

# Fripp Audubon Calendar



January-May 2012

January 18	Wed.	<u>Savannah Wildlife Refuge</u> Established April 6, 1927, Savannah NWR consists of over 29,000 acres of freshwater marshes, tidal rivers and creeks and bottomland hardwoods. We hope to see ring-necked, teal, pintails, and other species of ducks that migrate into the area, joining resident wood ducks on the refuge. <a href="http://www.fws.gov/savannah">http://www.fws.gov/savannah</a>	<u>Field Trip</u>
January 26	Thurs.	<u>SC Audubon State Director Norman Brunswig</u> will be talking about National Audubon's brand new strategic plan, which is focused tightly on the protection and management of threatened birds and their habitats. Using Beidler Forest and its programs, Norman will describe how Audubon, South Carolina, will align its work with the plan.	<u>Program</u>
February	17--20	<u>Great Backyard Bird Count-GBBC (on line)</u> <i>15th annual count takes place Feb. 17-20, 2012 (on line) <a href="http://www.birdcount.org/">http://www.birdcount.org/</a></i>	<u>Birding Event</u>
February	15 Wed	<u>Donnelley Bear Island WMA</u> A birding tour of old rice fields, salt marsh, freshwater marshes, swamp, river, mudflats, mixed pine/hardwood forests and farmland.	<u>Field Trip</u>
February	23 Thur	<u>Dr. Emil K. Urban is Fuller E. Callaway Professor</u> Emeritus and Chair Emeritus of Biology at Augusta State University. He will present an overview of past and present research, conservation and education activities on St. Catherines Island, one of Georgia's Golden Barrier Islands. He spent many years in Ethiopia as Professor of Biology at Addis Ababa University and	<u>Program</u>

was one of the three senior editors of 'The Birds of Africa', 7 volumes, 1982-2005, the principal reference on African birds.'

March 22 Thur.

The Port Royal Sound and the critical role it plays Program  
for Beaufort and the Lowcountry will be the presentation by Dr. Chris Marsh, the leading expert on the ecology, importance and threats to this unique and vital natural resource.

April 26 Thur.

Dr. Al Segars DVM, Department of Natural Resources. Program  
Horseshoe Crabs, Red Knots and You! Learn about the amazing connections between these primitive animals, ecosystem and human health.