



# THE PELICAN

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## Help Gather Signatures to Protect Critical Open Land

Please protect Utah's future by helping to gather 30,000 signatures by May 31! We have eight weeks to qualify Utah's first conservation initiative for the 2004 ballot.

Concerned citizens and organizations have launched a statewide ballot initiative in Utah to protect our natural treasures, such as clean water, critical lands, recreation areas, and family farms. In order to qualify this unprecedented measure for the 2004 ballot, volunteers must gather signatures from approximately 30,000 registered Utah voters by May 31, 2004.

If you are able to gather signatures or make a donation, please contact Jamie Gibbs, Utahns for Clean Water, Clean Air & Quality Growth, (801) 531-7304, [jgibbs@utahlands2004.org](mailto:jgibbs@utahlands2004.org). If you send an email or leave a voice mail message, please include all of your contact information and specify how you would like to help. We especially need people who can gather signatures at events with other volunteers.

Utahns For Clean Water, Clean Air & Quality Growth, [www.utahlands2004.org](http://www.utahlands2004.org), is a political issues committee organized under section 20A-11-801 of the State

Elections Law that has been formed to help place a \$150 million conservation bond on the 2004 ballot. Supporters of this organization include civic leaders, conservation organizations and concerned citizens like you.

Utah is changing fast. Our population is projected to grow by another one million people by 2020—so the

question isn't if we are going to grow, but how. Increasing growth will bring more development, traffic, pressures on our parklands and recreation areas, and threats to our clean air and clean water. Even now, critical lands are being converted to development every day.

If we do not act now, we risk losing the quality of

life that makes Utah such a great place to live. We also risk leaving our children and their children without clean water or clean air. The choices we make today are crucial.

If voters approve this measure, funds will be spent for statewide needs such as protecting: land around rivers, lakes and streams, sources of drinking water, wetlands and critical wildlife habitat, family farms and ranches, museums of natural history, historic and cultural landmarks, city, county and state parks trails, greenways and recreational facilities.

Utah's critical lands, our redrock canyons, mountain forests, and clear lakes and streams are the foundation of our quality of life. Now, more than ever, we must act to protect these treasures while we still have time.

In order to get this conservation bond on the ballot, Utahns for Clean Water, Clean Air & Quality Growth needs your help!

If you would like to help, please email Jamie Gibbs at [jgibbs@utahlands2004.org](mailto:jgibbs@utahlands2004.org). Volunteers are needed immediately to help collect signatures and volunteer at the campaign headquarters.



**Licensed for bird'n:** Chauncy Hall, June Ryburn, Bob Huntington identify waterfowl during GSLA's monthly visit beyond the barricades at Farmington Bay.

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NEWSLETTER OF GREAT SALT LAKE AUDUBON

*Mission Statement: Great Salt Lake Audubon is dedicated to protecting and enhancing habitat for wild plants and animals, particularly birds, and to maintaining healthy and diverse environments for wildlife and people throughout the state.*

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## Membership Meeting May 18

General membership meetings are held from September through May of each year. The doors to the Sugarhouse Garden Center, 1650 East 2100 South, open at 7 p.m. for socializing and a look at the sales table. Announcements begin at 7:30 p.m. and are immediately

followed by introductions of the featured speaker for the evening.



*Bill Gray, speaker*

On May 18, our speaker is Bill Gray, retired Biology Professor, U of U, who will speak about "The Ultimate Wildflower Guide?" Four years ago Bill gave GSLA a preview of a wildflower CD guide he was developing about our local plants. This was 'finished' last year, and was followed by one on Penstemons from all over North America. He will use

these to talk about our local plants.

Plants are much harder than birds for the would-be naturalist – although they don't move around, their "field marks" are often microscopic. And there are many more plant species in Salt Lake County than there are bird species in the whole of the US! A CD allows one to tie huge amounts of information with lots of photos, and to move back and forth easily. About 2600 photographs, all taken by Bill, are in the Wasatch CD. Programs are for both novice and expert.

Hiking is the best way to get to really learn about our plants. Bill will lead a wildflower hike on Saturday morning, May 22, in the foothills or City Creek – details after May 15th (phone Bill at 532-3486 or e-mail [cyberflora@xmission.com](mailto:cyberflora@xmission.com)).

## President's Column

*By Nathan Darnall, President*

Spring is finally here, and the birds are returning from their southern homes to once again grace our skies. Within this issue of the Pelican, you'll find plenty of opportunities to enjoy the wonderful sights and sounds of birds with fellow birders, and I hope you'll take advantage of one or two of these field trips. And if you have a chance to attend Basin & Range, I strongly encourage you to do so: it's a weekend that you'll find to be fun, entertaining, and educational.

While many species of birds are just returning to Utah, the thoughts of many of our school children will be on the upcoming summer break. Great Salt Lake

Audubon is also thinking ahead, but to the next school year and to the prospect of providing environmental education materials to classrooms across the Salt Lake Valley. Last year, Great Salt Lake Audubon provided Audubon Adventures kits to nearly 125 classrooms, and we hope to do even more this year. We are able to supply these kits to teachers free of charge thanks to the generosity of individuals such as you and from the generous support of foundations.

Audubon Adventures is an award-winning education program that connects children to nature. Developed by professional environmental educators for children in grades 3 to 6, Audubon Adventures presents basic, scientifically accurate facts about birds, wildlife, and their habitats. “The goal of Audubon Adventures is to develop in young people an appreciation, awareness, and understanding of the natural world — birds, other wildlife, and all living things; the habitats, systems, and interplay of forces that affect living things; and the connections between people and nature. Such an awareness of nature creates in young people (and their teachers and families) a sense of stewardship for the natural world.”

We believe this is an excellent and worthwhile program, and as we plan for the next school year, we would love to put Audubon Adventures into the hands of as many teachers as possible. With your help, I know we can! Your tax-deductible donation of \$41.50 would provide a classroom with enough materials to serve 32 students, though any dollar amount would be appreciated. If you would like your donation to go towards Audubon Adventures, please make note of this on your check.

In addition to classroom learning, children can learn about nature in, well...nature. During this summer, consider taking your children birding, hike a river trail, or perhaps visit a nature center, the Hogle Zoo, or the Tracy Aviary. There are plenty of outdoor activities for children, and GSLA hopes to offer a greater diversity of organized activities later this summer.

Speaking of outdoor activities, we are blessed to live in a state that offers so many outdoor treasures. Unfortunately, development and urban sprawl can threaten these treasures. Concerned citizens and organizations have launched a statewide ballot initiative in



*Nathan Darnall, President*

Utah to protect our natural treasures, such as clean water, critical lands, recreation areas, and family farms. Great Salt Lake Audubon supports this ballot initiative, and we encourage you to visit our website to learn how you can become involved. And please don't forget that as we strive to protect our water and critical lands, we will protect the habitats needed by migrating birds. Yes, spring is here...get out and enjoy it.

## May and June Field Trips: Times, Places and Leaders

Field trips are planned well in advance. Occasionally we have to cancel a trip or change a time or location. We recommend you confirm details with each trip leader. Beginning birders are always welcome on Audubon field trips.

### **Saturday, May 1, 8:30 am until noon**

#### **Field trip for the Beginner Birder Class**

**Instructor: Hugh Gillilan** (see details in the March/April issue)  
Please pre-register by calling Deedee at 272-8060 or by mailing your check of \$5/GSLA member; \$10/nonmember to: GSLA Birding Class; c/o Deedee O'Brien; 4527 S. 2995 E.; Holladay, UT 84117.

### **Saturday, May 1, 8:00am**

#### **Yellow Fork Canyon, Oquirrh Mountains**

##### **Leader: June Ryburn**

This is a less frequented canyon with a chance to see spring migrants. Meet at the *new* REI at the South Towne Mall (230 West, 106th South) situated in the northwest corner at 8:00am. Call June (801-576-0103) for more information or if you plan to attend.

### **Wednesday, May 5, 7:30am**

#### **Mountain Dell Recreation Area, Parley's Canyon**

##### **Leaders: Jack Clark and Sylvia Gray**

This is our new bird survey area (see related article). This is a large area so we'll need your help. Golf carts provided! We'll meet at 7:30 am in the SouthEast corner of the Shopko Parking lot in Sugarhouse for a morning of birding. Call Jack (255-7989) or Sylvia (532-3486) if you plan to attend.

### **May 14 - 22**

#### **Great Salt Lake Bird Festival**

There are many opportunities for birding - see details at [www.greatsaltlakebirdfest.com](http://www.greatsaltlakebirdfest.com) or call 801-451-3286.

### **Saturday, May 22, 9am**

#### **Wildflower Walk, Foothills or City Creek Canyon**

##### **Leader: Bill Gray**

This walk will be a follow-up to Bill's presentation at the monthly membership meeting on May 18 (see separate article). Bring a hand lens if you have one. It's also OK to bring binoculars! Meeting place to be determined depending on the best floral display, so come to the meeting to find out details or contact Bill (532-3486, or email [cyberflora@xmission.com](mailto:cyberflora@xmission.com)).

**Wednesday, May 26, 7:30am**

**Farmington Bay And Nearby Areas**

**Leaders: Hugh Gillilan and Bob Huntington**

This is our monthly half-day visit to Farmington Bay. Meet at McDonald's just north of the Centerville exit off I-15 at 8:00 am (or inside at 7:30 am for breakfast). Call Deedee at (801-272-8060) if you plan to attend.

**Friday, May 28, 7:30am**

**Canyon Walks - Pincrest** (accessed from Emigration Canyon)

**Leader: Deedee O'Brien**

This hike follows an old mining railroad grade as it hugs the slope in and out of canyons. Bird sightings can be wonderful or sparse, but should be good as the migrants return. We hope to see Lazuli Buntings, Green-tailed Towhees, MacGilvray's Warblers, Broad-tailed Hummingbirds showing off their courtship display. Regardless of what birds are in, the views will be spectacular and the wildflowers in bloom. Join us! Meet at the eastern end of the parking lot at Ruth's Diner, 4 miles up Emigration Canyon at 7:30 am. Call Deedee at 272-8060 if you plan to attend.

**Wednesday, June 2, 7:00am**

**Mountain Dell Recreation Area, Parley's Canyon**

**Leaders: Jack Clark and Sylvia Gray**

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**Saturday, June 5, 8am**

**Bluebird Nesting Boxes In Strawberry Valley**

**Leaders: Jeanne Le Ber and Ray Smith**

Please join us. We will meet at 8 am at the Sugarhouse Garden Center or 9:15 am at the Strawberry Valley Visitor Center. The morning will be spent checking the boxes and recording the species using each box, and if there are eggs or young birds. After our work we will gather for lunch. Please bring your own sandwich; GSLA will provide cold drinks. Call Jeanne at 801-532-7384 if you have questions.

**Saturday, June 5 - Sunday, June 6**

**Basin and Range**

**Leader: Keith Johnson**

Many opportunities for birding - see separate flyer included with the newsletter.

**Saturday June 12, 7am**

**Mormon Trail**

**Leader: Kathy Coleman**

We will take a half-day morning hike up the Mormon Trail, starting on the road between Jeremy Ranch and East Canyon and returning the same route. Meet at 7 am in the SE corner of the Shopko parking lot in Sugarhouse. Call Kathy at 801-944-5773 with any questions or if you plan to attend.

**Wednesday, June 16**

**Hotspots**

**Leader: TBA**

You just never know what we might find so call Sylvia (801-532-3486) for details of meeting place and time.

**Saturday, June 19**

**Canyon Walks - City Creek**

**Leader: Mike Schantz**

Meet in the parking lot by the gate at 7:30 am for a morning stroll in the canyon. It's always nice in City Creek. Call Mike for more information (537-1180).

**Follow the River**

GSLA will begin a new series of three field trips this summer to see what birds utilize the Provo River at different elevations and locations. These field trips will be on Saturdays, will last 4-5 hours, and will involve moderate hiking. Please join us! Meet in SE corner of Shopko parking lot in Sugarhouse (behind Red Lobster)- 1300 E and I-80 at 7 am. We'll carpool from there. Call Deedee (272-8060) for details.

**Saturday, June 26**

The Provo River originates in the Uinta Mountains, so where else could we begin? We hope to find Williamson's Sapsuckers and Three-toed Woodpeckers nesting, as well as see flycatchers and warblers among others. We also plan to follow the river at Rock Cliff State Park before heading home.

**Saturday, July 17**

The Provo River at the base of the Jordanelle Dam and another stretch further along in Heber.

**Saturday, August 14**

Provo Canyon to Utah Lake.

**Wednesday, June 30, 7:30am**

**Farmington Bay And Nearby Areas**

**Leaders: Hugh Gillilan and Bob Huntington**

This is our monthly half-day visit to Farmington Bay. Meet at the McDonald's just north of the Centerville exit off I-15 at 8:00 am (or inside at 7:30am for breakfast). Call Deedee O'Brien at (801-272-8060) if you plan to attend.

## Ouray Refuge Open House

*By Diane Penttila, Refuge Biologist*

The Ouray National Wildlife Refuge Open House is on International Migratory Bird Day on May 8 from 7:30 am to 1:00 pm. Come see our new Visitor Center Displays, get a free International Migratory Bird Day poster, and spend some time on this special gem of a National Wildlife Refuge. Directions: East on Hwy 40, 14 miles past Roosevelt. Turn right on Hwy 88. Travel south for 14 miles to Refuge entrance.

We will have several activities such as, building a House Wren BirdHouse. Each family can build a house to take home. Also watch a Mist Netting Demonstration. Or learn about trout stocking from the Jones Hole National Fish Hatchery. Opportunities exist to watch waterfowl and waterbird with a guide using spotting scopes and binoculars set-up in a good location for viewing. HawkWatch International will also have live birds and will be giving presentations.

For more information call (435) 545-2522 Monday through Friday 7:30 am to 4:00 p.m.

## Great Bear River Bird Festival

*By Betsy Beneke*

Bear River National Wildlife Refuge is having a festival on Saturday, May 22, 2004. Activities will be coordinated from Pioneer Park, 800 West Forest Street, Brigham City.

Start the day at 7:30 am with a guided birding tour behind the gates. At 9 am, Utah naturalist and photographer, Jim McIntyre, will teach a photography workshop. The Tracy Aviary and HawkWatch International staff will show live birds. You can bicycle the refuge with Al Trout, Refuge Manager, or learn how to rough it in the woods with Dian Thomas. Join us for the whole day's events!

For more information, watch your local newspapers prior to the event, or contact the Betsy Beneke, (435) 723-5887 ext. 16 or [bearriver@fws.gov](mailto:bearriver@fws.gov) to receive a copy of the event schedule.

## Strawberry Bluebird Box Event

*By Jeanne Le Ber*

Audubon members and interested helpers are needed for inspection of bluebird boxes on Saturday, June 5. Meet at 8:00 a.m. at the Sugarhouse Garden Center or at 9:30 a.m. at the Strawberry Valley Visitor Center. We will spend the morning looking in the boxes, seeing what species is using the box and filling in the data sheets as we go.

The group will have lunch on private property owned by Jayne Guyse, which is just down the road from the Bluebird Box Trail. A grill will be available, so bring sandwiches or something to grill, and GSLA will provide the drinks. For more information contact Ray Smith or Jeanne Le Ber at 801-532-7384.

## So Why Would You Want to Survey a Golf Course?

*By Sylvia Gray*

Mark Ruff, the superintendent of Mountain Dell Recreation Area, in Parley's Canyon, has asked for our help. He and his staff are working to implement environmentally sensitive management practices for the two golf courses located within the recreation area. Historically golf courses have been viewed by many as places where water is wasted and pesticides and fertilizers have been over-used.

Audubon International (a separate organization from National Audubon) is trying to change that. Their Cooperative Sanctuary Program "is designed to educate people about environmental stewardship and motivate them to actions that will enhance and protect wildlife and their habitats as well as conserve natural resources." Mountain Dell is working to gain recognition from the Cooperative Sanctuary Program. As part of the process the wildlife that uses the area needs to be documented, and that's where we come in.

Jack Clark and I met with Mark Ruff. His desire and determination to change things for the better impressed us. Mountain Dell contains 350 acres. Travelling around by golf cart (really!) we noted that there is much more to this area than just two golf courses. Mountain Dell Reservoir immediately abuts the westernmost area providing great habitat for water birds, the creek from Lamb's Canyon flows through the area providing a riparian habitat, and Washington Park with its many trees provide good habitat for songbirds. So this is a surprisingly diverse area.

We have agreed to survey the area once a month for the next year. Our trips will usually be on the first Wednesday of each month although other times can also be arranged. It's a big area. We'd love your help. Mark your calendar for May 5 and give us a call. Details in Field Trip section.

## Breeding Bird Atlas Project Begins Mapping in Utah

*By Robin Tuck*

The Utah Ornithological Society and the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, Partners in Flight program announced the Utah Breeding Bird Atlas (Utah BBA) Project beginning in spring 2004.

A Breeding Bird Atlas is a book of maps showing the distribution of birds that breed and rear young, by species. Breeding Bird Atlas projects started in the mid 70's in the Atlantic coast states, where the states are small and the birders plentiful. The worth of the projects quickly became evident and the BBA trend moved across the United States and into other countries. Today only a few states have not done a BBA project, leaving Utah as one of the last; indeed, many states have completed or are now involved in their second BBA project.

The purpose of the Utah BBA project is to discover the breeding birds and their distribution within Utah to provide an understanding of their current condition and establish a baseline for future breeding bird preservation efforts.

Utah has a large diversity of birds visiting many

important areas of the state. Some of these areas have been studied extensively, but the state as a whole has not been the subject of an extensive scientific study. This is the goal of the Utah BBA Project.

Following the model of other states, over 700 3-mile by 3-mile survey squares have been selected across the state. Each of these squares will be surveyed during a breeding season to determine which birds breed there. It is expected to take 5 years to survey the entire state, after which an Atlas book summarizing the sighting data will be published.

Qualified birders are needed to participate by volunteering to survey one or more squares each year. Details of the Utah BBA project and directions for volunteering can be found at <http://www.utahnature.com/utahnature/utahbba.php>.

## Sage Grouse and Sage Steppe Habitat Update

*By Debbie Goodman, Audubon Council Lobbyist*

On March 24, Utah Audubon Council participated in a Greater Sage Grouse Forum sponsored by BLM. The meeting was led by BLM Director Kathleen Clarke and Utah BLM Director Sally Wisely, and included representatives from a host of federal and state agencies such as USFWS, USFS, NRCS, senate and congressional staff, governor's office, DNR, DWR, Farm Bureau, county commissioners, and conservation groups.

Director Clarke is visiting all western states to understand their efforts and positions regarding sage grouse conservation. Seven petitions for listing (under the Endangered Species Act) have been filed with the USFWS for the greater sage grouse in recent years, and over half of sage grouse habitat is managed by BLM. BLM is therefore undertaking a collaborative effort in 11 western states to conserve the species and preclude listing.

Greater sage grouse populations have declined over 90% in the last century and over 30% since 1985. A total population of around 150,000 remains, and the species is increasingly threatened by habitat fragmentation and degradation.

One factor the USFWS takes into account in its petition review process is ongoing conservation efforts that would remove or eliminate threats to the greater sage grouse. Each of the 11 affected states is in a different stage of developing and implementing a greater sage grouse conservation plan.

Utah's effort is well underway as part of the Sagebrush Steppe Habitat Initiative undertaken by DWR Director Kevin Conway for the last two years. Utah's

plan is habitat-based (as opposed to focused on sage grouse alone), and intended to benefit the full range of sagebrush species including Gunnison sage grouse, sharp-tailed grouse, ferruginous hawk, burrowing owl, and pygmy rabbit.

Utah's plan is directed at ecological recovery of rangeland vegetation, and will address the challenges of invasive species, pinyon-juniper encroachment, decadent sagebrush systems, lack of herbaceous understories, grazing management, and catastrophic wildfires. An interagency working group, Utah Partners for Conservation and Development, has been formed to pool resources and work together on sagebrush ecosystem recovery.

The group consists primarily of state and federal agency representatives, but their joint resolution document emphasizes that they will work with local agencies, communities, livestock operators, private landowners, non-governmental organizations, and tribal governments. To this end, nine of eleven local working groups around the state have already been established.

Audubon Chapters or interested members would be welcome to participate in various ways, including by participating in habitat restoration projects or assisting with bird counts. For more information, contact Rory Reynolds of Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, 435-691-1362 or [Rory.Reynolds@utah.gov](mailto:Rory.Reynolds@utah.gov).

## Utah Ornithological Society Update from President

*By Merrill Webb, UOS President*

The Utah Ornithological Society (UOS) is sponsoring a fall conference September 10-12, 2004 in Cedar City, Utah. Dr. Kate Grandison of Southern Utah University has agreed to host this event for the UOS and will be helping to organize fieldtrips to surrounding areas and arranging meeting places on or near campus. This conference will provide birders from across the state a chance to mingle with each other, exchange bird sightings, and learn from guest lecturers. It will be nice to put a face to the birders who have submitted sightings to the bird net. So please mark this date on your calendar and make an effort to attend at least one day or more.

A journal of the UOS will also be published and members will be receiving this at least twice a year. Informative articles about birding as well as records of birds approved by the records committee will be included in the journal.

Plans are to provide meaningful fieldtrips to various parts of the state and to have representatives from each

of the birding clubs/Audubon chapters co-host these trips. Spontaneous trips to observe rare birds would also be organized by the fieldtrip chairman with cooperation from organizations or individual birders to help locate the bird.

An official 2004 checklist to the birds of Utah has been updated and completed by four members of the records committee and can be obtained from government agencies and local bird organizations. More information about this checklist can be found at the [utahbirds.org](http://utahbirds.org) website.

An effort is being made by the UOS to coordinate with the Utah State Division of Wildlife Resources in gathering data for a Breeding Bird Atlas. Competent observers are needed to help in gathering data about the status of nesting birds across this state. Many states have completed this Atlas and Utah needs to begin this year. Interested birders should contact Robin Tuck at [utahnature.org](http://utahnature.org) website to obtain more information.

## Sixth Annual Great Salt Lake Bird Festival On Track

*By Neka Roundy*

There is a lot of excitement for this year's 6th Annual Great Salt Lake Bird Festival. This annual event spotlights the birds of Great Salt Lake and the surrounding areas. The Festival features bus/van/car/boat tours to birding areas, workshops with expert speakers, artists, displays, booths and food. The annual Festival dinner will be Dutch oven this year and the keynote speaker is John Acorn, "The Nature Nut" of Canadian Discovery Channel, Animal Planet and National Geographic. This is his first speaking trip to Utah so we are really excited to have him associated with Great Salt Lake Bird Festival. He will also have programs for students, their parents, and a Nature Walk to the Great Salt Lake Shorelands Preserve.

Field trips are offered every day of the Festival. The booths and workshops will be at the Davis County FairPark on Friday, May 14th from 12 noon to 6 p.m. and on Saturday, May 15th from 10 am to 6 p.m.

For a complete schedule, call Davis County Tourism at 801-451-3286, or see the website [www.greatsaltlakebirdfest.com](http://www.greatsaltlakebirdfest.com).

## Layton Wild Bird Center Walks

*By Bill Fenimore*

Join us for free nature/bird walks observing birds, mammals, wildflowers, butterflies and other natural elements. The walk is often a 'ride' in the car, which

makes a great blind. When we do walk, areas are normally wheel chair accessible and a low degree of difficulty. We meet at the Wild Bird Center between 7:30 and 7:45 a.m. and depart the store at 8 a.m., unless otherwise posted. Dress for the weather and bring binoculars (loaners are available).

Bring the whole family. It's a great way to introduce children to nature. Call 801-525-8400. The Wild Bird Center is located at the Layton Market Center, exit 335 off I-15 (across from Barnes & Noble), 1860 North 1000 West, Layton.

Upcoming birdwalks include Riverdale Parkway on May 1, Nature Conservancy Great Shoreline Preserve on May 8, Great Salt Lake Bird Festival, Farmington Fairgrounds on May 15, Bear River Bird Festival Pioneer Park, Brigham City at 3 p.m. on May 22, North Arm Pineview Reservoir on May 29, La Plata with a 7 am departure on June 5 and June 19, and a Bat seminar at 8 p.m. on June 26 and July 2.

## Automated E-mail Notices for Chapter Events

*By Jean H. Hengesbaugh*

Great Salt Lake Audubon has set-up an e-mail system that automatically sends out e-mail notices to members for events or opportunities within our chapter. The e-mail notices are sent out 7 days prior to each event so that members can make a note in their personal calendars and then hopefully participate in several events each week.

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## Salt Lake Birders Field Trips

For questions on Salt Lake Birders field trips call Pomera Fronce at 801- 272-2755 or Steve Sommerfeld at 801-261-4270.

## Welcome to Members

New Members Joining GSLA via membership in National Audubon Society:

Hiram Ames, Carmen Aminski, Nayra Atiya, Donald Atkinson, Cathy Baxter, Heather Bodgen, Bruce Cohne, Marybell Coon, Maria Dickerson, Jennifer Evans, Shelley Gallacher, Linda Giles, Dr John



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Rosie Jones – Oakwood Elem, Joan Kindgon - Twin Oaks Elem, Richard Kirchner – Vista Elem, Brenda Lacheminant – Granger Elem, Beverly Larson – Riley Elem, Linda Larson – Indian Hills Elem, Kari Lettow – Christ Lutheran, Sandra McDonald – McGillis Elem, Lynne McKenna – Granger Community Sch, Connie McCann – Western Hills Elem, Myra Millward – William Penn Elem, Valene Ottoson – Oakwood Elem, Letty Priest – Magna Elem, Staci Pugmire – Rose Park Elem, Linda Smith – Howard R Driggs Elem, Sandi South – Oakwood Elem, Mary Thurber – John C Fremont Elem, Lorraine Vreeken – Woodrow Wilson Elem, Carolyn Wardle – Parkview Elem, Kaye Warnke – Altara Elem, Kim Wilson – Hillside Elem, Jill Zane – Dillworth Elem

### New or Renewing Members Joining GSLA Directly at Local Chapter Level:

Lester Aoki/Ann Kelsey, Alexander Baugh, Joel & Kathy Beyer, Dorothy Foster, Taz Harrington, IHI Environmental, Alice Lund, Maxine Martz, Kay Millar, Jim & Susan Oglvie, Dr Barry Quinn, Rob Roemer, Andy & Leslie White, Sylvia Wilcox