



WARRENTON GARDEN CLUB

Annual Conservation Meeting

November 10, 2016 ♦ 10:00 AM - 12:00PM ♦ PEC

American Bird Conservancy & Update from PEC

Birds are threatened in a host of different ways. These include the loss of habitat; the use of pesticides; fishing practices; climate change; the onslaught by invasive species; and a lack of resources. As a result hundreds of bird species are on track toward extinction.

American Bird Conservancy (ABC) was founded in 1994. The goals of the organization are aimed at creating: “An Americas-wide landscape where diverse interests collaborate to ensure that native bird species and their habitats are protected ... where their protection is valued by society...and where they are routinely considered in all land-use and policy decision-making.” **Dr. David Wiedenfeld** will join us to discuss ABC’s work with special focus on the threats to birds found in Virginia’s Piedmont.



Dr. Wiedenfeld has worked at American Bird Conservancy since 2007. Since joining the organization he has served as Assistant Director of International Programs and more recently as Senior Conservation Scientist. He is involved in project development, planning, monitoring and evaluation. Prior to joining ABC, Dr. Wiedenfeld served for more than three years as Head of the Department of Vertebrate Ecology at the Charles Darwin Research Station, in the Galapagos Islands. Dr. Wiedenfeld earned his M.S. from Louisiana State University and received a Ph.D. from Florida State University.

In the second half of our meeting **Dan Holmes** from the Piedmont Environmental Council will provide us with an update on current issues affecting the environment in the Piedmont.

Dan Holmes joined the Piedmont Environmental Council in 2000 as Special Projects Coordinator, battling the proliferation of power plants statewide focusing on individual plants in the Piedmont region. Dan serves as the Orange County field officer and continues his work on air quality and energy policy. He is a current member of the State Advisory Board on Air Pollution and has served on numerous State advisory workgroups including the VA Energy Plan Technical Advisory Committee and the Mercury Advisory Committee. In addition to his work on policy issues, Dan has lead PEC’s efforts to plan a sustainable landscape featuring native plants for PEC’s Horner St. office. Dan’s undergraduate is in Horticulture and he holds a Masters in Ecological Land Use Planning.

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Note: The Warrenton Garden Club’s Annual Conservation Meeting is an open meeting and refreshments will be served. We would be grateful if you would confirm your planned attendance by November 4 to Lili Alexander.

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