

New Haven Bird Club Annual Banquet

Thursday, May 12, 2016



Amarante's Sea Cliff, 62 Cove Street, New Haven Cocktails and Hors D'oeuvres 6:00 - 7:00 PM Dinner and Program 7:00 - 10:00 PM

The dinner is \$35/person for members and guests. There will be a cash bar. Don't forget to bring money for the raffle.

> Dinner Options: Filet Mignon & Shrimp Kabobs Chicken Marsala Vegetarian

Canaries in the Saltmarsh: The Conservation of Saltmarsh Sparrows and other Tidal Marsh Birds Chris S. Elphick



With increased coastal development and rising sea levels, tidal marsh birds face many threats. Among the saltmarsh specialists that nest in Connecticut, saltmarsh sparrow is most vulnerable. What is the status of tidal marsh birds throughout the northeast, and what are the specific threats faced by saltmarsh sparrows? Chris will share with us the ongoing research on how to conserve these birds, what were the effects of Hurricane Sandy, and the effects of habitat restoration.

Professor in UConn's Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology,

Chris Elphick considers himself a conservation biologist, an applied ecologist, and an ornithologist. His research interests span behavioral, population, community and landscape ecology. Most of Chris' research has focused on aquatic species that occur in wetland or agricultural habitats, but he's also worked in the tropical forest, the boreal zone, and the open ocean. The overriding goal that unites much of his work is understanding how best ecologists can guide management decisions so as to reconcile the conservation of biological diversity with other human activities.

Reserve on the website <u>www.newhavenbirdclub.org</u> or mail the form below.

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The deadline for reservations is May 1, 2016. No tickets will be sold at the door.

NAME(S): (As they should appear on name tag)

DINNER SELECTION: (Mark 1 for each person)Beef/Shrimp _____ Chicken _____ Vegetarian _____Beef/Shrimp _____ Chicken _____ Vegetarian _____Beef/Shrimp _____ Chicken _____ Vegetarian _____

of Persons X \$35.00 (members & guests) = Total Due \$

Please mail your Main Course choice plus your name and address with a check made out to NHBC in the full amount to: NHBC, C/O Mike Ferrari, 415 Acorn Lane, Milford, CT 06461 203-435-5712, mike.ferrari@att.net