

# **Friends of Bitter Lake NWR**

**SEPTEMBER 2008**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Our next general membership meeting will be Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, at 12:20 PM at the Visitor Center. Once again it will be a “bring your own” lunch. Beverages and desserts will be provided.**

**Our speaker, Refuge Biologist Jeff Sanchez, will describe some of the biological activities currently taking place on the refuge. We will also have an election of officers and a review of important issues facing the Friends of Bitter Lake. Part of the program will be a session where we will hear from you – our members – your ideas and recommendations for future activities and goals of the Friends of Bitter Lake. Comments concerning the recent Dragonfly Festival are also welcome.**

**If you can not attend, you may send your ideas, comments and recommendations to:**

**Friends of Bitter Lake  
Bitter Lake Natl. Wildlife refuge  
4065 Bitter lakes Road  
Roswell, NM 88201**

**Or to: [braxtol@cableone.net](mailto:braxtol@cableone.net)  
(The Treasurer’s email address)**

### **Our current officers are:**

**President: Bill Briney  
Vice President: Cecil Kimberlin  
Treasurer: Jim Montgomery  
Recording Secretary: Bill Siders  
Corresponding Secretary: Betty Easley**

### **Other members of the Board of Directors are:**

**Jan Alvarez  
Juliana Halvorson  
Jan Whittinghill-Howland  
Billie Marlatt  
Steve Marshall  
Christina Rivera  
Noel Sivertson**

### **The Refuge Representative is:**

**Steve Alvarez**

## **Active members may now receive a 10% discount on items purchased from the Visitor Center Bookstore.**

You are an active member if you have paid membership dues within the previous 12 months. The month and year when you last paid dues are after your name on the envelope. If you have questions about your membership, contact Jim Montgomery at either of the addresses listed in this newsletter.

**Please check out our web site at:**

**[www.friendsofbitterlake.com](http://www.friendsofbitterlake.com)**

Announcements and copies of future newsletters will be posted on the web site. Please contact Jim Montgomery at [braxtol@cableone.net](mailto:braxtol@cableone.net) if you prefer to receive announcements and newsletters by email.

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## ***A BIG THANK YOU***

**to all who made the 2008 Dragon Fly Festival a Success.**

**The Staff at Bitter Lake NWR: Steve Alvarez, Josh Gonzales, Richard Gonzales, Milton Harper, Jeff Howland, Donna Jackson, Marcos Munoz, Rick Ozbun, Jeff Sanchez, Larry Ulibarri and Tom Wartman. Tour Guides: Jerry Hatfield, Bob Larson, James Lasswell, Bill Lindemann and Gordon Warrick. Friends Members: Jan Alvarez, Jennifer Brewer, Bill and Peg Briney, Sue Chianta, Betty Easley, Juliana Halvorson, Jan Howland, Laura Howland, Cecil Kimberlin, Dixie Kruse, Jim Masters, Billie Marlatt, Steve Marshall, Rene McCoy, Jim Montgomery, Trish Sanchez, Bill Siders and Diane Wartman. Volunteers: Brianne bell, Clarissa Esquibel, Ashley Flores, Bill and Susie Flynt, Jerry Geoff, Josh Gonzales, Pam Gonzales, Mary Jane Hernandez, Melaina Hernandez, Vernie Hiatt, Tom Hiatt, Christina Lopez, NMMI Cadets, David Powell, Melissa Silva, E.F. Wade and Joanna Wade. Organizations: Berrendo Volunteer Fire Department, Bosque del Apache NWR, Dexter National Fish Hatchery, Guadalupe National Park, Lincoln National Forest, Living Desert State Park, Rio Grande Zoo, City of Roswell, Roswell Parks and Recreation, Roswell Yucca Center, Sevilleta NWR, Pioneer Bank, Roswell National Bank, Bank of the Southwest, Fairfield Inn, Hampton Inn, Farmer's Country Market (North) and Wal-Mart.**

**We apologize if we have left out any volunteers.**