CLOSING CONTINUED

For the health and well-being of our members, families, and friends, the board of directors continues to suspend all programs and activities, including general meetings, for the duration of the season which ends May 31. Normally, at our April general meeting, we elect officers for the coming year; we will now put off these elections until our October meeting.

NATURE IS NOT CLOSED!

Though our Nature Center and programs are closed, nature is not. The Celery Fields are open for birding and wildlife viewing. We are postponing group events, but you can still bird individually. Many people enjoy backyard birding and learning about the birds in their neighborhoods. Maybe start keeping track of what you see by downloading a Sarasota County Checklist at https://www.sarasotaaudubon.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/AUD-0027-1307checklist-2.pdf
Here's what's coming up:

- Look for *The Brown Pelican* at the beginning of April to give you all the up-to-date news about Sarasota's birds and the environment.
- Starting April 13, and until May 31, we will be switching to a weekly eblast that will include further updates on our local birds, links to items of interest: videos, articles, educational tools, and other ways to keep you occupied birdwise.
- Follow us on Facebook for regular postings about birds and wildlife here and around the country. Visit and like our page at https://www.facebook.com/SarasotaAudubonSociety/
- The *24-hour Giving Challenge* will be held this year on April 28 and 29. Like other area nonprofits, our suspended programs and closed gift shop will impact us financially. We hope you will join and give as generously as you can.

Over the next few weeks, take some time to notice the beauty around you. The trees are almost in full bloom. Tiny flowers sparkle in the grasses in vibrant colors. Bees are buzzing and baby birds are testing their wings. There are still 100's of acres of habitat available to you where you can get a glimpse of birds and wildlife.

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Thank you for your support of Sarasota Audubon and a way of life
that includes the natural world around us.

Stay Safe!

Sarasota Audubon Board of Directors