SANP APRIL 2009 NEWSLETTER

APRIL MONTHLY MEETING

Date: Tuesday, April 28, 2009

Time: Social time 6:30pm/Meeting 7:00pm

Location: Goins Auditorium, Pellissippi State Technical Community College

Our presenters this month are Jim Ford, Jim Ross, and Steve Crutchfield from the Photographic Society of East Tennessee in Morristown. Their program is "Birds of Bird Island". This will be a very interesting program highlighting a unique area in East Tennessee that most of us have never seen. The following is an overview of the program:

Located on Cherokee Lake is an island rookery known to the locals as "Bird Island". It is home each spring for the mating and nesting of Great Blue Heron, Great White Egrets, Cormorants, Black Cap Night Herons and various other birds and ducks that use the East Tennessee corridor as their skyway North and South. Bird Island is an L shaped island about 300 feet long and 100 ft. wide and is located in TVA protected waters.

The program will be a discussion of the preparation and photographing (over 15,000 images) over a 12-week period of the maturing of the various bird families as the chicks get ready to take wing and learn to fish. For many photographers it is virtually impossible to access wild birds that are by nature reclusive and shy in such a way that allows photographs of their nest building and rearing except in such high-density populations. A rookery surrounded by water protects the birds from ground predators and provides a base from which the next generations or graceful flyers can launch into the skies of East Tennessee.

Discussion will include precautions that were taken to prevent disruption of the nesting

and the precaution taken to prevent exposure to histoplasmosis from the accumulated bird droppings. Observations on behavior and communal living between hundreds of nesting pairs living in such close proximity will be discussed.

<u>BIOS</u>

Jim Ford is a retired professor of physics and mathematics from Walters State Community College. He is a 30-year veteran of underwater photography and a scuba instructor. He and his wife, Ann, are also members of SANP.

Jim Ross is a former fire chief from Cincinnati, OH who retired to East Tennessee. He has been an active photographer for 56 years.

Steve Crutchfield is a developer and manager of properties in East Tennessee, and has been a photographer since his teenage years.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Membership Dues for 2009-2010 are due by May 26. You can renew your membership at either the April 28 or May 26 meetings, or by mail. A membership form is attached at the end of this newsletter or can be downloaded from the SANP website (www.sanp.net).

CLASSIFIEDS

Chuck Cole has the following for sale:

- -Bogen 3221 black tripod legs in excellent condition, \$125.00.
- -Bogen 3275 410 Mini Geared Head with 2 Bogen quick release plates and one Arca Swiss mount adapter, \$125.00.

If interested contact him at 865-693-0232.

Wanted: Fujichrome Velvia, Velvia 50, Velvia 100, Velvia 100F, Ektachrome E100VS, and Fujichrome Processing Mailers. If you have switched to digital and have any of these items that you are no longer need, contact Kendall Chiles at 865-363-1525 or kchiles@knology.net. Looking for 35mm ONLY and ONLY the films listed.

ACADIA NP WORKSHOP

Don McGowan and Kendall Chiles are leading a nature photography workshop in Acadia National Park, ME from October 11-15, 2009. Scheduled to coincide with the fall color season along the Maine coast, this workshop will be a hands-on, field workshop with minimal classroom instruction. The workshop will be based out of Bar Harbor, ME. Price is \$995, which does NOT include lodging or meals. Minimum of 5 participants with a maximum of 8. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Kendall at 865-363-1525 or kchiles@knology.net, or Don at 828-235-0974 or don@earthsongphotography.com.

FUTURE MEETINGS

May 26, 2009

August 25, 2009 Don McGowan

REMEMBER, NO MONTHLY MEETINGS IN JUNE & JULY!

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2009
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Larry Perry
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<u>2010</u>
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<u>2011</u>
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Mike Naney

Southern Appalachian Nature Photographers Membership Form Due May 1, 2009

The Southern Appalachian Nature Photographers (S.A.N.P.) fiscal year ends April 30 th of each year. Membership dues for the period of May 1 , 2009 to April 30 , 2010 are payable now .
Please complete this form with your name(s), mailing address, phone number(s), email address, and membership category. Make your check payable to SANP and return your check along with this completed form to:
Southern Appalachian Nature Photographers
ATTN: Alice Reed
102 Capital Circle
Oak Ridge, TN 37830
If you have any questions concerning membership renewal, please contact Alice Reed at 865-481-6237
Name(s):
Address:

Home Phone: (____)_____ Work Phone: (____)____

ail Address:		
Full	l Membership	\$25.00 Annually
For	one person having full privileges of the	club and one vote.
Fan	nily Membership	\$35.00 Annuall
For	all members of a family residing togeth	er (or away at school).
All family members ha	aving full privileges of the club and two	votes.
Stu	dent Membership	\$12.50 Annually
For	one person, attending any accredited s	chool, having full
privileges of the club	and one vote.	
Ass	ociate Membership	\$20.00 Annually
For	a business wishing to support the club.	Privileges are limited
to monthly meetings	and no vote.	
Nor	n-Resident Membership	\$12.50 Annually
For	one person living over 100 miles from I	Knoxville having full
privi	leges of the club and one vote.	
Fan	nily Non-Resident Membership	\$17.50 Annually
For	families residing together over 100 mile	es from Knoxville having

full privileges of the club and two votes.

New Membership: If joining after December 1, dues are half price.

New Member: No Yes	Check/Cash:	Badge:
Date Rcvd:	Gave to Treasurer:	Membership List:
Rcvd How:	Notify Newsletter:	Changes: