

Gambel's Tales

The Newsletter of the Sonoran Audubon Society

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At our next meeting.... Wednesday, March 11, 2009 at 7 p.m.

Amy Leu, Wildlife Rehabilitator presents "FEATHERED HEARTS"

Amy Leu will present a program on the work being done at her organization "Feathered Hearts" which is located in Cordes Lakes, Arizona. Feathered Hearts is a 501 c 3 nonprofit wild bird sanctuary whose mission is to educate the public on the importance of wildlife and the environment. The birds at Feathered Hearts are currently two ravens, two crows, white dove, mourning dove and Gila Woodpecker although this may have changed before you read this. The organization attends several different festivals to educate people on how they can help wild birds and what they can do once they find an injured bird.

Amy Leu is an Arizona state and federal permitted wildlife rehabilitator and "Feathered Hearts" an Arizona state and federal permitted wildlife holding center for educational wild birds. She has been rehabilitating birds since 1996 and has also been a vet technician for three years. Feathered Hearts webpage is http://featheredhearts.com/



Morrigan the Crow and Spirit the Dove



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What's Happening in our Chapter? By Your Editor, George Wall

The Sonoran Audubon Society board meeting convened at 7 p.m. on February 4, 2009. The attendees were Bob McCormick, Karen LaFrance, Carol Schooler, Eleanor Campbell, Chuck Richards, Rich Schooler, Andrée Tarby, George Wall and guest Dr. Jerry Theis.

As of January, there were 633 National (NAS)/Sonoran Audubon Society (SAS) members and 112 Friends of SAS.

The next Trip Committee meeting on March 12, 2009, will plan trips through the summer.

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What's Happening in our Chapter?

George Wall and Eleanor Campbell volunteered to continue to organize the programs through Spring 2010.

The nominating committee has a full slate. See pages 6-7.

Bettina Bickel was praised for her articles so far on the Focus Birds.

Travel funds were approved for the February thrasher survey in southwest Arizona.

Bob McCormick noted that the first month of the Salt/Gila IBA surveys are completed.

The Board discussed if SAS should be a nonprofit partner in AZGFD's June purchase of the Horseshoe Ranch. Karen LaFrance suggested we apply for an Innovation Grant to do this.

<u>General Membership Meeting:</u> Over 65 people including several guests showed up to hear Moez Ali give a great program on Birds of Kenya. Moez, who is from Kenya, enthralled everyone with his presentation.

Spring 2009 Field Trips

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

Saturday-Sunday, March 7-9, 2009 Tres Rios Nature Festival See Separate article on page 7.

Thursday, March 19, 2009 Boyce Thompson Arboretum Leader: George Wall 623-875-7057 gwall5@cox.net

This location near Superior is an excellent birding area that has all types of trees and fauna. It also has permanent running water that is attracting more and more varieties of birds. Usually you'll see 40-50 species.

Difficulty: 1 Bring a lunch.

Meet at the Bell Recreation Center parking lot on Hutton Drive near Boswell in Sun City to leave at 6 a.m. There is an entrance fee of \$7.50 per person.

Thursday, March 26, 2009 B&M/P.I.R. (where Tres Rios Festival was held) Leader: Rich Schooler 623-930-8904

rashooler@cox.net

This is a trip designed to look for rails, bitterns and soras. We'll be getting there just about daylight in order to call these reed dwellers out into the open.

Difficulty: 1 Morning trip only.

Meet at the Burger King just off of 101 on Thunderbird to leave at 5:30 a.m. or meet at the site at 6:00 a.m.

Saturday, April 4, 2009 Madera Canyon Leader: Richard Kaiser 602 276-3312 rkaiserinaz@aol.com

Situated in the Coronado National Forest in southern Arizona, this is one of the nation's top birding areas. The habitat varies from the grasslands of Florida Canyon to a heavily wooded area above the 5,000 foot level. We will be looking for birds from parking areas at the famous Proctor Road, Bog Springs and Santa Rita Lodge feeders. Species we will look for include Painted Redstart, Arizona Woodpecker, Yellow-eyed Junco, Ash-throated Flycatcher, and Elegant Trogon.

Difficulty: 1 Bring a lunch.

Meet at the McDonald's Restaurant in Green Valley at the Continental Road exit off of I-19 at 7:00 a.m. Call the leader to confirm participation and knowledge of meeting place and time. This trip might be extended into Sunday morning.

Wednesday, April 15, 2009 Page Springs Leader: Rich Schooler 623-930-8904

rashooler@cox.net

Page Springs is a fish hatchery where water also attracts many birds. There are also Arizona Sycamore and cottonwoods surrounding the water. Bridled Titmouse is a resident and Common Black Hawks nest regularly. There is a birding trail that is a part of the Page Springs Important Bird Area.

Difficulty: 1 Bring a Lunch.

Meet at McDonald's just off of I-17 in Carefree to leave at 6:00 a.m.

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Spring 2009 Field Trips

Saturday, April 25, 2009 Yarnell Park and Area

Leader: Eleanor Campbell 623 977-7639

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Exploration of the park and side streets in tiny Yarnell in the Weaver Mountains at 4,700 ft. north of Wickenburg should reveal a variety of resident, migratory and summer nesting birds. The park has woods, a stream and a ravine where Summer Tanager, Black-headed Grosbeak, Phainopepla and Juniper Titmouse have been seen. The Acorn Woodpecker is a resident. There could be Bullock's Oriole and warblers searching the wooded habitat for food.

Difficulty: 1 Morning only, but plan to eat in a popular local restaurant.

Meet at Bell Recreation Center, corner of Hutton Dr. and Boswell Blvd, in Sun City to leave at 6:30 a.m. OR at Wickenburg Community Center at 7:30 a.m. (Take Rte. 60 northwest to Wickenburg. Cross the bridge over the Hassayampa River and immediately turn right onto the street that takes you to the large white building and parking lot.)

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 Avenue and Vineyard Road. This riparian area consists of exposed shorelines, mature trees, the occasional marsh surrounded by desert scrub hillsides and in the park itself, many mesquite, palms and other trees.

There is a \$6.00 per vehicle charge for entering the park; however, the bird walks and loaner binoculars are otherwise free of charge. Dress warmly at this time of year.

SATURDAYS: These walks are held the second Saturday of each month. The next walk will be on Saturday, March 14, 2009. Meet at the new visitor's center parking lot at 8:00 a.m. There will be live raptors for viewing. The walk will last approximately 2 hours. For further information, contact Rich Schooler at 623-930-8904, raschooler@cox.net.

Another excellent turn-out for the February bird walk as nine people showed up to participate. 32 species of birds were seen including a Gray Flycatcher.

SUNDAYS: These walks are held the fourth Sunday of each month. The next walk will be on Sunday, March 22, 2009, at 8:00 a.m. Follow the signs to the dirt parking lot on the east side of the park. For further information

contact Bob McCormick at 602-373-2952, mcbo-baz@aol.com or Andrée Tarby at atarby@cox.net.



Photos by George Wall

While the walk was in progress, a seminar pertaining to birds was being conducted by Cathy Wise of Audubon Arizona in the visitors center. The Adobe Mountain Wildlife Center and the Sonoran Audubon Society were asked to participate.



L-R: Cathy Wise, Andrea Nesbitt, Loretta & Chuck Richards

Focus Birds

We are continuing our effort to make you aware of the ten birds we are focusing on this year. The January newsletter focused on the Verdin. This month it is the Yuma Clapper Rail. Please read the article by Bettina Bickel on page 5. As conservationists and bird lovers, we need to be aware of what is happening in our area and in the world around us.

On our web page, <u>www.sonoranaudubon.org</u> under projects, there is a page of four bookmarks with all the focus birds.

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Lake Pleasant Birding Trip Saturday, February 7, 2009, By Dan Bohlmann

It was a cold and cloudy morning when we headed out for the lake hopeful that the threat of rain would hold off until later in the day. When we started our hike down the Pipeline Trail on the west side of the lake we began to think that all the birds had slept in due to the stormy looking solid cloud cover. We hadn't gone too far up the canyon when we felt that we were being watched and sure enough there were 10 sets of beady eyes looking at us from the bottom of the canyon, each set of eyes had two long ears above them listening to us talking. At first they appeared to be jackrabbits, but considering how far away they were we realized they were a herd of wild burros. They obviously were not afraid of us, because they didn't move. We then started pointing and hollering at each other look, look, can you believe it, burros, burros, wild burros!! They were as fascinated with us as we were with them. They had never seen a herd of human beings before with binocular eyes.

As we went further up the canyon, we could hear lots of familiar bird voices but we didn't see much of anything. We finally came to the area where an inlet of water from the lake backs up into a side canyon and the powers that be built a pontoon bridge over the inlet so that the trail could continue. It was there that we started seeing all sorts of birds that came to take advantage of the water and the willow trees that were growing there. The first to greet us with their "this is our place calls" were the Black



Photo by George Wall

Phoebe, Canyon Wren, Rock Wren, Cactus Wren, Cassin's Kingbird, Gila and Ladder-backed Woodpeckers, House Finch, Yellow-Rumped Warbler and Raven. On the way back to the cars, we saw a Curve-Billed Thrasher, Black-throated Sparrow, and heard a Verdin, Blue-Gray Gnatcatcher, Cardinal and Gambel's Quail. Then we headed over to the new Marina and saw a Red-tailed Hawk, Ring-Billed Gull, Mallard, Turkey Vulture, American Coots (tons of them) and with the help of George's scope we were able to identify three Common Goldeneyes. We almost got into trouble when we were near some fisherman and started commenting on how the lake was crawling with old American Coots everywhere fishing on the lake. In transit to and from the lake we picked up several more species near the lake, a Western Meadowlark and a Morning Dove making a total of 24 species.

Those that came on the trip were Joe Ford, John and Judi Heath, Bruce Melanson, Liz Morris, George Wall and Leader Dan Bohlmann.

See the article in the February 24, 2009, edition of the Arizona Republic where 11 of the 280 burros at Lake Pleasant were slaughtered by unknown persons. A \$5,000 reward has been offered for finding the culprits.

Photo contest

The Sonoran Audubon Society in conjunction with our new focus on Arizona's Common Birds in Decline has started a photo contest. Winners' photos will be used in the brochures, postcards, and bookmarks that we will be producing over the next few months. All photos submitted will be used in power-point presentations before our general meetings.

The birds: Phainopepla, Verdin, Cactus Wren, Yuma Clapper Rail, Gilded Flicker, Elf Owl, Yellow-billed Cuckoo, Costa's Hummingbird, Burrowing Owl and Black-throated Sparrow.

Rules are simple: Please try to limit the photo size to 1 Meg. Photos that have to be scanned may have a reduction in image quality. Please respect all local, state, and federal laws in obtaining your photos.

The board will select all winning photos. There is a potential of three winners for each bird. If you desire your photo to be left as is, please let us know, otherwise, we reserve the right to crop the photo to fit the media selected.

Submit photos with your name to mcbobaz@aol.com (or mail to Bob McCormick P.O. Box 674 Laveen AZ 85339) with the words **Photo Contest** in the heading. Deadline is April 31st 2009.

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Mystery of the Marsh By Bettina Bickel

Yuma clapper rails are mysterious birds of the marsh that are more often heard than seen. Their secretive nature, cryptic coloration, and dense habitat make them difficult to study, and scientific surveys usually rely on their calls. The *kek* call is made by unpaired males early in the breeding season, while the *clapper* call is made by mated pairs.

The Yuma clapper rail is a subspecies of clapper rail that inhabits freshwater marshes of the Lower Colorado and Gila Rivers. They have laterally compressed bodies which enable them to move deftly through their dense marsh habitat, where they probe the shallows and mud with their long bills for crustaceans, beetles, and small fish.

Nesting season begins with the establishment of pair bonds in March/April and nesting occurs in May/June. The nest is a platform of grass and reeds on the ground with a canopy of vegetation. The semi-precocial chicks leave the nest after one to three days. They are fed by their parents bill to bill for a few days, but soon begin to forage under parental supervision. Yuma clapper rails are listed as federally endangered. Loss of marsh habitat to large scale dams, water diversion, and channelization on the Lower Colorado and Gila Rivers has been the primary cause of population decline. Habitat restoration projects, such as the B & M Wildlife Area, have enabled Yuma clapper rails to re-colonize some of their historical range.

Water management regimes also affect habitat quality. Yuma clapper rails prefer regenerating marsh for foraging and mature cattail and bulrush stands for nesting. Marshes become less suitable as the build up of plant matter converts marsh to dry land, and rail populations decline when marshes become too dense. Prescribed fire may help to mimic the disturbance previously caused by spring floods, and the Fish and Wildlife Service and others are studying the use of fire to create early-successional marsh and regenerate habitat.

The effect of climate change on the Colorado River has implications for the sustainability of human habitat as well as Yuma clapper rail habitat. Control and diversion of this great river has enabled humanity to establish huge population centers in the arid southwest, but in January 2008 a paper by scientists at the Scripps Institute of Oceanography predicted a 50% chance that Lakes Powell and Mead will be dry by 2021. Over-allocation of water and reduced run-off due to climate change are issues that need to be addressed for the long-term viability of the Lower Colorado River and those who depend on it, from Yuma Clapper Rails to humans.



Yuma Clapper Rail—Photo by Earl Robinson—www.birdfotos.com

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Biographies of the Nominees for Officers and Directors of the Sonoran Audubon Society

- George Wall (for President): This will be George's first time taking on the job of president after several years of being on the Board of Directors. George has been an Audubon member for 12 years and "got into birding" after he retired. He's currently the editor of the Sonoran Audubon Newsletter and loves to write. He is also on the Membership Committee, the Trip Committee, Program Committee and Education Committee. He has worked on several IBAs and leads birding trips. Before retiring 15 years ago, he served 30 years in the Air Force and then 12 years as a manager in a computer company.
- Richard Schooler (for Director-at-Large): This will be Rich's second term as a Board Member. Rich retired from the engineering consulting business after a 35 year career. He has lived in Arizona for the past 27 years and has been an active birder for about 22 years. Rich had his first introduction to ornithology while an undergraduate some 37 years ago, but didn't get serious about birding until moving to Arizona. He joined the Maricopa Audubon Society in the mid-1980s and transferred his membership to Sonoran Audubon Society when the group was formed in the early-2000s. Rich is involved in the IBAs and is co-chair of the Education Committee and is on the Field Trip Committee.
- Tim Cullison (for Director-at-Large): This will be Tim's first term as a Board Member. He is a retired CPA, resident of Phoenix since 1974, member of Audubon for more than twenty years, became active in the chapter after retirement, will get more active after joining the Board, currently spending retirement doing community service involving kids: mentoring, tutoring, working on dropout prevention issues, with a special interest in educating kids about birds. He IS the Publicity Committee and is on the Education Committee.
- Dr. Jerry Theis (for Director-at-Large): This will be Jerry's first term as a Board Member. He is a native Minnesotan, moving here after receiving his B.A. Degree in Biology at St. Cloud State College. He attended graduate school at A.S.U., receiving his M.S. Degree in Microbiology. After a few years at Phoenix General Hospital, he transferred to Boswell Hospital in Sun City, directing the Microbiology labs for both Sun Cities hospitals for 27 yrs. He then pursued and received a Ph.D. in Health & Human Services from Columbia Commonwealth University. He is now employed at Banner Boswell Hospital as an Oncology Data Specialist, as well as a contract Research Assistant for the Sun Health Research institute in the Center for Healthy Aging. He also has served as a national science fair judge and laboratory inspector. His interests have allowed him to travel to nine foreign countries as a medical consultant for People to People International. He has been birding since childhood. After birding Arizona, then the U.S., he now concentrates mostly on South America, having birded parts of Ecuador, Peru, Chile, Argentina, Brazil, (and Venezuela in a few weeks). he also has birded Bulgaria, Costa Rica, Jamaica and the Dominican Republic. His favorite bird groups are Hummingbirds and Owls.
- Richard Fogle (for Director at Large): Richard has served on the board previously and after a break he has decided to run again. He is a relative old-timer with Audubon: 16 years total about half of that with Maricopa Audubon Society before transferring to Sonoran Audubon. Since being a member of our chapter, he has led birding trips, done IBA work, and volunteered for numerous things like the Tres Rios Nature Festival. He says he seriously got into birding after retirement. He was a District Manager for the Ford Motor Company, and as such traveled all over the world, but extensively in Latin America. Richard went the extra mile on his international travels taking the time to learn of the people and places where Ford sent him. With all the places he has been, the one thing he regrets is that he wasn't a bird-watcher at the time.
- Eleanor Campbell (for Director at Large): This will be Eleanor's second term on the Board. She has been an Audubon member for 25 years starting with New Jersey Audubon. She joined Maricopa Audubon 15 years ago and has been with Sonoran Audubon since its organizational meetings. She was Field Trip Committee chairperson and has been a member of the Committee since day one. Besides leading field trips she is a member of the Education Committee and has been instrumental in acquiring recent programs for the membership meetings. Her interest in birds began as a child on her farm in upstate New York and took her to Cornell University where she avidly studied ornithology and conservation education. She was a biology teacher and the Executive Director of a New Jersey Girl Scout Council. She's a proud contributor to the new building that is the home of Cornell Lab of Ornithology and is a longtime member of the Lab.
 - Darnell Kirksey (for Director at Large): Darnell has been a member of Sonoran Audubon Society since it was

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founded. For two years she helped develop programs for the membership meetings, and she is a member of the Education Committee. Darnell volunteers at the Hassayampa River Preserve where she regularly birds. Her love of birding began about 20 years ago after she bought an introduction to bird-watching trip at a service auction. She is a retired elementary school teacher.

Sonoran Audubon Society Ballot	
The Chapter bylaws require that an election ballot is to be included in the March newsletter. If the member is unable to attend the April meeting send this completed ballot to: Sonoran Audubon Society P. O. Box 8068 Glendale AZ, 85312-8068	
The following members are nominated to fill a two year term for the respective officer position: George Wall, President	
The following members are nominated to fill a two year term as a board member for Director at Large: Eleanor Campbell Rich Schooler Tim Cullison Dr. Jerry Theis Dick Fogle Darnell Kirksey	
Put a check mark in front of each officer and board member to indicate your approval. There is one opening for an officer and 6 openings for Director at Large.	
Non Sonoran Audubon members who receive this newsletter, please ignore this ballot.	
Your name and address	
This ballot is in accordance with the Bylaws of the Sonoran Audubon Society and should be made available to as many members as possible.	

TRES RIOS NATURE & EARTH FESTIVAL

Save Saturday-Sunday, March 7-8, 2009, for the Tres Rios Nature and Earth Festival. Everyone had a great time last year and this year should be no exception. Read all about the festival by going to http:///www.tresriosnaturefestival.com on the internet.

On the Nature Talks Stage, there will be programs running from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. each day.

There will also be hikes, bird watching tours, fishing clinics, canoe excursions, live birds and lots of entertainment including the Back Porch Bandits, a band that is based here in Phoenix.

To make this all happen timely and without any hitches, **volunteers are needed.** The Sonoran Audubon Society still needs volunteers to staff our booth and to lead short bird walks. Shifts are 9-12 and 12-4 both Saturday March 7th and Sunday March 8th. The Festival also needs many volunteers to cover parking, signage, etc. Please contact Bob McCormick 602-237-3951 or mcbobaz@aol.com if you would like to volunteer.

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EVENTS IN AND AROUND THE VALLEY Birders' Anonymous

Birders' Anonymous, a group of bird-watchers, has their next meeting on Friday, March 20, 2009, starting at 10 a.m. at the Church of the Palms on the corner of Boswell and 103rd Ave. in Sun City.

The program for this month will be presented by John Carr, President of the Hassayampa River Preserve. He will speak about the organization and plans for the future.

The next field trip of Birders' Anonymous will be on Wednesday, March 11, 2009, to Granite Reef Dam and area led by Dick Fogle.

For further information about Birders' Anonymous contact Marshall Esty at 623-977-1637 or at mne@juno.com

Rio Salado Habitat Restoration Project

There are no scheduled programs this month, but the area is always open for bird watching.

Desert Botanical Garden

Every Monday and the second Saturday of each month, there is a bird walk starting at 8:00 a.m.

Desert Botanical Garden entrance fees of \$15.00 (\$13.50 seniors) apply unless you're a DBG member. Membership is \$55 a year.

See their website at www.dbg.org for further information

Hassayampa River Preserve

There is a special birding program on Sunday, March 8, 8:30—10:30 a.m.—Birding for Kids with Kathe Anderson. There is another special program on Saturday, March 21, 8:30—10:30 a.m.—Birding by Ear with Andrée Tarby.

There is an Interpretive Nature Walk on Saturday, March 28, 2009, from 8:30-10 a.m. This is an easy walk along the trails to catch sight of migratory and resident birds as well as other wildlife.

For those into bird banding and want to help set up the nets, etc., the dates are Saturday, March 7, 2009. and Saturday, March 28, 2009, starting at 7:00 a.m. **However**, you must contact Anne Leight at ALeight@syntellect.com at least two days beforehand.

Entrance fees are \$5, TNC members \$3 and children 12 and under are free. For information call 928 684-2772 or e-mail www.bmccollum@tnc.org.

Boyce Thompson Arboretum

There will be guided bird walks March 7, 8, 21 and 22 from 8:30—11:00 a.m. led by Marceline Vandewater on the 7th; Cindy Marple on March 8th; Richard Ditch on March 21st; Kathe Anderson on March 22nd.

Boyce Thompson Arboretum is now in their winter schedule from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. except during special programs. Admission of \$7.50 for adults, \$3 ages 5-12.

For driving directions or other details, call 520-689-2811 or visit their internet website at http://arboretum.ag.arizona.edu/.

Festivals

Saturday-Sunday, March 7-8, 2009 Tres Rios Nature Festival

See the article on Page 7.

13th Annual San Diego Birding Festival—March 5-8, 2009, at the Marina Village.

The keynote speaker will be David Sibley. He will also lead a trip. http://www.sandiegoaudubon.org/birdfest.htm

Thursday-Sunday, March 12-15. 2009. Inaugural Wings and Wildlife Festival of Southern Nevada.

This event will be held in Laughlin, Nevada. See their website at www.SNBWTP.org.

Saturday, March 28, 2009, Glendale Green Festival at the Glendale Library/Xeriscape Demonstration Garden.

The Sonoran Audubon Society will have a table.

Saturday, April 11, 2009, Nature Fest at the Hassayampa River Preserve in Wickenburg.

The Sonoran Audubon Society will have a table.

Yuma Birding & Nature Festival April 15-19, 2009

Where the Colorado River meets the Sonoran Desert, there's a rare mix of habitats and wildlife watching opportunities. Festival features trips into Mexico, to Salton Sea in California, and more. We're on the Colorado River flyway, nearly 400 species of birds live or visit here each year.

Contact: Yuma Visitor's Bureau, 202 South First Avenue, Suite 202, Yuma, AZ 85364 800-293-0071

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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 only a percentage of the money goes to our chapter; however, you get the National Audubon Society Magazine. Some people choose to do both. See our website for the applicable forms.

New adult or family membership: \$20.00

Seniors and students: \$15.00

Renewal fee for seniors and students: \$15.00

All monthly issues of Gambel's Tales may be obtained free from the chapter website

<www.sonoranaudubon.org> or by mail for \$10.00 per year. If you wish to get the newsletter by mail or to be notified when a new issue is placed on the website, please contact chuckkan@mindspring.com or by mail to: Sonoran Audubon Society, P O Box 8068, Glendale, AZ 85312-8068.

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Calendar of Monthly Meetings...

Location: Auditorium, Glendale Public Library, 5959 West Brown Street (one block south of Peoria Ave. & 59th Ave. intersection) Time: 6:30 p.m. for socializing and 7 p.m. for the start of the meeting and program

March 11, 2009—Amy & Tim Leu: Feathered Hearts April 8, 2009—Tim Cullison—Kittlitz's Murrelet with Alaska Wildlife May 13, 2009—Speaker from the Arizona Riparian Council

Other Dates of Interest: March 4, 2009 7 p.m. Board Meeting at Glendale Library in small meeting room – all SAS members welcome.



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