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CMNA October newsletter highlighting our outreach intentions, interesting fall conferences and volunteer opportunities.


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Every year the [South Carolina Marine Educators Association](#) organizes a conference to highlight current trends in marine education. Conference highlights include: keynote speakers, break-out sessions, field trips, and exciting social events.



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Dear Coastal Master Naturalists,

I trust the beautiful, golden light and cooler air of autumn are beckoning you outside to explore and enjoy nature in all its incredible bounty here in the Lowcountry. Another class of Master Naturalists is engrossed in the delicious fun we all experienced while earning this designation. Wouldn't it be great to be able to do it all again?

Recapturing that fun through continued learning and service is what our association is all about. We have spent the past nine months putting systems in place to simplify staying in touch through fieldtrip and volunteer opportunities and are looking forward to our General Membership Meeting on January 12th 2014 from 2-5pm. In the meantime I wanted to make you all aware of the types of communications you may find in your inbox! Click on the blue links for examples.

- This newsletter will arrive periodically through [Mail Chimp](#)
- Notifications of events, lectures and fieldtrips will arrive through [SignUp Genius](#) which you should have already received several times but may have deleted as spam. It's legit!

Awendaw SC is looking for volunteers for this fall's [Wood Magic Forest Fair \(WMFF\)](#) which is an environmental education program for 4th graders on November 6th – 8th.

To conduct these programs they need approximately 30 volunteers each day to serve as guides, instructors, and helpers. Each volunteer is given a t-shirt, lunch, and the satisfaction that they have helped provide the youth of our state an important pro-forestry experience.



The Coastal Master Naturalist Association promotes awareness and citizen stewardship for South Carolina's natural resources through science-based education and community service.



## Dewees Island Field Trip

Thursday October

- Notifications when something really special like a blog post written by a fellow Master Naturalist gets put up on our website [coastalmasternaturalists.org](http://coastalmasternaturalists.org)
- Notifications on [Facebook](#) will include CMNA and/or other organizations' postings we think could be of interest for continued education or volunteer opportunities

I look forward to seeing you all again and enjoying learning more about this marvelous place we call home, together.

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## [Carolina Butterfly Society 2013 Symposium](#)

Charles Towne Landing  
State Historic Site

1500 Old Town Road,  
Charleston, SC 29047

Saturday, October 5 –  
9:00AM-4:00PM



Join [Clemson Extension](#), [Magnolia Plantation & Gardens](#) and [Natural Directions Tree Care Company](#) for an evening

rooted in learning to grow beautiful landscape trees. Magnolia Gardens offers examples of many beautiful, mature landscape trees.

**17:** Shorebird count and more! We'll leave EARLY in the morning (6:45 from Isle of Palms.) Don't want to come that early? You can stay in a suite on the island! [Read More details here on the website.](#) [Sign up here.](#)



## Sierra Club Dolphin Program

This Thursday, October 3, 7:00 pm, "Dolphins as Sentinels for Human Health", is the topic for our Sierra Club meeting at the Baruch Auditorium on 284 Calhoun Street. [For more information, click here.](#)

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