KERN AUDUBON PROGRAM Tues, February 6th 7pm

PLEASE NOTE DIFFERENT LOCATION First Congregational Church 5 Real Rd. (Real Rd. and Stockdale Hwy.)

A Monumental Legacy: The Antiquities Act and the American West
For over 100 years, the 1906 Antiquities Act has empowered American presidents, beginning with Teddy Roosevelt, to create national monuments to protect and preserve America’s natural and cultural heritage. Doug Dodd’s illustrated talk will discuss the origins of the preservation ideal, the conservation movement, and the development of America’s system of national monuments, such as the Sequoia National Monument in Kern & Tulare Counties. The Antiquities Act has recently come under fire as the Interior Department has sought to decrease the size of some national monuments created in the last decade. Doug Dodd will discuss the history of the Antiquities Act and update us on recent developments related to national monuments.

Dr. Douglas Dodd is an Associate Professor of History at CSU Bakersfield, where he teaches U.S. history, environmental history, and the history of the American West. His work focuses on the history of federal public land management policy and more recently on the work of the Civilian Conservation Corps in California’s national parks, 1933-1942. Dr. Dodd is a member of Kern Audubon.

FEBRUARY FIELD TRIPS
Sun. Feb. 4th, 1:00pm - Kern & Pixley National Wildlife Refuges
Want a SUPER field trip instead of a Super Bowl?! Then join us for birding at two area wildlife refuges. Geoff Grisdale, Kern NWR Wildlife Biologist, will lead the afternoon and early evening outing to Kern & Pixley refuges. We will view shorebirds & waterfowl at Kern, then drive to Pixley NWR to see the Sandhill Cranes before they fly north for the spring and summer, viewing the cranes at sunset and twilight as they return to the safety of the refuge for the night.
Meet at the Costco on Rosedale Highway near the gas station at 1:00pm to carpool. Bring $10 for transportation, water, snacks, binoculars and a sack dinner (optional). We will return to Bakersfield by approximately 7pm. Contact Madi Elsea, for more information: 322-7470. If you haven’t seen (or heard) the Sandhill Cranes at sunset, it is truly a wonderful experience!

Sat. Feb 10, 8am-12pm - Cesar Chavez National Monument, Keene CA
The National Park Service has invited Kern Audubon & Kern Audubon-Tehachapi to a morning of birding the 117 acre Cesar Chavez National Monument in Keene, located between Bakersfield and Tehachapi on Highway 58. Ruben Andrade, Monument Superintendent, will speak briefly at 8:30am and Linda Mutch, Science Communications Specialist with the National Park Service will orient birders to the goal of the outing, which is to help provide a bird list for the monument. Bill Moffat & Greg Hargleroad will provide leadership for Kern Audubon and KAS-Tehachapi birders.

Tehachapi birders should meet Greg at the Tehachapi Burger King at 8:00am to carpool to the monument.
Bakersfield birders meet at the Stockdale ParknRide located between Highway 99 & Real Rd at 7:45am to carpool.
Birders can also go directly to the Chavez National Monument, 29700 Woodford-Tehachapi Rd., Keene, arriving by 8:30am. Bring water, snacks, binoculars and a picnic lunch. Participants are welcome to visit the memorial gardens and the visitor center at the conclusion of the event.
Questions? Contact Bill or Deb: 805-0232 or Greg: 818/645-3664

Tues. Feb. 20, 8:30am - Truxtun Lake
Al Caetano will lead this morning of birding around Truxtun Lake. Meet in the parking lot along Truxtun Extension near the painted water tower west of Mohawk Drive. Bring water, snacks, binoculars (loaners available). Questions? Contact Al: 833-6705
The Great Backyard Bird Count (GBBC) is a free, fun, and easy event that engages bird watchers of all ages in counting birds to create a real-time snapshot of bird populations. Participants are asked to count birds for as little as 15 minutes (or as long as they wish) on one or more days of the four-day event and report their sightings online at birdcount.org. Anyone can take part in the Great Backyard Bird Count, from beginning bird watchers to experts, and you can participate from your backyard, or anywhere in the world.

The Great Backyard Bird Count is a citizen science program of the Cornell Lab of Ornithology and The National Audubon Society.
YEAR-END APPEAL...Once again there has been a generous response to the end-of-the-year appeal in the amount of $1845!! The Kern Audubon Executive Board wishes to acknowledge and thank the following persons for your extra gifts toward KAS’ continuing efforts to “create a culture of conservation in Kern County” in 2018...

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The Executive Board is considering ending the paper/mailed version of this monthly newsletter to save printing and postage costs as well as trees. Your feedback is helpful but especially helpful is to have your email addresses so that you will receive the e-Warbler. Please send your email address to rodnee@aol.com.

If you have concerns about the transition to receiving the Warbler by e-mail or would like to continue to receive a printed Warbler please contact: Harry Love - Address - 13500 Powder River Ave. 93314; harrylove1944@gmail.com; 661-805-1420. Ginny Dallas - Address - 11814 Kettering Dr. 93312; vdallasdull@gmail.com; 661-301-8188. Give feedback to any member of the Exec Board!

WORKPARTY AT PANORAMA VISTA PRESERVE

Saturday, Feb. 10, @ 9am  
East end of Roberts Lane.  
Bring water, a hat, gloves and a shovel if you have one. If you have any questions please contact David S. at: davidws@pacbell.net.

SCIENCE CAMP AT PANORAMA VISTA PRESERVE

On February 23, March 2, March 9, and March 16 (All Fridays), each day there will be a science camp at PVP from 8AM-12PM. We are hoping you can join the great team of volunteers for this very rewarding activity. No experience needed! All materials and training provided on site! This activity shows the community KAS at its best. You can come for as little as just one day. If interested or if you have questions, please email HARRY LOVE (harrylove1944@gmail.com) or call (661-805-1420). SIGN IN TODAY!
Join KERN AUDUBON for these activities:
• Sun. Feb. 4, 1pm - Kern & Pixley National Wildlife Refuges field trip
• Tues. Feb. 6, 7pm - KAS Program
• Sat. Feb. 10, 8am-12pm - Cesar Chavez National Monument field trip
• Sat. Feb. 10, 9am - PVP Work Day
• Tues. Feb. 20, 8:30am - Truxtun Lake field trip

Membership Application – KERN AUDUBON SOCIETY (C4ZC300Z)
If you would like to be apart of a grass-roots conservation organization with a distinguished history, join the National Audubon Society and Kern Audubon! Please complete the form below and send with your check.

Membership includes Audubon Magazine (6 Issues) and the Audubon’s Warbler (10 Issues)

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