

**Dear Friend:**

**Many people think of the Tropical Audubon Society solely as a birdwatching club, but we are so much more!** Everyone loves a day of enjoying nature, and providing opportunities to the public to get out and delight in the local flora and fauna is central to our mission, but our vision is so much bigger. By fighting for the protection of the natural environment in Miami-Dade County, we bridge the gap between enjoying nature and ensuring its sustainability for future generations.

**How do your contributions help?**

- In 2006, TAS was instrumental in guiding the development of Everglades Restoration projects to achieve ecological benefits for the unique wildlife and habitats of the Everglades and Biscayne Bay. Two of those projects are scheduled to break ground in Miami-Dade County in 2007 and TAS will be there to ensure successful implementation.
- In 2006, TAS helped to defeat one huge Development of Regional Impact in western Miami-Dade County that would have destroyed 850 acres of open space. In 2007, we will continue our opposition to two other huge proposed Developments of Regional Impact that threaten to convert open lands.
- In 2006, we lead the fight to keep the Urban Development Boundary intact through the Hold the Line Campaign which resulted in the protection of more than 700 acres of open space.

**Over 1,500 acres of open space, agricultural fields and environmental lands were spared from development this year due to our advocacy. That's a lot of land you helped to protect by making an investment in TAS!**

**Help us maintain our presence – make a generous year-end tax-deductible contribution! Every dollar you donate will stay in Miami-Dade County to help with our local conservation efforts.** Your contribution will also allow us to: continue our many nature tours and educational lecture programs; produce and distribute our bi-monthly newsletter; and help us continue to restore the historic Doc Thomas House and Botanical Garden which both suffered significant damage during the 2005 hurricane season.

**There are even more ways to support TAS!** You can also support us by doing your on-line holiday shopping using our Amazon.com link on our website ([www.tropicalaudubon.org](http://www.tropicalaudubon.org)), proceeds from every purchase you make using the link come back to us. While you are on the website, check out our newest fundraising trip to Panama. It's a great way to have fun, see some incredible sights, and add to your birding life-lists. **You can also use our website to make your contribution through our secure on-line donation page.**

**As always, we wish you a joyous holiday season and a peaceful new year,  
Your Friends at the Tropical Audubon Society**

**Yes! I want to become a donor to the Tropical Audubon Society (check one or specify any other amount below):**

- \_\_\_\_\_ \$50 White-crowned Pigeon (Special recognition in the TAS Bulletin)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$100 Painted Bunting (Pigeon benefits & a certificate for a free plant at a TAS plant sale)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$250 Purple Gallinule (Bunting benefits & a TAS baseball cap)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$500 Great White Heron (Gallinule benefits & a lunch briefing with TAS & 1 year free membership)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$1000 Roseate Spoonbill (Heron benefits & a tour to the Everglades & 2 years free membership)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$5000 Swallow-tailed Kite (Spoonbill benefits & a private group tour & 3 years free membership)

I am enclosing \$ \_\_\_\_\_. My check is enclosed and made payable to the Tropical Audubon Society

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Donor Level: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please charge my MC or Visa Number \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Spread my contributions over a year with automatic monthly credit card debits (available for donors at or above \$500).