

# **Idaho Master Naturalists 2015 Rendezvous Program**

## ***Friday Morning***

Birding on your own (Sunrise 7:00 am)

Sessions start at 9:00 am

*Welcome and Introductions*

Sara Focht, Harriman State Park, Host Chapters, all Chapters

*The Upper Snake Region and the Henry's Fork Watershed*

Rob Van Kirk, Senior Scientist, Henry's Fork Foundation

## ***Friday Afternoon***

Sessions start at 1:00 pm

*Grizzly Bear Recovery and Status of Recovery Regions*

Gregg Losinski, IDF&G, Chair of Information & Education Subcommittees for Yellowstone Ecosystem and Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee.

*Bear Aware Education*

Ken and Collette Olson, IMN, and IDF&G staff

## ***Friday Evening***

Bat walk with bat detectors, campfire.

## ***Saturday Morning***

Birding on your own (Sunrise 7:00 am)

Sessions start at 9:00 am

*Monarch Butterflies*

Beth Waterbury, Wildlife Biologist, Species Diversity Biologist, IDF&G.

*Geology of the Upper Snake Region - Island Park, Idaho: Born of Fire*

Dan Moore, Professor of Geology, Brigham Young University - Idaho

## **Saturday Afternoon**

Field Trips - space is limited, rank the field trips in order of preference (1 is your first choice-4 is your last choice). First come, first serve no more than 20 people on any one field trip).

- A. Walking tour of the Harriman Ranch and Buildings including historical aspects of the ranch, historical and current land management practices, ecology, role of the Ranch in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. *Harriman Park Staff*
- B. Walking tour of the Nature Conservancy's Flat Ranch including historical aspects of the ranch, historical and current land management practices, research, ecology, and role of the Ranch in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. *Nature Conservancy Staff.*
- C. Geology of the Upper Snake Region, driving and walking tour to view the boundaries of the Yellowstone Calderas including examples at Mesa Falls. *Dan Moore, Professor of Geology, Brigham Young University - Idaho*
- D. Trumpeter Swans in the Upper Snake and Teton Valley, presentation of the role of the region in the recovery of the Trumpeter Swan, current status and challenges. Walk to Trumpeter Swan nesting sites at Harriman. *Ruth Shea, Greater Yellowstone Coordinator, Trumpeter Swan Society.*

## **Saturday Evening**

Socializing, Campfire, Games, Music

## **Sunday Morning**

Birding on your own (Sunrise 7:00 am)

Presentations begin at 9:00 am

Bats: Issues and Research in South East Idaho (*Speaker TBD*).

Live Raptor Presentation - Birds of Prey, *Grizzly and Wolf Discovery Center Staff*

## **Rendezvous Ends at Noon on Sunday**