, Joe Ford, Darnell Kirksey, Karen LaFrance, Jerry Theis and Andrée Tarby. Gail Bliss (future board member) and Kelly Wolff-Krauter (Arizona Game and Fish) also attended as a guests.

After the meeting opened, Kelly gave us a good briefing on Horseshoe Ranch.

Here are some of the other highlights:

Membership is currently at 844 with 100 Friends—58 are Friends only.

Darnell Kirksey passed out the report of the Education Committee meeting of February 17th. A habitat program is being set up, a Speakers Bureau is being planned and several other things are in the works.

The picnic was discussed at length.

The General Membership Meeting was held on March 14th. Prior to the main program, Tom Hildebrandt gave a short dissertation on Horseshoe Ranch. This is the spot where we will be having our picnic. It was an informative talk and answered many of our questions.

David and Diane Reesor then gave a program on Australian wildlife. Their pictures were absolutely stunning. David then showed us the equipment he used to take his pictures—a huge camera and a flexible tripod. They also showed a short program on the fireworks display held in February at Lake Havasu City.

It was a well attended meeting with 46 attendees including seven guests two of which joined us as “Friends”.

Besides the Tres Rios Nature and Earth Festival held the 10th and 11th of March, some other things were going on the same day. On Saturday, March 10th, Donna Smith and Dick Fogle managed a booth at the Outdoor Arizona Expo held at Sun City West. They passed out flyers, newsletters and sold a few books. At the same time, Time Cullison, Joe Ford, Darnell Kirksey, Andrée Tarby of the Sonoran Audubon Society and Emily Morris of Audubon Arizona were teaching Girl Scouts about birds at Audubon Arizona Center downtown. 34 Girl Scouts, 3rd and 4th graders, participated in this event.

Marshall Esty and George Wall manned a table at the 2nd Annual Spring Trek at North Mountain Park in Phoenix on March 17th. Tice Supplee led the bird walk.

2012 Field Trips—Spring

REQUIREMENT: On all trips, **YOU MUST** make reservations by calling the leader or the contact person. They can then give updated information as to the meeting place, times, etc. Also, some trips are limited in size.

Wednesday, April 4, 2012

Red Rock State Park

Leader: Dan Bohlmann, 602-938-8244

dansbohlmann@prodigy.net

This a beautiful State Park near Sedona with Oak Creek flowing through it and lots of cottonwoods and sycamores along the creek. There are trails running along the creek, around open meadows and up to the top of a small peak (Eagles Nest) overlooking the whole park which is a spectacular viewpoint. Within the park is a favorite nesting area of the Common Black Hawk. There are a great variety of birds that have been seen here such as great flocks of Cedar Waxwings and Red-winged Blackbirds, Blue Grosbeaks, Oregon Juncos, Spotted and Green-tailed Towhees, Lesser Goldfinches, Cardinals, Black-headed Grosbeaks, Western Bluebirds, Summer and Western Tanagers, Bullock's Oriole, Robins, Nuthatches, Chickadees, Scrub Jays, Swallows, Red-shafted Flickers, Hairy and Ladder-backed Woodpeckers, Vireos and Warblers depending on the time of year. There is a \$5 per car park entrance fee.

Difficulty: 2 Bring Lunch.

Meet at Fry's Electronics Store, 31st Ave. and Thunderbird in the parking lot on the north side of the building (N.E. corner) to leave at 7:00 a.m.

Saturday, April 21, 2012

Mt. Ord

Leader: Andrée Tarby 602-421-9425

awtarby@gmail.com

This is a perfect time of year to go to Mt. Ord for birds. There are grassland, pinyon, juniper, and ponderosa pine habitats. Mr. Ord is the highest bird habitat in Maricopa County. We may encounter Rufous-crowned Sparrow, Scott's Oriole, Gray Vireo, Black-chinned Sparrow, and many warblers as well as Summer and Hepatic Tanagers. A high-clearance vehicle is required.

Difficulty: 2 Bring Lunch.

Meet at Denny's in Fountain Hills to leave at 7 a.m. Alternate meeting spot is the Burger King just off of 101 on Thunderbird Avenue to leave at 5:45 a.m. It's a 1 hour drive from the Burger King to Denny's.

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2012 Field Trips— Spring

Friday-Sunday, April 27-29, 2012

Brown Canyon Ranch & Area

Leader: George Wall, 623-875-7057

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This is a special trip that we arranged with Buenos Aires National Wildlife Preserve. We reserved the Brown Canyon Environmental Education Center. The **trip is full**, but you could add your name to the waiting list just in case.

Saturday, April 28, 2012

Glendale Library Gardens

Leader: Joe Ford 623-792-8154 lford25@cox.net

In place of the Brown Canyon trip listed above, you can try this trip. It is a bird walk for beginners and for people who like to walk in the beautiful Xeriscape gardens where Gila Woodpeckers are seen in the palms and you have to chase the peacocks from underfoot.

Meet at the Glendale Library at 8 a.m. The Library is located at the corner of 59th Avenue and Brown in Glendale.

Thursday-Saturday, May 10-12, 2012

Patagonia

Leader: Kathe Anderson

Contact: Donna Smith 623-556-9535

rms15247@cox.net

A trip to Patagonia leaving Thursday morning at 4:15 a.m. and staying at a B&B. This trip is limited to 8 people and is **currently full**. Put your name on the waiting list as there is always a possibility.

Thursday-Sunday, May 31-June 3, 2012

Chiricahua Mountains (Portal)

Contact: Barb Meding barbameding@yahoo.com

John Yerger from Adventure Birding lives in Portal and will be our guide as we explore the Chiricahua Mountains. The first day we will bird from the lower elevation grassland/Chiricahua desert scrub up to mid-elevations in Cave Creek Canyon. The second day we will start at a different mid-elevation habitat and then bird up to the high elevations. Some of the 100 species likely to be seen include: Band-tailed Pigeon, 5 species of Hummingbirds, Elegant Trogon, 6 species of flycatchers, Mexican Chickadee, Juniper and Bridled Titmice, 3 nuthatch species, resident warblers, Yellow-eyed Juncos, 3 species of Tanagers, Indigo and Lazuli Buntings, and 3 species of Orioles.

We will also have 2 evening trips on which we will

to hear (hopefully see) Elf Owl, Whiskered Screech Owl, Northern Pygmy Owl, Common Poorwill and Mexican Whip-poor-will. With luck and John's expertise we might find a Mexican Spotted Owl or a Flammulated Owl.

Contact leader for reservations and information including accommodations in Portal.

Wednesday, June 6, 2012

Granite Basin & Mint Wash, Prescott, AZ

Contact: Dan Bohlmann, 602-938-8244

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If you can't make the Chiricahua Mountains (Portal) trip, how about this one a few days later? Rich Schooler will lead a trip to look for mid-elevation breeding birds in the vicinity of Granite Basin Lake and adjacent Mint Wash riparian area. This trip is limited to 10 people plus the Schoolers.

Difficulty: 1—Bring a lunch.

Meet at the Burger King just off of 101 on Thunderbird Avenue to leave at 6 a.m. It's a 1 hour 40 minute drive from the Burger King to Prescott. Alternate meeting place is at McDonald's at the Carefree Highway. Need to meet in Prescott at 8 a.m.



Welcome and Thank You

We have several new Sonoran Audubon Society members who joined the National Audubon Society or transferred into our area which automatically makes them a member of our chapter. The new members (some re-joined) are Michael Baxter, Karen Bayless, Donald Beebe, Jean Bickel, Alex Boros, Bob Cirillo, Jack Curry, Alan and Carol Dadd, David Davis, Laura Egan, Gail Farland, Dinah Fogel, Elaine Fox, Karin Giacalone, Susan Hahn, Joan Hahn, Linda Hayne, Donna Hone, Bob Koster, Marian McGhee, Melissa McGinnis, Maureen Miller, Peter Minder, Bonnie Naftalin, Cynthia Penn, Shirley Ramaley, Carol Rankin, Lyle Riemer, Marygill Savoren, Loreen Shipley, Harriet Stone, Cornelia Sullivan, Stan Tidey and Barry Wukasch.

We also have a few first time new "Friends" Dave Hoven, Levi Espinoza, Travis Hitchner and Marla Wilson.

The "Friends" drive is still on and we hope a lot more of you will renew your "Friends" membership or join us.

A Journey to Thailand

By Dr. Jerry Theis

I visited Thailand in Jan-Feb 2012 with Field Guides Birding Tours on a birding expedition, contributing to their tourism industry, a significant part of their economy. Thailand, “the land of smiles”, formerly Siam (final name change on May 11, 1949) is a country located at the center of the Indochina peninsula in SE Asia. It is bordered to the north by Burma (Myanmar) and Laos, to the east by Laos and Cambodia, to the south by the Gulf of Thailand and Malaysia, and to the west by the Andaman Sea and the southern extremity of Burma. Thailand is the world’s 51st largest country in total area and is the 21st most-populous country. The capital and largest city is Bangkok, which is Thailand’s political, commercial, industrial and cultural hub. About 75% of the population is ethnically Thai and the primary religion is Buddhism. Wats (temples) are visible throughout the country.

We flew into Bangkok, birded the hotel grounds and national parks near the city before flying north to Chiang Mai, our base for birding all the mountains on the Thailand/Burma border. The northern part of the country consists of the Thai highlands, with the highest point being Doi Inthanon at 8415 ft. Southern Thailand consists of the narrow Kra Isthmus that widens into the Malay Peninsula. The local climate is tropical (supporting beautiful orchids) and characterized by monsoons. There is a rainy, warm and cloudy SW monsoon from mid-May to September, as well as a dry, cool NE monsoon from November to mid-March. The southern isthmus is always hot and humid. I did not participate in the extension, which was in the isthmus. Recent flooding was evident only by the water lines on buildings and the sandbag depots. Southern Thailand is naturally very wet due to shrimp farms, salt pans and rice paddies.

Thailand’s cuisine blends five fundamental tastes: sweet, spicy, bitter, sour and salty. Common ingredients in Thai cuisine include garlic, chilies, lime juice, lemon grass, and fish sauce. The staple food is rice, which is included in almost every meal, including breakfast. Thailand is the world’s largest exporter of rice. The only western foods we encountered were eggs (omelets, fried, etc.) at breakfast and spaghetti during field lunches.

Now about the birds of Thailand, the main reason we flew 24 hours to get there. Thailand’s position at an ornithological crossroads accounts for a rich country list of 928 species. Resident birds in the NW comprise a list with such names like minivet, parrotbill, fulvetta, spiderhunter, mesia, minla, yuhina, iora, sibia, barwing, niltava, and scimitar-babbler. Closer to Bangkok, birds include babblers, laughingthrushes, broadbills, malkohas, flowerpeckers and tailorbirds. We saw well over 400 species, many of them easiest to see in Thailand, even though few were endemic. Highlights included the endangered Spoonbilled Sandpiper, and the Giant Nuthatch, Ratchet-tailed Treepie and Coral-billed Ground-Cuckoo.

In addition to birds, there are many other creatures in Thailand. Insects are prevalent, although we mostly saw only butterflies. People in Thailand enjoy insects as a snack food, often enjoyed with beer. Maybe this custom could become a Super Bowl tradition here! There are over 145 species of snakes in Thailand (45 poisonous). We saw only one, a small black-and-yellow banded variety, that bit our guide’s shoe on an owling evening. Of the 310 species of reptiles, we saw several huge monitor lizards, both river and forest varieties, as well as bedroom-friendly geckoes and a flying lizard. Of the 264 mammal species, we saw several deer (Sambar, Barking), elephants, Macaques (pig-tailed and long-tailed), the charming White-handed Gibbon, and the rarely-seen, nocturnal Binturong, a member of the Civet family.



Coral-billed Ground Cuckoo—photo from Wikipedia

Lastly, I would be remiss if I didn’t mention leeches. They are the most commonly mentioned scourge of SE Asia, especially during the rainy season. Several of our party were phlebotomized by these toothpick-sized leeches, each bite leaving a quarter-sized circle of blood. They particularly like feet and ankles so the best prevention is to tuck your pants into your socks, providing a thicker barrier. I also sprayed my upper shoes and socks with repellent and I escaped any bites. Leeches are present under leaf litter and even on bathroom walls in the national parks. Salt and cigarette lighters are the recommended measures to employ if a leech breaches your clothing barrier!

Festivals & Other Events

April 7—Hassayampa River Preserve Anniversary Celebration. See page 8 of this newsletter.

April 26-9 – Verde Valley Birding & Nature Festival at Dead Horse Ranch State Park
See www.birdyverde.org for schedule.

May 5 – San Pedro Spring Fest at Sierra Vista
See www.sanpedroriver.org.

May 7 – Madera Canyon International Migratory Bird Day
See www.friendsofmaderacanyon.org.

June 23 – Flagstaff Hummingbird Festival at Flagstaff Arboretum
See www.thearb.org/events_hummingbird.php.

August 1-5 – Southwest Wings Birding Festival at Sierra Vista
See www.swwings.org.

Tucson Bird & Wildlife Festival

The first-ever Tucson Bird & Wildlife Festival is scheduled for August 17 - 21. "August is the time when we have more species of birds in southeast Arizona than at any other time of year," said Dr Paul Green, Executive Director of Tucson Audubon. See their web site at www.tucsonaudubon.org/festival.

FAMILY BIRD WALKS AT ESTRELLA

Sponsored by the Sonoran Audubon Society

Estrella Mountain Park is located on the south side of the Gila River in Goodyear at Bullard Ave. and Vineyard Rd.

SATURDAYS: These walks are held the second Saturday of each month. Because of the Tres Rios Nature and Earth Festival, the next walk will be on **Saturday, April 14, 2012**. Meet at the visitor's center parking lot at 8:00 a.m. The walk will last approximately 2 hours. For further information, contact Joe Ford: 623-792-8154 lford25@cox.net.

SUNDAYS: These walks are held the fourth Sunday of each month. The next walk will be on **Sunday, April 22, 2012**, at 8:00 a.m. Follow the signs to the dirt parking lot on the east side of the park (Navy Area). For further information contact Bob McCormick at 602-373-2952 mcbobaz@aol.com or Andrée Tarby at 602-421-9425 awtarby@gmail.com.

There is a \$6.00 per vehicle charge for entering the park; however, the bird walks are free of charge.

The bird walk held at Estrella on the 2nd Saturday in March had 15 people in attendance. Because of the Tres Rios Nature and Earth Festival, birds were a little scarce and only 21 birds were seen with the best birds being an Orange-crowned Warbler and a Belted Kingfisher.

Backyard Bird Habitats

By George Wall

One thing that we as Sonoran Audubon Society members like to see are more birds and wildlife in the west valley. One way to do this is by providing habitat and promote conservation for wildlife.

In the coming months, I'd like to focus on some backyard habitats of members like the Scheuers' article on the following page. If you have a habitat that has water, food, and shelter which are all necessary for attracting birds and wildlife, let me know. I would be happy to come to your yard, interview you and take some pictures for a future article. If the yard qualifies, a certificate from the Sonoran Audubon Society will be issued stating your yard is a backyard wildlife habitat.

Spotlight and Bird Habitats

By Eleanor Campbell and George Wall

Arlene and Alvin Scheuer, who are founding members of Sonoran Audubon Society, have resided in Phoenix for 41 years. Arlene, the birder and citizen scientist, has been interested in birds since her childhood on Long Island, New York, while Alvin, the photographer, has been an avid picture taker and movie maker since his youth.

They combined skills at their home at Sunburst Farms and have documented the breeding cycle of the Greater Roadrunner and Anna's Hummingbird on video. The Cornell Lab of Ornithology used them to help launch a new program called eBird. The Lab website's Great Backyard Bird Count Gallery this year includes their pictures of the Lesser Goldfinch and Verdin on page four.

Arlene is a lifetime member of the National Bird-Feeding Society and has been interviewed on their website. Clips of their video on the Greater Roadrunner family were included in the Arizona Game and Fish production of "Arizona Wildlife Views" TV series on PBS. Jim Burns, our local calendar photographer, visited their habitat to take pictures. The Arizona Republic newspaper featured them in an article on Project Feeder Watch and a photographer with National Geographic magazine contacted them for potential bird habitats.



Arlene & Alvin Scheuer



Front Yard Facing Northeast



Side Yard Facing North

When I visited their home and took these pictures (except for the *Pyrrhuloxia*), I was amazed at all of their cacti, flowering plants, and trees designed to attract birds in their front yard, backyard and side yard and they are firm believers in native plants.

They bought their house and two acres of land 40 years ago. They first had a lot of animals on their property, but in time they sold the animals and started in on designing their backyard habitat. In 1988, they got their yard certified by the National Wildlife Federation as a Wildlife Habitat.



One of two sensor cameras



Pyrrhuloxia

Their sightings which they enter into www.ebird.com contributes to research done by the Cornell University Lab of Ornithology. In their yard, they have two sensor cameras and they have taken as many as 700 photographs in one day. While I was there, the camera tripped and a picture of a *Pyrrhuloxia* was taken (shown here). This bird also visited them during the Great Backyard Bird Count and was the only one entered into the count from the Phoenix area.

Tres Rios Nature and Earth Festival

By George Wall

Every year for the past several years, Phoenix has put on the Tres Rios Nature and Earth Festival. Several sponsors participate as well as our own Sonoran Audubon Society and this year was no exception. We have a booth as well as handle all the bird walks.

Manning the booth during the two day event were Eleanor Campbell, Gerry Horton, Nancy Kroening, Dawn Langston, Tom Lazzelle, Chuck Richard, George Wall and Rosemary Zanter. Besides passing out flyers, brochures and answering questions about birds, books and caps sales totaled \$165.

The bird walks that started early in the morning were really a hit. Over 100 attended the walks and 66 different species of birds were seen during the day. Participating in the walks were John Arnett, Joe Ford, Frank and Sam Insana, Rich Kaiser, Bob McCormick who was in charge, and Andrée Tarby. A special thanks for also helping goes to USFS Wildlife Biologists Julie Camp and Greg Dunn.



Eleanor Campbell showing some books to an attendee while Tom Lazzelle looks on.



Bob McCormick and Andrée Tarby getting ready for the bird walks.



One of our members, Andrea Nesbitt, who volunteers for the Adobe Mountain Wildlife Center shows off some of the injured birds they assist. The main feature was a Black-crowned Night-Heron. The Red-tailed hawk was just one of the birds seen during the day.

OTHER EVENTS IN AND AROUND THE VALLEY

Audubon Arizona Rio Salado Habitat

Audubon's Birds 'n Beer, is again being offered in 2012. Local professionals will give you a refreshing way to learn about Arizona birds and other wildlife while networking with fellow nature-lovers. Professionals from all over the Valley come to the Nina Mason Pulliam Rio Salado Audubon Center to enjoy a cold Four Peaks brew while enjoying an enlightening and lively presentation on Arizona nature. Stop into the Audubon Center every third Thursday of the month, 5:30 - 7:30 for this popular event generously sponsored by Four Peaks Brewery.

The Nina Mason Pulliam Rio Salado Audubon Center located at 3131 S. Central Avenue in Phoenix. Call 602-468-6470 or e-mail riosalado@audubon.org for more information about their programs and events.

Birders' Anonymous

Birders' Anonymous has their monthly meeting on Friday, April 20, 2012, starting at 10:00 a.m. at the Church of the Palms on the corner of Boswell and 103rd Ave. in Sun City. The program will be presented by Birdbath Artist Dan Kallberg. The field trip for the month is on April 14, 2012, to Hassayampa River Preserve led by George Wall. We'll leave the Church of the Palms at 7:20 a.m. in order to get to Hassayampa by 8 a.m. to observe bird banding.

For further information on Birders' Anonymous contact Marshall Esty at 623-977-1637 or at mne@juno.com or Shirley Fackelman at shirleyfackelman@yahoo.com.

Hassayampa River Preserve

There is an Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, April 7, 2012, from 8 a.m.—2 p.m. There will be guided bird walks at 8 and 10 a.m., Wildman Phil's Reptiles from 10-11:30 a.m. and much more. Save the date. The Sonoran Audubon Society will have a table there.

Anne Leight has bird banding programs on Saturday, April 14th starting at 6:30 a.m. and on Saturday, April 21st at 7 a.m. Newcomers are welcome; however, if you want to help bird band, you must contact Anne Leight at birdannabelle@hotmail.com.

Birding 103 is on Saturday, April 14, 2012, from 7-10 a.m. Learn more about this fascinating hobby of birding with professional birder Kathe Anderson. A short guided hike along the preserve trails will follow.

The preserve is open mid-September through mid-May Wednesday-Sunday 8 a.m.— 5 p.m. and mid-May through

mid-September Friday - Sunday 7-11 a.m. Entrance fees Entrance fees are \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children. Members fee is \$3.00.

Gilbert Water Ranch

The Gilbert Water Ranch is located on the SE corner of Greenfield and Guadalupe Roads in Gilbert, Arizona. From the Superstition Freeway (US 60) exit at Greenfield Road and drive S. on Greenfield for 1.5 miles. Turn east (left) on Guadalupe. The entrance to the parking lot for the Water Ranch is the third driveway on the right. See the web site at <http://sites.google.com/site/birdsofthegilbertwaterranch/>.

Arizona Field Ornithologists

AZFO have several surveys and field expeditions coming up in the near future. One is April 28-29 at the Big Sandy Wash near Wikieup. See their website at www.Azfo.org for more details.

Boyce Thompson Arboretum

Bird walks are being held on April 7, 8, 21 and 22 April. They start at the breezeway lobby of the visitor center beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Boyce Thompson Arboretum opens at 8:00 a.m. \$9.00 for adults, \$4.50 for ages 5-12. For driving directions or other details, call 520-689-2811 or visit their website at <http://arboretum.ag.arizona.edu/>.

Desert Botanical Garden

Every Monday bird walks are held starting at 8 a.m.

Desert Botanical Garden entrance fees of \$15.00 (\$13.50 seniors) apply unless you're a DBG member. Membership is \$75 a year. When special events are held, the entry fee could be higher. See their website at www.dbg.org for further information.

Arizona State University Desert Bird Tours

A new place heard from that is conducting Desert Bird Tours. On Tuesdays, April 3, 10 and 17, 2012, from 9-10 a.m. at the Deer Valley Rock Art Center, educator Jo Brookshier will take you on a walk along the Center's trail. You'll learn about the Sonoran desert birds that make this nature preserve their home. Tour admission which includes the museum is adults \$7, seniors \$4 and children \$3. Reservations are required. Please call 623-582-8007.



Join the Sonoran Audubon Society

This can be done in two ways: become a “Friend” of the Sonoran Audubon Society or join the National Audubon Society. The difference is as a “friend” all the money goes to our chapter. As a National member, you still become a member of our chapter, but less money goes to us; however, you get the National Audubon Society Magazine. Some people choose to do both. See our website for the applicable forms.

Adult or family membership: \$20.00
Seniors (60 and up): \$15.00
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www.desertriversaudubon.org
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www.maricopaaudubon.org
Arizona Field Ornithologists: www.azfo.org
National Audubon: <http://audubon.org/>



7480 W. Bell Rd in Glendale and located near 75th Avenue behind Mimi's Café and next to the Souper Salad. Ph: 623-773-3000
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Care Centers for Birds

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Handles and cares for all birds
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Calendar of Monthly Meetings...

Location: West Valley Unitarian Universalist Church, corner of 59th Ave. and Cholla in Glendale — **Time:** 6:30 p.m. for socializing and 7 p.m. for the start of the meeting and program.

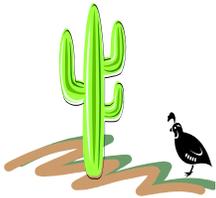
Schedule for the Year:

April 11, 2012: Members—Adventures in Bird Watching—What does a Chapter do?

May 9, 2012: Tom Gaskill—Egypt

September 12, 2012: Joe Ford—Canaries in the Coal Mine

Other Dates of Interest: April 4, 2012, 7 p.m. Board Meeting at West Valley Unitarian Universalist Church, corner of 59th Ave. and Cholla in Glendale. Members are invited to attend as guests.



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