

Mississippi Museum of Natural Science "First Tuesday" Lecture Series



“On the Brink in Mississippi”

May 4, 2010 from 12NOON - 1PM

SPEAKER: Scott G. Hereford
Supervisory Wildlife Biologist, Mississippi Sandhill
Crane National Wildlife Refuge, Gautier

Scott Hereford, senior biologist at the Mississippi Sandhill Crane National Wildlife Refuge, crane specialist and the authority on these cranes, will talk about efforts underway to save this fascinating part of our state's wildlife heritage. Our endangered Mississippi Sandhill Cranes are one of the rarest bird populations in North America. It was recognized as a distinct subspecies in 1972 and listed as endangered in 1973. This Refuge was the first one established under the Endangered Species Act and protects the unique, species-rich wet pine savanna which is home to our Mississippi Sandhill Crane population.