



# Bird Calls

Newsletter of the Bastrop County Audubon Society

## **Meeting: Tuesday, April 17, 2018:**

Dr. David Mitchell will present April's program "The Galapagos: Epicenter of the Modern Age." Dr. Mitchell and his wife Judy travelled to the Galapagos Islands in September of 2016 where they recorded the geology, ecology and marine biology of this unique archipelago, famous as a fundamental source of data underlying Darwin's theory of evolution and adaptation by natural selection. Dr. Mitchell, BCAS Program Chair, is an expert birder and photographer.

Their boat visited six of the major islands comprising the Galapagos over an eight day period, each island harboring its own unique geology and biome. During the trip Dr. Mitchell compiled a photo journal of the seabirds, marine mammals, avifauna, fish, reptiles (including the famous tortoises), as well as research stations currently involved in studies on biology and evolution.

The meeting will take place at the First National Bank building on Hwy 71 in Bastrop on Tuesday, April 17 beginning at 7:00 PM. Doors open at 6:30. Please join us for an evening of exploration and education.

We will have dinner with the Mitchells at 5:00 p.m. at Cedar's Mediterranean in Bastrop. RSVP [SSimon1221@yahoo.com](mailto:ssimon1221@yahoo.com). A good time will be had by all.