



We hope you are enjoying the holiday season (even if the weather has been a bit brisk)! As 2009 comes to a close, we would like to wish you a **happy, healthy, and prosperous new year.**

Remember, you have until 11:59 pm December 31 to make a year-end tax deductible donation to SSCW! [Click here](#) to make an on-line donation. Thank you so much if you have already donated.

Please consider joining us for the upcoming **Winter Waterfowl Identification Session** described below.

Ever wonder About the Winter Waterbirds of Salem Sound?



Winter Waterfowl Identification Training Session

Saturday, January 9, 9-11 am
(novices are welcome)

The waters of Salem Sound become the winter residence for a variety of ducks and geese. In Salem Harbor alone, nearly 1000 birds and 20 different species were counted during the winter waterfowl survey SSCW conducted last November.

In response to the considerable interest generated by the survey, SSCW is pleased to offer a lesson in identifying these birds.

Several seasoned birders will be helping with this session which is being led by Jan Smith who travels the world in search of birds.

RSVP Required! 978-741-7900 or info@salemsound.org.

Meet at Salem's Winter Island, near the gazebo at the water's edge, off the large parking lot. Please bring binoculars, a notebook and a bird book if you have them. SSCW will also have a variety of bird books available at the session. The weather date will be the following day - Sunday, January 10 - same time and place.

In closing, we once again wish you a Happy New Year!

Barbara Warren, Executive Director

Susan Yochelson, Outreach Coordinator

PS-- Be sure to support SSCW's efforts to clean up our coastal waters by [clicking here](#).