## **APWS 2023 CONVENTION** ~ **SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA Tentative Schedule – Some Stops may be added as time permits.**

**DEADLINE FOR CONVENTION REGISTRATION OCTOBER 16, 2023 FIRM!!** 

Questions or Problems Please Contact Janet Trader, Convention Chair at JanetTrader@darlenestravelservices.com (or) 757-990-0116

## ~ PLEASE PRINT ~ MUST BE REGISTERED TO ATTEND

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| CONVENTION REGISTRATON FEES: BASED (   | ON AVAILIBILITY                            |                           |
| CONVENTION FEES ~ <u>\$195.00</u> PER PERS   | ON <u>US FUNDS</u> x = TOTA                | AL <u>US FUNDS</u> : \$   |
| FOR REGISTRATION MAKE CHECKS PAYAB<br>5129 HOLLAND ROAD, NEW CHURCH, VA 234  |  | T TRADER, APWS TREASURER, |
| **ACCOMODATIONS <u>BASED ON AVAILIBILIT</u>  | <mark>IY</mark> – CHECK IN: NOV 2, 2023 CH | IECK OUT: NOV 5, 2023     |
| HAMPTON INN SHREVEPORT AIRPORT, 5226<br>KING OR 2 QUEENS <u>109.00 PER NIGHT PLUS 1</u><br>AIRPORT SHUTTLE (FREE PARKING IF DRIV<br>**Check in is at 3:00 pm and Check out is at 11:00 | <u>FAX</u> – NON-SMOKING. COMPLI<br>TNG)   |                           |
| <ul> <li>CUT-OFF DATE FIRM!! - OCTOBER 16, 2023</li> <li>WHEN CALLING FOR ROOM BLOCK -<br/>DIRECT ONLINE BOOKING LINK IS:</li> </ul>   | - CODE IS: APW or APWS                     |                           |

https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/shvlahx-apw-cbabe623-c740-4a8f-92c8-67b4d188adac/



APWS 2023 Annual Convention November 2 - 4 2023 Convention Hosts: Pinola Conservancy Aviary Paul Dickson, Owner and Jacob Kraemer, Aviary Director AND Bayou Bird Farm Kelly McMullin and Timothy Bora

PLEASE NOTE: You <u>must be</u> registered to attend. You cannot just show up on locations. Registration Forms will be sent out upon requests and information will be listed in the magazine, on the APWS Facebook and Website. You can contact Janet Trader, APWS Convention Chair for more information at JanetTrader@darlenestravelservices.com (Subject Line APWS 2023)

| Thursday, November 2, 2023 | Arrivals, Board Meeting, Group Dinner TBA<br>Hampton Inn Shreveport Airport  |
|----------------------------|--|
| Friday, November 3, 2023   | Tour at Pinola Conservancy Aviary and Scheduled Speaker<br>Lunch Included in Registration<br>Other Tour To Be Announced – Possible Stop at Bayou Pierre for Bird Watching<br>Group Dinner Included and Benefit Auction (Birds in Auction this year)  |
| Saturday, November 4, 2023 | Tour at Bayou Bird Farm<br>Scenic Stop<br>Picnic Lunch on the Red River – Included in Registration<br>Red River National Wildlife Refuge Tour (Sandhill and Whooping Crane Flyway)<br>Story Trail (30 Minute Walk)<br>Speaker: Terri Jacobson, Biologist and Lea Park Ranger – Birds of the Refuge<br>Dinner |

Sunday, November 5, 2023 Check out and Flights Home

"Pinola is a private aviary containing many species of birds located near Shreveport, Louisiana. We are a private aviary in Louisiana. Nearly three hundred species of many families of birds from all over the earth find a home here, from the critically endangered to the common. We produce birds for zoos and other private aviaries. Another goal of The Pinola Conservancy is to provide an educational resource that this web site offers. It contains thousands of photographs, live web cams and developing educational tools for the use of anyone who is as fascinated by birds as we are. It also provides just a fun online visit. We hope that you will find beauty and value here and visit often. The facility includes enclosed free-flight community aviaries, open ponds and lawns, and focused facilities aimed at the needs of certain species. Primarily producing waterfowl, we encourage each bird to reproduce and distribute our surplus to other qualified private, public and institutional aviaries and zoological parks. The aviaries contain lush natural vegetation, flowing water and ponds. A wide range of foods, nesting structures and careful species compositions assure a good quality of life for the birds that we keep. Some incubate and rear their young and we also collect eggs for care in our specialized incubation and rearing facilities, producing roughly 1000 young birds each year. Our purpose is the captive preservation and propagation of birds, not display thus the facility is closed to the public." I am sure many things have changed once we were last there in 2013 and looking forward to visiting and seeing both Paul and Jacob once again. Paul has kindly opened the door of his beautiful facility to APWS once again for this visit and we have watched Jacob accomplish wonderful achievements over the years.

At Bayou Bird Farm you will see over 40 plus species and sub-species of pheasants plus other birds such as turacos, cranes, guineas, peacock pheasants, roul roul partridge, curassows, crowned pigeons, chachalacas and only crested guans left in the US plus many other birds. Kelly is a Legend in himself, very respected and knowledgeable and has been involved in Aviculture for 60 plus years. Timothy Bora who is also very knowledgeable and a pleasure to speak with about birds at Bayou Bird Farm has taken on a huge role at the Aviary but I Kelly will never sleep nor retire! PS: The alligator is no longer alive...

Red River National Wildlife Refuge is made up of several units in the Red River Valley in northwestern Louisiana and provides habitat for waterfowl, wading birds, songbirds, and other native wildlife species. The Refuge boasts a large Visitor Center, Headquarters Offices and Education Center that opened in January 2012. I am hoping for some viewing so either whooping or sandhill cranes among other birds.

Things to Bring: Binoculars, light rain jacket, good walking shoes, Camera, some type of hat and bug spray. \*Check the weather forecast when packing.

Eugene Goss, APWS Auctioneer 2305 Eldorado Ct, St Cloud, FL 34771 <u>presgene@aol.com</u> cc email to: Cwrobel27@aol.com PH: 407-556-3349



Greetings from the American Pheasant & Waterfowl Society Auctioneer!

One of the major sources of income to fund our magazine, organization, scholarship and other worthwhile projects is the fund raiser auction and raffle that is held each year in conjunction with the APWS Annual Convention. This year the convention will be at The Hampton Inn Shreveport Airport in Louisiana. We are asking for your support in the form of a donation of a product, gift certificate, subscription, monetary or any item that can be used in our auction or raffle.

In the past, we have had everything from live birds to paintings, hair care products to fishing trips, jewelry to books, ties to jackets, etc. All items are welcomed and appreciated. If birds are donated the value should be worth the cost of shipping. Arrangements between the donor and buyer must be made to have live birds shipped. APWS and/or the Auction Committee do not notify the donor who has purchased their item. Donor must also send a copy of form 9-2 or 9-3 from the NPIP Pullorum test report.

Any person or company that donates will be recognized and thanked in our APWS magazine, which is sent to all APWS Members. Please fill out the enclosed form below and ship with your item/s. Items except live birds, may be brought by donor or sent directly to the auctioneer in Florida.

\*\*SEE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION BELOW\*\*

On behalf of the APWS, I thank you for your donation & support in making our 2019 Auction a success. Best regards, Gene (Eugene) Goss, APWS Auction Chairman

\*\*PLEASE EMAIL Eugene Goss by October 16th with Auction Donation Item/s so that he can comprise a list of donated items prior to the auction at presgene@aol.com and cc email to: Cwrobel27@aol.com

\*\*PLEASE DO NOT SEND ANY ITEMS TO THE HOTEL - Please send them directly to Eugene Goss, APWS Auctioneer 2305 Eldorado Ct, St Cloud, FL 34771

\*\*\*\*For Monetary Donations to APWS send to (US FUNDS): ET Trader, APWS Treasurer, 5129 Holland Road, New Church, VA 23415

**APWS AUCTION DONATION FORM – Please Print Clearly and Send with Donation** 

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\_\_\_\_\_ I HAVE SHIPPED/MAILED THESE ITEMS TO EUGENE GOSS OR ET TRADER (addresses and deadline dates above)

I WILL BRING THESE ITEMS WITH ME TO THE CONVENTION

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