

Program for February 17, 2015: "Birding in Chiapas, Mexico," presented by Brock Huffman of Chiapas Birding Adventures. Chiapas is the southernmost state in Mexico, bordering Guatemala and the Pacific Ocean and boasts 770 species of birds. Huffman says, "The state is filled with wildly beautiful landscapes, rich indigenous culture, and impressive Maya archaeological sites." He will share his photos and birding experiences with us at the BCAS meeting at the First National Bank Meeting Room in Bastrop, beginning at 7:00 p.m. The public is invited. Refreshments will be served.

GBBC: BirdCounts.org: 1. Register.

- 2. Count birds for at least 15 minutes on one or more days of the Great Backyard Bird Count. You can count for longer than that if you wish! Count birds in as many places and on as many days as you like—one day, two days, or all four days. Submit a separate checklist for each new day, for each new location, or for the same location if you counted at a different time of day.
- 3. Enter your results on the GBBC website by clicking "Submit Observations" on the home page. *It's easy! And important.* Launched in 1998 by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology and National Audubon Society, the GBBC was the first online citizen-science project to collect data on wild birds & to display results in near real-time.