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## Calendar

12/10 Holiday Potluck Dinner

12/12 Audubon Natural Area Trail Workday

12/19 Christmas Bird Count

1/16 Wet Meadow Workday

1/29 - 1/31 Outer Banks Field Trip

2/6 Audubon North Carolina Chapter Day at the Zoo

2/12 - 2/15 Great Backyard Bird Count

### Happy Holidays (& Holiday Potlucks) to You!



Enjoy nature indoors at the Kathleen Clay Edwards library on December 10 at 6:00 p.m. It's T. G. Pearson Audubon's annual Holiday Potluck and Picture Show! Bring a dish to share plus pictures of trips, hikes, or what's happening in your own backyard, up to 5 minutes, on a disk or flash drive. We'll provide iced tea and coffee. Please call Sue Cole (854-3346) if you're bringing pictures or if you have any questions.

### "Happy Trails" to the Audubon Natural Area

There's winter woodworking afoot on the trails at the [Audubon Natural Area](#) (ANA) on Saturday, December 12, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. We'll gather fallen logs and limbs, saw them into manageable lengths and use them to line the trails. Bring a bow saw/chain saw if you have one, gloves, and clippers (to cut back vines). The ANA is just north of Cone Hospital on Tankersley Drive between N. Elm and N. Church Streets. Call Jack Jezorek (272-6664) with any questions.

### Yes You Can...Participate in the 2009 Christmas Bird Count!



This early-winter bird census is a 100-year-old citizen-science opportunity with the National Audubon Society. Within a 24-hour period, thousands of volunteers in the US, Canada, and 19 countries count birds within specific 15-mile areas. Count at your feeder or out in the field. Info is used internationally to track changes in bird populations and distributions. Contact coordinator Elizabeth Link (273-4672, [elzlink@yahoo.com](mailto:elzlink@yahoo.com)) to participate in Guilford County's count on December 19. For the big picture, click [here](#).

### Help! The Wet Meadow Needs Somebod(ies)...

The Price Park wet meadow would not continue to exist without our help. Many animals and plants need this specialized habitat in Greensboro, so every January volunteers show up to remove invasive plants and young trees. Grab your work gloves Saturday morning, January 16, at 10 a.m and join us. Bring pruners (large and small) and a small tree saw, too, if you have them. (Rain or snow date: February 20.)

### Outer Banks Field Trip Opportunity for January



Come along with us January 29-31, 2010, to coastal North Carolina to see winter waterfowl and shorebirds – from Kill Devil Hills to the [Audubon Sanctuary at Pine Island](#), to [Nags Head Woods](#), [Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge](#), and Cape Hatteras... and the return trip may include a stop at Lake Mattamuskeet. A joint field trip with Piedmont Bird Club, we have space for 15 people who RSVP by December 15. Visit our [website](#) for details.

### You Belong in the Zoo

Audubon North Carolina's 2010 Chapter Day will be held Saturday, February 6, 2010, at the NC Zoo in Asheboro. Join the group from our own T.G. Pearson Audubon chapter for this informative, fun day when the nine Audubon chapters share success stories from across North Carolina. Look for more information as the date approaches.

### The Great Backyard Bird Count Coming February 12-15, 2010



Another citizen-science opportunity for individuals or for a neighborhood, school, church, Scout or community group – count birds for the Great Backyard Bird Count, a 4-day event organized by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology and the National Audubon Society and sponsored by Wild Birds Unlimited. You can help document the complex distribution and movement of bird species. To learn how to participate and to explore the results of previous counts, visit the [GBBC website](#). To arrange for training of your neighborhood, school, church or other group, contact us by return e-mail.

### \$20 Million Greenbacks To Make America Greener

Read about Audubon's 5-year initiative, funded by a \$20 million dollar gift from Toyota, for conservation projects across the country by a new generation of environmentalists. Is there a project right here we should fund, or a future leader right here we should support? Take a look at Audubon's [TogetherGreen](#) website and respond.

### Chimney Sweeping's for the Birds (at Price Park)



In this photo, Audubon member Dennis Burnette, who last year led the effort to build a Chimney Swift tower in Price Park, readies it for next year's roosting and nesting. It's one of many Price Park projects for our chapter in the coming year: the wet meadow workday January 16, our Earth Day KidzBlitz on April 10, the BioBlitz Social on May 14, and the major BioBlitz at Price Park on May 15. Keep checking our website's [calendar](#) for details and contact information. Reply to this e-mail if you'd like to get involved.