**Beginner Birding Fieldtrip**

Audubon South Carolina welcomes you to join our experienced staff for a morning of birding. If you think birds (and all wild creatures) are fascinating then please join us for a fun morning primer on how to enjoy and identify your feathered neighbors. All bird count data will be submitted to the Great Backyard Bird Count which coincides on the 15th.

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<td>Meet Brandon Heitkamp in front of Main entrance</td>
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**Event includes:**

- **Participating in hands-on activities you can use in the field, and instruction on how to identify field marks, use a field guide, use binoculars, spotting scopes and cameras to view and photograph birds.**
- **A guided walk around Odell Weeks to spot and learn the common birds in your area**
- **Expert birders will be on hand to answer questions and help you enjoy delving into the beautiful world of birding**
- **NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!!**

To register, please call or e-mail **Brandon Heitkamp** - (803) 471-0291 e-mail: bheitkamp@audubon.org
What is Project Learning Tree?

Project Learning Tree (PLT) is an internationally recognized, award winning environmental education program which uses the forest as a "window" to the natural world, helping young people gain an awareness and knowledge of the world around them, as well as their place within it. In South Carolina over 16,600 formal and informal educators have received training in PLT.

Who uses PLT materials?

PLT materials are designed to be used by formal and non-formal educators who use the environment to teach basic environmental literacy skills and information. Classroom teachers, scout and youth leaders, park and nature center interpreters, foresters, wildlife professionals, home schoolers, and others who want fun and engaging activities to use both indoors and outdoors find PLT an excellent resource.

The NEW PreK-8 PLT Activity guide is easy to use. Each lesson is complete with adequate background material; an overview for quick reference; a sidebar with a listing of grade levels, subjects, concepts, skills, objectives, materials used and time considerations; along with technology connections, reading connections and differentiated instruction. The K-8 Activity Guide has eight easy to use indices for quick reference, along with sixteen teacher friendly appendices. Each lesson has step-by-step instructions that are easily followed along with student pages for class work. All materials used in PLT activities are inexpensive household items easily found in local stores (paper plates, strings, etc.)

PLT Activities teach “HOW TO THINK NOT WHAT TO THINK ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT”

- PLT Activities reflect several methods of teaching environmental literacy and values.
- PLT provides ready-made lessons and activities that can be used to supplement your existing programs.
- PLT activities are action-oriented. They can be used in any order and require little, if anything, in the way of equipment.
- PLT Activities work in the city or in the country, indoors or outdoors, whether there are acres of forest land or just a single tree.
- PLT is not just forestry, but incorporates a variety of lessons about the environment; from wildlife to soil and water conservation, from wetlands to water cycles; from energy to pollution.
- PLT is multi-disciplinary, integrating science with math, social studies, language arts, reading, visual and performing arts.

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National PLT website:

www.plt.org