

### **Carol Hansen - Nature Photography**

The photos all feature pictures of Sea Turtles and Hatchlings. In addition there are mugs, mousepads, magnets, postcards, calendars and onesies all adorned with pictures of Sea Turtles. There are also educational pamphlets from the Sea Turtle Preservation Society.

*Website* [www.NaturePhotosbyCarol.com](http://www.NaturePhotosbyCarol.com)

### **Coastal Bend Bays & Estuaries Program**

The Coastal Bend Bays & Estuaries Program is dedicated to protecting our bays and estuaries while supporting continued economic growth and public use of the bays.

*Website* [www.cbbep.org](http://www.cbbep.org)

*Facebook* [www.facebook.com/CBBEP](http://www.facebook.com/CBBEP)

*Instagram* @cbbep

### **Friends of the Animal Rehabilitation Keep (ARK)**

Friends of the ARK, Inc. is a non-profit Texas corporation organized exclusively for the prevention of cruelty to animals. The purpose of Friends of the ARK: to raise funds for the rescue of injured, sick and abused wildlife that will be rehabilitated, maintained and released back to their natural wildlife habitat or other licensed facility; and to raise public awareness through educational outreach programs.

*Website* [www.friendsoftheark.org](http://www.friendsoftheark.org)

*Facebook* [www.facebook.com/ARKWildlifeRehab](http://www.facebook.com/ARKWildlifeRehab)

*Instagram* @arkwildliferehab

### **Gulf Center for Sea Turtle Research**

The Gulf Center for Sea Turtle Research was created to address the data gaps and research needs to conserve sea turtles in Texas, the western Gulf and throughout the Gulf of Mexico. The Center seeks to organize sea turtle biologists in the region and speak with one voice to attract attention, and funding, for sea turtle research activities and conservation priorities that will protect sea turtle populations and their vital habitats from the beaches to the ocean. The Center's purpose is to create collaborative relationships with other sea turtle researchers, and sea turtle research entities across the Gulf of Mexico and to positively benefit undergraduate students, graduate students, early career scientists, as well as the citizens of Texas. It is a partnership of Texas A&M University, the National Park Service, Texas Parks and Wildlife and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The Gulf Center for Sea Turtle Research will serve as a platform that will attract scientists from academia, industry, state and federal agencies, as well as internationally, who will contribute to finding solutions to the threats that sea turtles face today.

*Website* [www.tamug.edu/GulfCenterforSeaTurtleResearch](http://www.tamug.edu/GulfCenterforSeaTurtleResearch)

*Instagram* GulfCenterforSeaTurtleResearch

*Twitter* @seaturtlecenter

### **Harte Research Institute for Gulf of Mexico Studies**

The Harte Research Institute is set apart by its use of the "HRI Model", a unique interdisciplinary way of working that integrates our science with economic, policy and sociological expertise. While our solutions are science-driven, the challenges facing the Gulf of Mexico can't be solved by science working alone. HRI scientists are encouraged to think broadly and pursue partnerships to create lasting solutions.

*Website* [www.hartheresearchinstitute.org](http://www.hartheresearchinstitute.org)

*Facebook* [www.facebook.com/harteresearch](http://www.facebook.com/harteresearch)

*Instagram* @hartheresearch

*Twitter* @hartheresearch

### **Lotek**

Advancing Wildlife Science: specializing in the design and manufacturing of biotelemetry and biologging products for tracking wildlife and understanding their spatial ecology.

*Website* [www.lotek.com](http://www.lotek.com)

*Facebook* [www.facebook.com/lotekwireless](http://www.facebook.com/lotekwireless)

*Twitter* @LotekWireless

### **MDS Incorporated**

MDS Incorporated is a family-owned business that has been providing the animal health industry with cutting-edge endoscopy equipment since 1972. Our number one purpose is to enhance the lives of the animals through endoscopy and related equipment. Please stop by the booth for a live demonstration.

*Website* [www.mdsvet.com](http://www.mdsvet.com)

### **Mission-Aransas National Estuarine Research Reserve**

We are a research and education program geared towards estuaries and the protection of natural habitats.

*Website* [www.MissionAransas.org](http://www.MissionAransas.org)

*Facebook* [www.facebook.com/manerr](http://www.facebook.com/manerr)

*Twitter* @MissionAransas

### **Nesting Safe Inc**

Nesting Safe provides tools to monitor turtle nesting events to predict where and when hatchlings will emerge.

*Website* [www.nestingsafe.com](http://www.nestingsafe.com)

*Facebook* [www.facebook.com/turtlenestingsafe](http://www.facebook.com/turtlenestingsafe)

### **Padre Island National Seashore**

Padre Island National Seashore is the longest stretch of undeveloped barrier island in the world. In addition to its 70 miles of protected coastline, other important ecosystems abound, including rare coastal prairie, a complex and dynamic dune system, wind tidal flats teeming with life, and the Laguna Madre, one of the few hypersaline lagoon environments left in the world.

Also of significant concern at Padre Island National Seashore is the Kemp's ridley sea turtle, the most endangered sea turtle species in the world, which nests on the beach from April through mid-July. All five of the sea turtle species found in the Gulf of Mexico find something they need at the park and in its adjacent waters. Kemp's ridley sea turtles nest here more than at any other location in the U.S. Juvenile green sea turtles live in the waters here year-round, and adults nest on Padre Island in low numbers. The Division of Sea Turtle Science and Recovery, the only division of its kind in the National Park Service, works to monitor and protect these animals.

*Website* [www.nps.gov/pais](http://www.nps.gov/pais)

*Facebook* [www.facebook.com/nps.pais.seaturtles](https://www.facebook.com/nps.pais.seaturtles)

### **Sea Turtle Conservancy**

Founded in 1959, the Sea Turtle Conservancy (STC) is the oldest sea turtle conservation organization in the world. Headquartered in Gainesville, Florida, STC is dedicated to protecting sea turtles through research, training, advocacy, education and the protection of habitats. STC will offer free educational materials and have a wide selection of sea turtle related merchandise for sale.

*Website* [www.conserveturtles.org](http://www.conserveturtles.org)

*Facebook* [www.facebook.com/conserveturtles](https://www.facebook.com/conserveturtles)

*Instagram* @conserveturtles

*Twitter* @conserveturtles

### **Sea Turtle, Inc.**

Sea Turtle Inc. is a non-profit organization located on South Padre Island, Texas with a 3-tier mission: 1) to rescue and rehabilitate sick or injured sea turtles, 2) to educate the general public about sea turtles and the threats they face, and 3) to conserve all sea turtle species through applied field conservation.

*Website* [www.seaturtleinc.org](http://www.seaturtleinc.org)

*Facebook* [www.facebook.com/SeaTurtleConservation](https://www.facebook.com/SeaTurtleConservation)

*Instagram* @seaturtleinctx

### **Southeast Regional Sea Turtle Network**

For years, there has been a need for a formal venue in which researchers from the southeastern region of the United States could share their research findings of sea turtle activities. In 2009, a group of scientists and volunteers came together for this reason and in 2011, the Southeast Regional Sea Turtle Network (SERSTN) was created. SERSTN aims to offer a biennial scientific meeting that is open to volunteers, students, and professional researchers that provides a friendly, non-intimidating atmosphere, while at the same time presenting sound scientific studies.

*Website* [www.serstn.org](http://www.serstn.org)

*Facebook* [www.facebook.com/SoutheastRegionalSeaTurtleNetwork](http://www.facebook.com/SoutheastRegionalSeaTurtleNetwork)

*Instagram* @SERSTN

*Twitter* @SERSTM\_2020

### **St. Croix Leatherback Project - Sea Turtle Census**

The St. Croix Leatherback Project has been monitoring leatherback sea turtles at Sandy Point National Wildlife Refuge for over 40 years. In cooperation with the US Fish and Wildlife Service, the Sea Turtle Census at The Ocean Foundation helps manage the nesting season and provides support for young conservationists, often in their first field work with turtles. To raise funds to support our volunteers so they have zero expenses during our 16 week program, we have project t-shirts, project stickers, Buff field headbands, and handmade crafts made by our volunteers, available to you. Please stop by!

*Website* [www.SeaTurtleCensus.com](http://www.SeaTurtleCensus.com)

*Facebook* [www.facebook.com/stxleatherbacks](http://www.facebook.com/stxleatherbacks)

*Instagram* @stxturtles

### **Student Conservation Association**

Founded in 1957, SCA is the nation's leading youth conservation service organization, providing young people with opportunities to serve nature and to shape their futures. Through programs that mirror the diversity of the U.S. population, SCA strives for a world in which conserving the environment is a lifelong commitment shared by all young people as they enter their careers and assume the responsibilities of citizenship. By empowering young people through hands-on service to the land, participants come to understand that work that benefits other people, the natural environment, our community or the world, is what unites us as a society.

*Website* [www.thesca.org](http://www.thesca.org)

### **Texas Sea Grant**

The Texas Sea Grant College Program is dedicated to the understanding, wise use and stewardship of the state's coastal and marine resources. Texas Sea Grant is a unique partnership that unites the resources of the federal government, the State of Texas and universities across the state to create knowledge, tools, products and services that benefit the economy, the environment and the citizens of Texas.

*Website* [www.texasseagrant.org](http://www.texasseagrant.org)

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### **The Leatherback Trust**

The Leatherback Trust is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization founded in 2000 by turtle biologists Dr. Frank V. Paladino and Dr. James R. Spotila. Our mission is to save leatherbacks and other endangered sea turtles from extinction. In the 1990s, the TLT founders worked with the government of Costa Rica to establish Las Baulas National Marine Park at one of the vital nesting beaches for East Pacific leatherbacks in Playa Grande, Guanacaste. To this day, TLT continues to be one of the closest collaborators of the administration of the Park. Currently, The Leatherback Trust runs research and conservation projects on Playa Grande and Cabuyal, and studies threats to the survival of sea turtles, including bycatch and climate change. TLT has one of the longest scientific datasets for East Pacific leatherbacks and has produced over 100 scientific publications. We also conduct outreach and educational activities and partner with local communities, governments and all stakeholders for the implementation of conservation policies.

*Website* [www.leatherback.org](http://www.leatherback.org)

*Facebook* [www.facebook.com/leatherbacktrust](http://www.facebook.com/leatherbacktrust)

### **The Turtle Lady Legacy**

Wherever and whenever possible, The Turtle Lady Legacy strives to make the public aware of the Kemp's ridley sea turtles and their precarious hold on survival as a species. Thanks to Ila Loetscher and others, the number of sea turtles in the Gulf of Mexico have increased but there's still a long way to go before they are no longer an endangered species.

Over the years, The Turtle Lady Legacy has provided presentations about Ila Loetscher and sea turtle conservation to the community as well as educational programs for children at local schools, libraries, and museums in South Padre Island and Port Isabel, Texas.

*Website* [www.theturtleladylegacy.org](http://www.theturtleladylegacy.org)

### **U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFW) Ecological Services (Corpus Christi)**

Over an area of 68 counties along coastal Texas, our offices work to protect federally listed threatened and endangered species as well as federal trust resources such as wetlands, migratory birds, and interjurisdictional fish.

*Website* [www.fws.gov/southwest/es/TexasCoastal](http://www.fws.gov/southwest/es/TexasCoastal)

### **Western National Parks Association Bookstore at Padre Island National Seashore**

Western National Parks Association (WNPA) is a nonprofit education partner of the National Park Service. WNPA supports more than 70 parks across the West, developing products, services, and programs that enrich the visitor experience. At Padre Island National Seashore we have been actively supporting the Sea Turtle Recovery Program since 1999 and support the park in preserving and protecting all of the Seashore's resources. In partnership with the National Park Service since 1938, WNPA advances education, interpretation, research, and community engagement to ensure national parks are increasingly valued by all.

*Website* [www.wnpa.org](http://www.wnpa.org)

*Facebook* [www.facebook.com/Western.National.Parks.Association](http://www.facebook.com/Western.National.Parks.Association)

*Instagram* [@wnpa\\_1938](https://www.instagram.com/wnpa_1938)

*Twitter* [@wnpa1938](https://twitter.com/wnpa1938)

### **Wildlife Computers**

Wildlife Computers is the leading provider of advanced wildlife telemetry solutions. Propelled by its mission to promote the sustainable use of our global environment, Wildlife Computers creates the most innovative marine technologies that empower data-driven decisions. Wildlife Computers provides unique consultative services, an unsurpassed commitment to quality, and impeccable customer service to get you the data you need when you need it. Learn more at [WildlifeComputers.com](http://WildlifeComputers.com)

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