

Crab Lines



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Dear Friends of the Estuary,

We are happy to inform you that the BTNEP fishing and bird calendars are now available at the BTNEP program office...and we they are still available to you at no charge! This year's calendars are outstanding and are still in high demand. ConocoPhillips printed the BTNEP Birding Calendar for us and McMoRan Exploration Co. helped to fund the printing of the BTNEP Tidal Graph calendar. We are very grateful to these corporate partners for their generosity and because of their assistance we were able to increase the number available for distribution to more friends of the BTNEP.

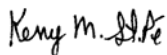
The 2007 BTNEP Louisiana Bird Calendar is titled "*Wings over the Wetlands – Louisiana's Waders.*" This calendar will introduce you to some of the most graceful birds in our estuary. There are numerous contributed photos inside, including pictures of the White Ibis, the Roseate Spoonbill, the Great Blue Heron and many other wonderful wading birds adapted for life along Louisiana's shallow water areas.

The BTNEP 2007 Tidal Graph Calendar is a wonderful resource for fisherman throughout the estuary. This calendar will help you find the best time to fish your favorite locations. This year's front cover shows an extraordinary historic fishing trip from 1952. Dean Blanchard, BTNEP Habitat Enhancement Coordinator can share the details of the remarkable trip with you (his grandfather is one of the gentleman in the photo). You can use this calendar to also teach your friends and neighbors about the current issues and activities in our estuary. You can learn about cypress swamps, inshore artificial reefs, barrier islands and the "mother of all fishing rodeo months."

This year we are asking you to help us with distribution in order to keep the cost of postage down. So stop by the program office on the Nicholls Campus, pick up a few calendars and share!

We are always truly appreciative of your support and well wishes for the efforts of the Barataria-Terrebonne National Estuary Program and may you all have the best and happiest of new years.

With warm regards,



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