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3rd Annual Raptor Day in Memory of Rod Ash

By Nancy Zapotocki, Conservation Educator

On beautiful and sunny Saturday September 12, over 200 people from the community gathered at Lone Pine State Park for the 3rd Annual Raptor Day in Memory of Rod Ash. The event commemorated Rod's life and contributions to conservation and education. It was also a day to enjoy and learn more about the birds found in northwestern Montana, with a special emphasis on raptors. The festivities began with an "Early-risers" Bird Walk led by Ben Young, Board Member with Flathead Audubon, followed by a Family Bird Walk and Scavenger Hunt by Ansley Ford, Board Member and Education Committee Co-Chair. Fourteen adults and children explored nearby trails in search of birds and bird signs.

Educational Booths were on display with natural history information and children's activities, from Flathead Audubon, Lone Pine State Park, Flathead Conservation District, US Forest Service and Wildlife Return. Children (and adults!) were making "flying birds" and origami animals, investigating owl pellets and coloring raptor drawings.

Brent Mitchell opened the afternoon presentations by introducing June Ash and saying a few words in memory of Rod Ash. Rod passed away in 2006, but left a legacy that will impact Montana's wildlife, forests and land for many years to come. In her welcoming comments for Raptor Day this year, June reminded us

to be "aware, alert, respectful and responsible." Good advice for conservation of our natural resources and our communities!

The afternoon presentations were well attended with a total of 140 participating. Matt Seidensticker from The University of Montana and the Owl Research Institute offered an interesting workshop on "Bird Banding," sharing his knowledge of bird banding and the technical equipment used in the field to track birds. He held up the bands for a hummingbird and ones for an eagle; the difference was quite impressive! Dan Casey from the American Bird Conservancy followed with a presentation on "Hawks in All Seasons," which included a 2008 data summary and the beginning data for 2009 from the Hawk Watch site at Jewel Basin. From August 30 to September 11, there were already 379 raptors counted! Byron Crow from the Montana Raptor Institute for Research and Education and Lynn Vaught from Wildlife Return ended the day with a talk on "Peregrine Falcons," with Morticia, the Peregrine, demonstrating the characteristics of the species. Lynn also brought Owen, the Saw-whet owl, much to the delight of attendees.

Sponsored by Lone Pine State Park and Flathead Audubon and funded in part by Art Ortenberg, the 3rd Annual Raptor Day in memory of Rod Ash was a tribute to Rod, as well as a celebration of our fellow wildlife creatures. *Thanks to all who participated!!*



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OCTOBER FLATHEAD AUDUBON CALENDAR

Monday, October 12, 2009: Flathead Audubon General Meeting. 7 PM, The Summit, Conference Room 3. Program on Wetlands in the Flathead Valley. See page 3.

Monday, October 5, 2009: Flathead Audubon Board of Directors Meeting. 6 PM at 295 Third Ave. E.N. All are welcome.

BIRD OF THE MONTH

By Melissa Sladek

The Great Gray Ghosts of the North

One dark, cloudy, fall morning I took a stroll through the forest. My dog and I favor a piece of state land that, other than taking some effort to get to, is full of trails and woods, a perfect place for a pair of explorers like us. The day was similar to many others we had enjoyed in this dark forest of grand fir, Douglas fir, and cedar trees. Yet, the day seemed different. Perhaps it was the massive clouds pressing down from above, or maybe it was the late fall chill in the air, but somehow the day seemed more mysterious...full of anticipation and suspense.

As we stepped into the forest, the air grew dense and the forest became unusually quiet, like all the forest critters had vanished in anticipation of something to come. The feeling quickened my steps, bringing me to a smaller, grass-covered trail that left the main one and headed toward an open clearing in the forest where, almost magically, the forest opens up to a large meadow full of tall grasses and horsetails. The first time I walked there I couldn't figure out why such an opening existed in such an otherwise thick forest. The mystery ended as I took a few steps and my shoes begin to sink into a quagmire of mud and water. Trees don't grow well in a bog.

The bog is covered with vegetation and is hard to see during the dry fall months. Old logs are strewn around the area and surrounding the clearing, stand several old snags, or standing dead trees. It is a rich habitat, full of life.

I had noticed a snag across the forest clearing. But it wasn't the snag that caught my eye this time. It was the creature perched on top...a massive gray figure staring directly at me. I was too far away to see it clearly so I leashed my dog and took careful, measured steps toward the snag.

We walked a few steps and stopped; the bird did not stir. A few steps more and still the bird sat. A little closer and the owl's neck stretched up. Its eyes showed its annoyance at our presence. I knew the right thing to do was to turn around, to leave the owl in peace. But I wanted to know what it was and although I felt quite certain it was the owl I had been longing to see, I had to be sure. A few more steps and the owl's eyes intensified, looking at me with anger. Then in one surreal moment, it seemed to heave itself off the snag, spread its massive wings, and without a sound, flew directly over me. An enormous Great Gray Owl flying literally above me!

I ran home, my dog not understanding why we cut our walk short. I took out my bird books and powered up the computer. I had always wanted to see

a Great Gray but realized I didn't know much about them. I never anticipated running into one in a commonly used forest in my backyard.

The Great Gray Owl, *Strix nebulosa*, is the largest *Strix* in North America with a length of 24-33 inches and wingspan of up to 60 inches. Although one of the world's largest owls, it appears more massive because of its bulky plumage. Amazingly, its actual body mass is at least 15% smaller than the Great Horned Owl but its fluffy plumage, long tail, and immense head give it a much larger appearance.



Great Gray Owls have largely dark gray plumage interspersed with bars and flecks of light grey and white. The owl's head consists of six or more heavily ringed facial disks, a yellow bill with a black patch below it, and a noticeable white "moustache" strip under the facial disks. Its bright yellow eyes appear small compared to its large head. Its legs are fully feathered.

The owl is incredibly large, yet is silent when flying. Also called the Great Gray Ghost, it has slow, deep, moth-like wing beats that allow it to fly without a sound but remain maneuverable in flight. It is even capable of flying between tightly packed trees.

The Great Gray Ghost, primarily nocturnal, will hunt in daylight, especially when nesting. Its main diet consists of voles and pocket gophers, but it also eats short-tailed weasels, snowshoe hares, and sharp-shinned hawks. From a perch listening and looking for activity below, the owl's asymmetrical ear openings allow it to detect its prey by sound alone and incredibly, it can hear, plunge, and grab prey from under the snow at depths of up to 15 inches.

Research led me to understand that this bog in a northern forest is exactly the habitat the Great Gray favors. Its range extends from boreal forests and wooded bogs in the far north to dense coniferous forests with montane meadows farther south in the Northern Rockies and Sierra Mountains.

Great Grays can become somewhat "tame" toward humans in the winter since they are concentrating on finding food...or perhaps its look of annoyance was real and I had ruined its morning hunt.

Either way, I felt sorry I had disturbed it, but also amazingly lucky that I had not only stood before it but also was directly underneath its massive, yet silent wings. The only thing that I missed was hearing its deep booming voice calling in a series of low, evenly spaced "hoos." But then, there's always next time. After all, the forest and bog are just a hop, skip, and a scramble away!

October 2009 Program

WETLANDS IN THE FLATHEAD VALLEY: TYPES AND ECOLOGICAL VALUE

Amy Chadwick will present *Wetlands in the Flathead Valley: Types and Ecological Value* at the October meeting of Flathead Audubon. This presentation describes wetlands in the Flathead area and summarizes the ways in which wetland scientists describe wetlands. The presentation continues with a summary of ecological values of wetlands, focusing on their value to birds and other wildlife, and what we need to do to protect these important areas.

Amy is a Partner and the Senior Wetland Scientist at Watershed Consulting, an environmental consulting company based out of Missoula, Montana. She began studying wetlands in Montana in 1997 during her graduate studies at the University of Montana and later as a project manager for the Riparian and Wetland Research Program at the U of M. She has 14 years of experience in ecological assessment and restoration, and works with wetlands and stream systems throughout western and central Montana and northern Idaho.

Nancy Zapotocki, Flathead Audubon Conservation Educator, will share the related *Wetlands and Riparian Areas* Conservation Education Trunk that was developed in partnership with the Flathead Conservation District, with partial funding by the MT Department of Environmental Quality. She will also showcase a sampling of some of the other Traveling Trunks for Conservation Education.

Please join us on Monday, October 12 at 7:00 PM in the Community Room of The Summit at 205 Sunnyview Lane in Kalispell. Everyone is welcome.

**JOIN YOUR LOCAL AUDUBON CHAPTER!!**

Six years ago we announced a new category of membership, a membership in Flathead Audubon Society. 215 families are current members of FAS. The Board of Directors decided on a Basic Membership fee of \$20. This amount will still not cover special programs such as Owen Sowerwine and our education program. To begin to cover these expenses, the Board has decided to offer a Supporting Membership at \$35. We encourage all who are able to subscribe to the supporting membership.

You can still join National Audubon, of course. Your membership fee will support National's many excellent nationwide education and conservation programs **but you will not be supporting the local chapter.** With a National membership, you receive the Audubon magazine and the Flathead Audubon monthly newsletter. National Audubon fee is \$20 for first-time members (\$15 for Seniors and Students), then \$35 to renew after that.

We strongly suggest that you join Flathead Audubon and then choose either to join National Audubon or not. Without local memberships, the chapter will have to reduce its programs in the future.

Over the years, Flathead Audubon has been well supported by valley residents through donations and activities such as our annual seed sale and auctions. We hope this support will continue in the future and be supplemented by a large group of local chapter members.

Our memberships now all renew in October. All memberships except those made after April 2009 must be renewed now. Without renewal, you will not receive *The Pileated Post*. We really need support this year because we have doubled our budget for education activities. Please include your e-mail address so we can contact you when special events come up, especially during the summer.



Use the form on the back page to join now!

Mike Fanning, Membership Chair



The new, updated "Birding Hotspots of the Flathead" brochures are now available at FAS meetings!

3rd Annual Sunflower Seed Sale

FAS is again partnering with WBC (Western Building Centers), a locally owned and operated business for purchase of sunflower seeds. The Sunflower Seed Sale runs from October 1 through December 31. A portion of the profit from each bag sold will be donated to FAS. Purchase your sunflower seeds in 20-lb or 40-lb bags from WBC's four locations in Flathead Valley: Evergreen, Columbia Falls, Whitefish and south Kalispell.

This Seed Sale is one of Flathead Audubon's major fundraising events of the year and your support is needed to ensure our ongoing commitment to environmental and educational programs in the Flathead Valley. Be sure to thank these fine folks for their ongoing support of Flathead Audubon!

Mary Nelesen, Seed Sale Chairperson



LEE-WORDS



Welcome back to Flathead Audubon for 2009-10. It looks to be a great, but challenging, year ahead. We have some excellent programs already lined up for the rest of this year. There are also wonderful field trips to help Audubon members enjoy our birds. We've already started off well with a very successful Rod Ash Raptor Day in early September. Of course, part of the challenge is to keep these activities going. We have a couple of new Board members heading up committees ... Dick Kuhl is in charge of programs and Bill Schustrom is coordinating the field trips. Both of these guys are really energetic but would appreciate any suggestions and offers.

The really big challenge, as for most of us right now, is economic. Flathead Audubon has long been serious about our educational opportunities, and has contracted with Nancy Zapotocki as our Education Coordinator. Nancy has done a great job over the past couple of years, and we certainly expect great things in the future. However, this is an important financial obligation. We have had to change the dues structure this year, but this will not generate enough funds to cover this position. There are some fund-raising ideas in the works, but any new thoughts would be welcome as well.

So there are plenty of opportunities to get involved with Flathead Audubon ... these are just a few. I hope that you are looking forward to this year as much as I am.
 Bob Lee, FAS President

We can find happiness in protecting the world around us not only because we cherish it for its awesome beauty, power and mystery, but because we cherish our fellow humans, those who live today, and those who will live tomorrow. Jacques-Yves Cousteau

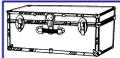
Have you looked at the Flathead Audubon website lately? You are in for a treat! There's lots of new material, pictures, and information. So power up and prepare to be entertained!

www.flatheadaudubon.org

BE THERE!

Education Committee Meetings scheduled at 4:30 to 5:30 PM at Colter Coffee in Kalispell:

- ◆ October 5, 2009
- ◆ February 1, 2010
- ◆ May 3, 2010



FREE Educational Trunk Workshop!

Please join us in exploring and learning about the Educational Trunks in the Flathead. The Trunks are available for loan to use in the classroom or with youth groups. The workshop will be held October 15, 2009, from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM at the Flathead National Forest Supervisor's Office/Tally Lake Ranger District Office, 650 Wolfpack Way, Kalispell, MT, near Glacier High School. A variety of Education Trunks will be on display and presented, including trunks on climate change, fire ecology, birds, wildlife, forestry and much more. PIR credit is available, as well as 6 OPI renewal units. Lunch is provided. Lots of hands-on opportunities with the trunks and items to take home with you. The workshop is sponsored by the Flathead Community of Resource Educators. Contact Laura Law at 888-5837 or email laura_law@nps.gov.

SPECIAL GIFTS

I wish to help make Flathead Audubon's vision a reality. Here is my contribution to the continued success of our chapter.

- Eagle Donation, \$1000
- Osprey Donation, \$500
- Snowy Owl Donation, \$250
- Merlin Donation, \$100
- Kestrel Donation, \$50
- My Own Vision, amount of my choice



Dave Menke, USFWS

The FAS activity which most interests me is:

- Education Programs
- Owen Sowerwine Natural Area
- Scholarships and Grants
- Field Trips and Outdoor Events

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The Answer, My Friend, is Blowin' in the Wind . . .

As the US pursues the goal of providing 20% of its electricity needs from wind energy by 2025, we must be especially aware of the impacts on birds and bats. Part of the puzzle involves finding ways to make wind technology more wildlife-friendly; another part consists of assuring that any proposed site for a wind farm is examined for potential biological impacts, well before facility design and construction take place. Our Montana Audubon lobbyist, Janet Ellis, is a leader in this field and worked tirelessly during the last legislature on behalf of a wind facility siting bill. Many scientific studies on all aspects of wind power are underway and the technology is advancing by leaps and bounds. This month's issue of *The Pileated Post* takes a look at some information on progress in the field of wind energy.

EXAMPLES OF NEWER WIND TURBINE DESIGN



Rooftop Mount



Horizontal Axis over Freeway



Vertical Axis

Scientists to Investigate Wind Power Impacts on Migratory Wildlife

Industry and conservation representatives set research priorities

Racine, WI & Ithaca, NY, July 23, 2009—Thirty top wildlife scientists have announced agreement on some of the highest research priorities to help America's rapidly growing wind energy industry produce much-needed alternative energy—while also providing safe passage for birds and bats. This coalition of scientists from industry, government, nongovernmental organizations, and universities met recently in Racine, Wisconsin, to address unanswered questions about how continued wind energy development will affect migrating birds and bats. The meeting was hosted by the [Cornell Lab of Ornithology](#), the [American Bird Conservancy](#), and the [The Johnson Foundation at Wingspread](#).

"It's critical we act now to understand the interactions between wind energy installations and birds and bats," said Dr. Michael Fry of the American Bird Conservancy.

"Billions of birds migrate annually, taking advantage of the same wind currents that are most beneficial for producing wind energy," said Dr. Andrew Farnsworth of the Cornell Lab of Ornithology. "We know that in some locations, a small percentage of wind turbines may cause the majority of bird and bat deaths. As wind power develops further, we need to know more about how placement, design, and operation impact birds and bats, as well as how habitat and weather conditions affect potential hazards."

The scientists addressed the critical information that could be collected using cutting-edge tools such as weather surveillance radar, thermal imaging, and microphones directed skyward to map migrations by day and night. New research will build upon monitoring and research studies of birds and bats before and after construction of existing wind energy facilities as well as work done by other researchers. The coalition appointed working groups to move this new research agenda forward. Top research priorities identified by the coalition include:



- ◆ Studying bird and bat behaviors and more accurately estimating mortality at existing wind turbines
- ◆ Using current and newly-obtained information on bird and bat population numbers and distributions to focus research on critically important migratory routes and timing
- ◆ Documenting how interactions of birds and bats with turbines are affected by factors such as weather, topography, and their distribution within airspace swept by wind turbine blades
- ◆ Establish standardized methods for pre- and post-construction studies of bird and bat behavior at wind facilities
- ◆ Conduct research on the best methods of mitigating the impacts of wind energy development on birds and bats

"Conducting this research will help the wind industry make informed, science-based decisions about where future wind energy projects can be built, and how they can be operated to minimize the impact on migrating wildlife, while still providing much-needed alternative energy," said Dr. John Fitzpatrick, director of the Cornell Lab of Ornithology. "It will also help flesh out specific guidelines for wind farm construction being developed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service."



A Wind Turbine That Does Not Chew Up Birds



One of the primary environmental drawbacks of the propeller wind turbines is that they kill birds. The tips of the blades spin much faster than the wind speed, chopping through the air sometimes at speeds of 200 mph and birds and bats generally just don't see them coming.



The new TMA vertical axis design flows with the wind, at the speed of the wind. "It looks like a building to the bird," said Ronald Taylor, COO of Terra Moya Aqua, Inc. "We've never seen a dead bird at our test site." Likely this is because birds normally don't fly into solid walls. Also, because of their lower speed, the TMA turbines produce much less noise than their propeller counterparts. The company has been able to secure permission to install their turbine in several California counties where propeller turbines are banned because of the known bird carnage. Apparently there is no data concerning impacts to bat populations. Another advantage, which is very important to many people, is that the device can be painted to better blend in with its environment. Not being chipped by wind-driven sand or other small fragments of matter, the paint will last longer. Because it stands much shorter, about half the height of a comparable propeller design, the visible impact on the landscape is much smaller as well. More information is available at <http://opensourceenergy.org/>.

From Bob Lee

Google Earth Project Informs Energy Planning by Highlighting Critical Sage Grouse Habitat



Audubon and the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) partnered with Google Earth to map wildlife zones in six states considered prime for wind turbines and transmission structures. The pilot program, launched April 1, 2008, allows policy makers, developers and the general public to explore western states. Maps researched by Kevin Doherty, Senior Ecologist for Audubon Wyoming, indicate clusters of density among Sage Grouse, already imperiled by habitat loss. Users can also explore Audubon's Important Bird Areas. "We want to build on this pilot to establish common ground and spread green energy opportunities across America," Audubon's John Flicker emphasized. "What we've really mapped is a better way to work together to let the wind fuel a healthier future for people and wildlife." More at www.audubon.org/sagebrush.html

10 Simple Steps to Reduce Global Warming Emissions:

1. Make sure all light bulbs, including desk lamps, are compact fluorescent or LED.
2. Buy or lease only Energy Star or highest energy efficiency office equipment.
3. Buy only recycled paper products.
4. Minimize use of disposable products of all kinds.
5. Adjust thermostat up a few degrees in summer and down a few degrees in winter.
6. Fix water leaks and install water-efficiency features where possible.
7. Switch to green power (electricity) and alternative fuel vehicles where available.
8. Instead of traveling, use conference calls or videoconferencing and email whenever possible.
9. Reduce travel by combining trips, carpooling, taking public transportation, walking, riding bicycles and telecommuting when appropriate.
10. Serve regionally and sustainably produced food and drinks whenever possible.



RECYCLING NEWS

Flathead Valley Community College will be collecting recyclables with Flathead Audubon again this year. All you have to do is save up your recyclables, put them in your trunk and drive past the white trailer at the west end of The Summit's north parking lot prior to the FAS general meeting. Right now, we can recycle all categories except glass. More info next month!

"Humankind has not woven the web of life. We are but one thread within it. Whatever we do to the web, we do to ourselves. All things are bound together. All things connect."
Chief Seattle



No! No! Don't tempt me! Keep your feeder empty until I go to sleep for the winter!

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Let's Learn More About.... **HOW TO IDENTIFY BIRDS**

Nancy Zapotocki, Conservation Educator

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What is that bird in your backyard? How can you tell? Here are some tips to help you identify the common birds in your neighborhood.

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What are the first things you notice? Its color. Its size. Its shape. Its beak.

Color: What colors do you see on the bird? Where are the colors located – tail, wings, breast, beak, head? If it has a red breast, could it be a Robin? Black top on its head, a Black-capped Chickadee?



Size: How big or small is the bird? Compare it to other birds. For example, is it bigger than a Robin? You can even estimate its size in inches from a distance.

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Shape: Is the bird plump? Does it have a long or short tail? Are the wings pointy or rounded?

How about the size and shape of its beak or bill – is it stout and short and made for cracking a seed, like a sparrow, or larger and hook-tipped like a hawk?



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How does the bird behave and where does it live? Does it live near water and is it swimming like a duck? Does it live in the trees and is it pecking on wood like a woodpecker?



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To help, use a pair of binoculars and a bird field guide and look more closely. You can use the things you noticed, like the color and shape, to help point you to the correct bird in your field guide. The field guide will also provide information like the name, habitat and song of each bird shown in the book. Join in a field trip with Flathead Audubon to learn from more experienced "birders." Go to www.flatheadaudubon.org. Attend Flathead Audubon's "Beauty of Birds" class in the Spring. Keep a list of the common birds in your backyard. Go out and have some fun learning about your neighborhood's feathered friends!

(References: *Peterson First Guides – Birds* by Roger Tory Peterson and *Taking Flight* by the Colorado Bird Observatory)



Coming in the next months - student authors research and write the Kidz Korner!!!



Bird Suet Recall

Due to the contaminated peanut recall, Scott's-MorningSong has recalled a number of suet cake products due to the possibility of the inclusion of salmonella contaminated peanuts. Salmonella can affect animals and there is risk to humans from handling contaminated bird seed and/or pet food products. To receive a refund for any of the recalled products you have purchased, contact them at 1-866-512-8876.

Scott-MorningSong has very detailed information on their website at <http://www.scotts.com/smg/brand/birdfood/birdfoodLanding.jsp>.



TRY MAKING YOUR OWN SUET!

HOMEMADE SUET

- 2 lbs Lard (do not substitute with shortening!)
- 6 c. Cornmeal
- 3 c. Wheat Flour
- 4 c. Oatmeal
- 2 c. Peanut Kernels (or substitute birdseed if you are wary of peanuts)

Soften the lard to room temperature. Combine remaining ingredients and stir them into the lard one cup at a time until mixture is very thick. Freeze in shapes that will fit into your suet feeder. You can also roll pine cones in the mixture and freeze.



"Keep a green tree in your heart and perhaps a singing bird will come." Chinese Proverb





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FLATHEAD AUDUBON SOCIETY



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- Supporting Membership \$35
(Extra \$15 funds local projects such as grants, scholarships, meetings, and Christmas Bird Count)
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- Owen Sowerwine Fund
- Wherever needed

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