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Annual Dues for 2022

Dues for 2022 are due from now until December 2021. Singles are \$20, and couples are \$35 for the year. You can send a check, payable to Southern Ocean Birding Group, to: SOBG, c/o Jeanine Apgar, 206 N. Frankfurt Ave, Egg Harbor City, NJ 08215. **Online Paypal is available for renewals, new memberships, and donations on our website.**

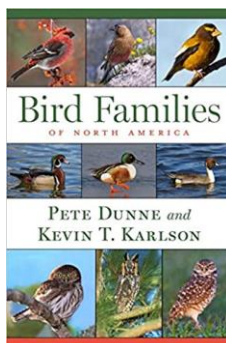
September 18 Field Trip

Palmyra Cove Nature Park (PCNP) is a 250-acre urban oasis along a highly developed area on the Delaware River. Habitats include wetlands, woodlands, meadows, wild creek and river shoreline, and a freshwater Tidal Cove after which the park is named.



We will meet to carpool at the WaWa on Rt. 72 near the Rt. 70 circle at 8 a.m. Warbler fall migration should be in full swing by then. Please let us know if you

plan on going by Sept. 17 so no one is left behind.



September 2, 2021 Virtual Meeting

We will have a virtual Zoom Meeting on **September 2, 2021** at 7 p.m, with a presentation on “**Bird Families of North America**” with Kevin Karlson. This program is based on a new book by Pete Dunne and Kevin Karlson titled “Bird Families of North America (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, July 2021). It is a celebration of the spectacular bird life of North America, with select bird families and species highlighted in a light-hearted manner. In Pete’s words: “This book is a tribute to the birds that have enriched our lives since childhood, and to all who pursue them for fun and enjoyment”, and that is what we hope to accomplish in this show. A short video of Pete explaining the concept of the book opens the show. Come and join the celebration as we show still photos and videos of some of your favorite bird families and share some interesting personal stories and natural history tidbits.

Kevin T. Karlson is an accomplished birder, professional tour leader, speaker and wildlife photographer who has published numerous articles on bird identification and natural history for an assortment of magazines, journals, calendars, and electronic media.

A Zoom invite will be sent shortly. In the meantime, stay safe and get vaccinated. Only vaccinated people will be allowed into indoor events.

Field Trips

- September 18—Palmyra Cove Nature Center
- November 6—Cape May Hawkwatch and Avalon Seawatch
- December 18—Tuckerton Christmas Bird Count

Cape May House

The Cape May house is fully reserved for Oct. 4-8.

As always, friends and members are welcome to visit and stay the day birding with us. The address is 1112 Washington Street, Cape May. It is right next to the Physick Estate.

Whale Watching in September

If you went on the whale watch out of Belmar in July, you have a free pass to go again this year. Some of us plan on going together; join us at a date to be determined as the boat is going out every day. We'll wait to see what the weather might be like a week before.

Magee Marsh Severely Damaged

Many of us have visited Magee Marsh in Ohio over the years for the exceptional spring migration that occurs there. It was recently heavily damaged by storms last week, but they are hopeful that it will be repaired by May.

<https://www.wtol.com/article/news/local/eagles-nest-and-parts-of-magee-marsh-severely-damaged-after-northwest-ohio-storms/512-86496d5c-61ad-4a35-aa99-70065fd87633>



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