

# The Warbler



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*Points of interest:*

- We are planning an exciting year of programs, activities, and events for 2003-2004!
- More accessible BCAS meeting place at South Plantation High School!
- The Warbler is available online at [browardaudubon.org](http://browardaudubon.org)

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## President's Letter by Barry N. Heimlich

Dear Broward Audubon Member:

I hope you had an enjoyable summer. Your board of directors has been busy all summer planning an exciting year for 2003-2004. With new leadership and a new focus on reinvigorating our chapter, we are planning an enhanced schedule of programs, activities, and events. Our most ambitious undertaking is the first annual Everglades BirdFest in January, 2004.

**In order to have a more accessible meeting place, we are relocating to South Plantation High School (SPHS).** Centrally located in Plantation near I-595 between US441 and University Drive, we will be using the high school's media room. SPHS is the site of the county's magnet study program for Environmental Studies and the Everglades. We look forward to working synergistically with the teachers and students of this unique program.

We are planning an outstanding program of speakers and activities. Ten meetings are planned through May with speakers on birding techniques, migration, community outreach, endangered species, butterflies, and sea turtles. The programs are coordinated with our field trips. In addition to some of our favorite hot spots like Loxahatchee, Birch SP, the Everglades, and Corkscrew Swamp, we are planning trips to Jonathan Dickerson SP and Fort DeSoto. **(President's Letter Continued On Page 2).**



### **2003-2004 Meeting Schedule (mark your calendars!!)**

September 18, 2003	Paddy Cunningham—Intro to Birdwatching
October 16, 2003	Casey Lott—Hawk Migration
November 20, 2003	Peter Thayer—Virtual Birding on the Web
December 11, 2003	Speaker TBA—African-American Outreach
January 15, 2004	Speaker TBA—Everglades
February 19, 2004	Speaker TBA—Wood Storks
March 18, 2004	Audubon of Florida President
April 15, 2004	Barbara Zias—Nesting Least Terns
May 20, 2004	Jacqui Sulek—Butterflies



# The Audubon Assembly 2003: October 24-25

## Don't Forget To Save The Date!!!

### For: The Audubon Assembly 2003:

**Dates:** Thursday, 10/23/03: Exhibit set-up. Friday, 10/24/03: Assembly opens with buffet breakfast. Saturday, 10/25/03: Assembly concludes at 3 PM after closing remarks.

**Location:** The Rosen Plaza Hotel, Orlando

Come join us again this year and bring a friend! Our annual Audubon Assembly is the largest gathering of conservation-minded citizens in the State gathering together chapter members and leaders, wildlife professionals, environmental advocates, scientists, poli-

ticians, agencies, students and other citizens of Florida concerned with our environment. Our program will offer field trips within the Central Florida Region, expert speakers, education seminars and plenary sessions, which will set forth our work plan for the upcoming year. Please join the Audubon family and others to celebrate our "Culture of Conservation." Look for additional information on registration and upcoming events via the summer edition of The Naturalist or website: [www.audubonofflorida.org](http://www.audubonofflorida.org). Contact: Katie Gill, Audubon of Florida, 407-539-5700 (phone), 407-539-5701 (fax).



We look forward to seeing you October 24-25 in Orlando! Don't forget to save the date for Audubon Assembly 2003!

## Sept. 20th Birding Trip: Birch State Park

The BCAS monthly birding trip scheduled for September, 2003 will take place on Saturday, September 20th at Birch State Park, Ft. Lauderdale. We will meet at 8 a.m. at the Beach Parking Lot to start our bird walk and continue our walk until 10 a.m.

After our 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. bird walk, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., expert birder Paddy Cunningham Pascatore will offer Tips for Birding ID. You will have the opportunity to learn the bird watching tips you'll need to become better birders taught in a fun way! Through her expert instruction, you will gain knowledge and increase your identification ability. You will learn the essential tools needed for better birding: expert tips, field technique, family i.d., sil-

houette, field marks, behavior, and habitat. This course covers Jim Cox's Bird Watching Basics as a text and includes many handouts. It includes short bird hikes.

**Equipment:** Binoculars and bird field guide required. Some are available for loan during class. **Cost:** \$25 all day includes donation to BCAS, expert instruction, all handouts, bird walks, coffee, and donuts. Small fee to enter park. \$5 donation to BCAS for the 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. bird walk only. Brown bag lunch.

**If you plan on attending Tips for Birding and for questions, contact Fred Griffin, 954-587-8008, email [aeg1933@aol.com](mailto:aeg1933@aol.com), or call Paddy Cunningham at 954-791-1030.**

*Join us for our  
September 20, 2003  
field trip to Birch State  
Park, Ft. Lauderdale!!  
8 am to 10 am bird  
walk, and after this  
walk until 5 pm, Paddy  
Cunningham Pascatore  
offers Tips for Birding!!  
Don't miss this trip!!*

## This season's birding trips: Mark your calendar

The birding field trips are designed for the novice as well as the experienced birder. Suggested donation to BCAS is \$5 per person. Children under 6th grade accompanied by adults are free. For more information, please call Fred Griffin at 954-587-8008, 954-962-9840 or email [aeg1933@aol.com](mailto:aeg1933@aol.com).

**September 20 Birch State Park, Ft. Lauderdale.** Meet 8 am -See advertisement above.

**October 4 John U. Lloyd State Park, Dania.**

**October 18/19 Buteos on the Beach, Marathon area.**

Look for more trips scheduled for 2003-2004 in future editions of The Warbler.



Come see the fabulous birds of Florida with an experienced birder!!

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Directions: From US441 or University Drive: Take Peters Road east to South Plantation High School on the right.

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### September 18, 2003 Meeting

7:00 PM - Refreshments

7:30 - 9:00 PM - Program

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### **South Plantation High School September 18 Guest Speaker:**

## **Paddy Cunningham**

Come see an exciting and informative presentation by Paddy Cunningham Pascatore, expert birder, teacher, and Parks Naturalist, from Secret Woods Nature Center. Join us in September at South Plantation High School for her outstanding presentation providing an Introduction to Birdwatching!!

Arrive early and get a good seat!!

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