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Your Help is Needed for the 2nd Annual Great Backyard Bird Count

On February 19-22, birders all over the United States and Canada will be counting birds in their backyards, local parks, or nearby natural areas for the 1999 Great Backyard Bird Count. The information gathered in this count will give an immense snapshot of late winter bird distributions throughout this continent, and set the benchmark for assessing North American bird populations in the new millennium.

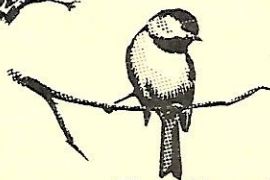
The National Audubon Society and the Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology have organized the Great Backyard Bird Count. When Audubon and Cornell Lab held the first GBBC last February, over 14,000 bird enthusiasts across North America reported over half a million birds. This allowed the Cornell Lab to compile maps displaying the whereabouts of America's birds over a three day period in February, and to begin a tremendous long-term scientific database that will reveal broad scale changes in bird populations into the next century.

Last year in the GBBC, only 35 species were reported in the whole state of Montana. Only one of these Montana counters reported seeing even a single White-breasted Nuthatch. Fewer than 20 observers submitted count data from our region of Montana. LET'S DO BETTER this year! With more observers, we can get a more accurate picture of our local bird populations into this database. And it is fun too.

YOU CAN HELP by counting birds in your backyard or nearby park or favorite birding spot! Here is how it works:

1. Pick one or more of the days in the count period to watch for birds.
2. An hour or more is even better -- watching for birds on each day you participate.
3. For each species of bird you see keep track of the highest number of individuals you observe at any one time.
4. For example, suppose you watch for birds in your yard on Feb. 20, and you see 2 Mountain Chickadees hanging around your feeder at 10 a.m. Then at 10:15 you see 3 Mountain Chickadees in your yard. But after that, only a solitary Mountain Chickadee shows up during the rest of the day. You record "3 Mountain Chickadees" for February 20.
5. If then 4 Mountain Chickadees show up together the next day, and no larger groups appear that day, you record "4 Mountain Chickadees" for Feb. 21, but still include "3 Mountain Chickadees" in your report for Feb 20.
6. Record the postal zip code of the area where you are counting. This is how they track of the location of your count.
7. Submit your data over the Internet at the GBBC web site:
<http://birdsource.tc.cornell.edu/gbbc>. If you do not have access to the Internet, send your report to Linda Winnie, PO Box 220, Kila, MT 59920. She will see that it gets submitted. Data must be received by the end of February.

Records of the count data from last year and maps summarizing the 1998 data are available on the GBBC web site. For more information on this year's count, check the GBBC web page or contact Linda Winnie (755-1406).



CHICKADEE CHATTER

The other night I happened to walk outside. We have had so many overcast days that it came as quite a shock, the vault of the sky was quite clear and the stars were shining brightly. I used to take short walks at night fairly regularly and had gotten out of the habit with the onset of winter. The night was fairly dark the moon had not put in an appearance and wouldn't until later. I gazed at the sky it had been a long time since I had seen Orion the Hunter, the Big Dipper and Cassiopeia the Queen, the Pleiades or the Seven Sisters (which is a bright star cluster in the constellation of Taurus the Bull) were all there to be seen.

Off in the bay there were ducks and geese talking and an owl made a comment. This night was so familiar, I remember, not so long ago, walking with someone I loved and looking up at the sky and in the bay the water birds were talking. We spent a lot of time star-gazing and bird listening. We seem to remember the times we spend with those we cherish more vividly. Since Valentines Day is in the month of February I thought it might be a nice time to reflect on the contributions to our lives that those we love and have loved have given to us.

The person I was referring to was my mother, I have many wonderful memories from the time I was small of stargazing and bird listening with her, my mother was a remarkable woman. We spent many days together in the embrace of the natural world. There are some days that stand out above all others. A day in early October, some years ago, we were in one of the Alpen Valleys of Switzerland. It was a beautiful sunny day and we had gone for a walk. She had been telling me of a day in her youth when she had walked in a similar place and had seen a field of blue Alpen Gentian. A flower the hue of, well I'm not sure how to describe it, a very remarkable azure blue. She was wishing she could see one again and as we walked along there in front of us we found a small patch of the flowers that had survived the cold nights and short days of fall in the mountains.

Another day that stands out in my memory is closer to home and not so long ago. We had been talking about driving up to Glacier National Park all summer, it was now late fall and I decided it was time. My mother

had to visit the doctor that day and afterwards instead of heading the car south I went north, with a quick stop to get some chocolate milkshakes. The day was mostly sunny with big puffy clouds and the fall colors were close to being over, there were leaves and needles all over the road on the way up to the Sun. There were very few people in the Park that day. We reached the summit and got out of the car, immediately that elusive smell of the high country made me catch my breath. It was one of those things we had talked about all year that wonderful smell. We started out along the boardwalk breathing and smiling, not another soul around to disturb the quiet. We saw two White-tailed Ptarmigan and watched them wander around the alpine tundra, they were partly white with their winter colors. We found an Explorer's gentian; not quite the same indescribable color of the one's in Switzerland but still a deep blue that stays in ones memory. Another very special day with one I loved, it was only a few months later that my mother left this world and I miss her very much. But I have those special memories that we make with those we love. I hope you, my readers, have a chance to make some special memories this Valentines Day. At the very least I hope you have a few moments to sit down and think about some of your special times with those you love.



Leslie Kehoe

FEBRUARY MEETING

Monday, February 8, 1999
Fish, Wildlife & Parks Building
490 N. Meridian Rd., Kalispell
Business Meeting starts at 5:15 PM
General Meeting starts at 7:30 PM

"Zero Cut?", a presentation by Jeanette Russell, on the growing campaign to end commercial logging on federal public forests. Russell will talk about why the campaign is being waged, and the ecological, economic and social implications of a zero cut policy. She will also report on legislation for zero cut that was introduced to Congress last year.

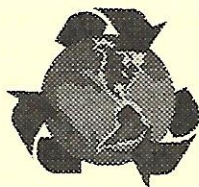
This will be a good chance to learn more about a very controversial issue. Russell will take questions and comments at the end of her presentation. The discussion could get pretty lively.



COMMUNITY COMPOSTING

***The average person, living 70 years, in the U.S. generates 50 tons of waste. In our current way of life, industry extracts resources from the Earth but does not return them. In nature, on the other hand, nutrients are used by vegetation and wildlife, and then when the flora and fauna die, they are decomposed in a form that revitalizes the soil. On the positive side, pressured by our population and excessive consumption rate, we have (more or less) successfully developed programs for precycling, recycling, and redesigning of packaging materials. Now it is also possible to take a further step that takes into account both our garbage dilemma and land fertility problems - and adapt community composting.**

***Community composting takes organic garbage from not only homes, but also restaurants and grocery stores (a segment that comprises 35% of the waste stream) and at a centralized composting facility converts the matter into compost that can be trucked to local lands, such as parks and recreational fields, and especially to degraded land alongside highways and mines.**



***Much land is in trouble from over-production, over-grazing, over-fertilization. Soil takes time to rebuild. Everyone wants sustainable agriculture, the problem is how to achieve it. Because compost acts as a catalyst that makes soil less vulnerable to erosion, hardness, and diseases, it offers a potential that we have yet to tap in helping solve agricultural problems.**

***Yellowstone Park has been slowly working toward the development of such a facility. National Audubon did a pilot program with Procter and Gamble and produced guidelines and models that are available for other communities to follow. Their emphasis was entirely on returning the processed organic wastes to the soil so that it would be safe for growing.**

***Community composting of organic materials from our schools, restaurants, groceries, etc. would go a long way toward installing a much-needed economy of conservation. At the very least, we can develop the practice of composting our organic wastes in our own backyards. (Find books in the library for instruction on methods that do not attract animals.)**

- Valerie Harms is a member of the Population/Habitat Committee as well as the Sacajawea Audubon Chapter and Board.

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Montana Audubon Annual Meeting

The date for the annual meeting of Montana Audubon has been changed to April 23 and 24, 1999. The meeting will be at the City Hall in downtown Hamilton.

A block of ten rooms each has been reserved under "Audubon" at the City Center Hotel and Deffy's Motel. Both are approximately \$32 per night and are within short walking distance from City Hall. To make a reservation, call 363-1651 (City Center) and 363-1244 (Deffy's).

Sunflower Seed Available

Getting a little short on birdseed for you feathered friends? Flathead Audubon still has a number sacks left of Montana grown sunflower seeds available. In the Bigfork area call Neil and Pattie Brown at 837-5018, in Kalispell call Bill Breen at 755-2142, in Whitefish call Vi Starks at 862-2028 and in Condon you may contact Rod & June Ash at 754-2289. They will also be available at the monthly meeting at a cost of \$17 per bag.

Raffle Tickets Still Available

There are still a few raffle tickets left to purchase before the beautiful print “*Evening on Flathead Lake*” will be raffled. It is a beautifully framed print donated by the artist Brett Thuma. The handsome custom frame was donated by Derek and Christine Vandeberg owners of the Frame of Reference. The Brett Thuma Gallery and the Frame of Reference are both located in Bigfork. Ticket are \$5 each and may be purchased at Flathead Audubon meetings.



FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS



"The only true development in American recreational resources is the development of the perceptive faculty in Americans. All of the other acts we grace by that name are, at best, attempts to retard or mask the process of dilution." Aldo Leopold - Sand County Almanac

Last fall Gail and I took a hiking trip up Boney Gulch near Tally Lake. If you have taken this trail, you are aware that the trail lures you in by starting with a relatively level stretch. About the time that you are truly convinced that this will be an easy hike, you reach your first switch back. Now switchbacks do have advantages. One of them is that they are always good sitting places on the uphill sides of the trail. Having found a particularly good seat, we stop to let the heart recover some degree of normality. With reduced heartbeat, the senses begin to explore the surroundings. First, the colors appear. Late season yellows of the drying Snowberry. The dark green of Mountain Lover. The gray of the Douglas Fir bark. We hear a band of Chickadees off to our left. Nuthatches "onk" from below the trail. How friendly the nuthatches seem; always talking to man, bird or beast as they fly from one wilderness of bark to another. Suddenly, my heart feels warm.

In my twenties I took two arctic canoe trips. The equipment we used was purposely "turn of the century". We chose rivers for which we could find no information. We went unprepared knowing that doing so increased the challenge. I have clear memories of being soaking wet for days while tracking canoes up through miles of rapids; of constantly dreaming about food from one tiny meal to the next; of having to force myself to think only as far ahead as the next meal, or the head of the next rapids or the next chance I would have to sleep; of the numbing fear of running miles of boulder rapids with no idea whether there was a falls around the corner. My clearest memory is of resting on a peak in the Yukon and thinking that there were no others of our species in the mountain ranges we could see. I finished the canoe trip changed. Now a thousand people canoe, boat and raft this river. It has been "preserved" as a National Park, but when I canoed it a few years ago there was little wildness left. I worry for the future of wildness. Development has been stopped on some of our wild lands, but is it wild if publicity has lured a thousand people a summer to go down the river? Leopold saw the problem 50 years ago. "All conservation of wilderness is self-defeating, for to cherish we must see and fondle, and when enough have seen and fondled, there is no wilderness left to cherish."

I was fortunate to be young when there were still "blank spots on the map". There are very few left. Aldo Leopold tells us that we can not increase wildness by developing and publicizing the wilderness. To increase wildness we have to develop our own inner appreciation of infinity complex interrelationships that make up nature. Only then can we experience the joy of having empathy for nature. We do not need to change the land; we need to change ourselves. I support Audubon because its programs promote development of the Leopold's "perceptive faculty". Birding has taught me how to cherish a friendship with a nuthatch or a snowberry bush. I cannot say it as well as Sig Olson did-

"I know there are moments of insight when ancient truths do stand out more vividly, and one senses anew this relationship to the earth and to all life. Such moments are worth waiting for, and when they come in some unheralded instant of knowing, they are of the purest gold. "

or as William Blake said it -

To see a World in a Grain of Sand
And a Heaven in a Wild Flower
Hold infinity in the palm of your hand
And Eternity in an hour



These moments of insight come from knowing we are just a part of the pageant of evolution. They happen "unheralded", occurring even as we sit on the edge of an over-steep trail on a fall morning.

By Bruce Tannehill, Flathead Audubon Treasurer



Glacier Institute Courses on Birds

The Glacier Institute is offering two courses this spring that will be of interest to Audubon members.

Owls of Glacier

April 10-11, taught by Denver Holt
\$150 (includes food & lodging)

Montana boasts the largest population of breeding owl species in the United States. Glacier National Park and Flathead National Forest provide ideal habitat for nine species of these silent-winged predators. Join the president and founder of the Owl Research Institute for day and night field trips to learn about the habitats, adaptations, and life histories of these impressive creatures. Based out of the Big Creek Center. Will include hikes of moderate difficulty.

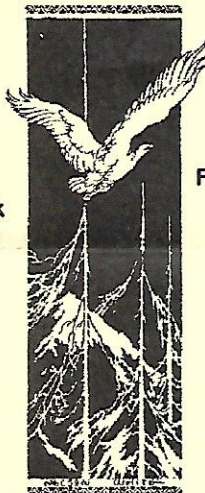
Glacier's Harlequins

May 8, taught by John Ashley
\$40

The Pacific Harlequin is the only duck in the world that divides its time between the sea and mountain streams and returns to Glacier each year to reproduce along the stream where it was hatched. We will visit McDonald Creek where an impressive number of these secretive birds return each spring. As we watch them court and feed in the foaming rapids, we'll learn about the threats they face on both ends of their migratory route and what we can do to aid in their conservation. Will include only easy walks.

Registration for these courses has now begun. Anyone interested in either course can register by calling The Glacier Institute at (406) 755-1211. Payment can be made by credit card or check. Registration is open for these courses until they are filled, but class size is limited, so people are encouraged to register early.

The full list of courses being offered by The Glacier Institute is published in the Institute's 1999 brochure, which can be obtained by calling the number listed above.



Legislature Information

Both the Montana State Legislature and the National Legislature are now in session. The following is a list of addresses and phone numbers to help you contact your legislator should the need arise.

Montana State Legislature:

Rep. Name
House of Representatives
State Capitol
P.O. Box 201701
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Helena, MT 59620-1702

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☺ Take note: Do you have old copies of Audubon magazine taking up space? You can donate them to the chapter. Bring them to the monthly meetings or call Linda Winnie at 755-1406 and she will arrange to get them, they are used in the packets we give to first time visitors to Flathead Audubon.



NINEPIPE CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT

Tradition has it that the Ninepipe N.W.R. Christmas Count is primarily a raptor count. And this year's avian census was once again no exception. Leading the way were the 253 Rough-legged Hawks, which represented a new count record. Somewhat surprising, however, were the new count highs for Red-tailed Hawk(66), American Kestrel(16), and Short-eared Owl(52). Perhaps most unusual were the two, slightly out of place(for winter), Ferruginous Hawks seen for the first time on the Ninepipe count.

A gorgeous sunny day greeted the 12 observers that participated in Flathead Audubon's tally of the birds wintering in the lower Mission valley. Although the temperature remained near zero all day, the intrepid twelve still managed good species diversity as well as a respectable number of individual birds. As expected, the bitter cold froze solid the main reservoir, resulting in low variety and numbers of waterfowl.

Additional count highs were recorded for the following species: Common Merganser(16), Gray Partridge(290), Brown Creeper(9), and Dark-eyed Junco(87). Another highlight of the day included a single Blue Jay- yet again a count first! All in all, 7893 birds representing 59 species made for a great day of birding.

Jim Rogers



ATTENTION: SMART SHOPPERS!

Recycle! Buy recycled products, and shop with your tote bag, canvas bag or any reusable bag. Receive a refund, and reduce waste to save habitat. This is Precyclers/Smart Shoppers primary advice.

At the recent celebration of five years of the successful Precycling Program, 1993-1998, volunteer participants requested

coordinators for each community in the Flathead. The Precycling/Smart Shopping project encourages consumers to buy recyclable items and to purchase in bulk, with knowledgeable volunteers at information stations in local supermarkets at various times of the year. Those of you interested in this program from Bigfork, Columbia Falls and Kalispell, please phone Ferne Cohen at 862-2028, the Flathead Audubon Quality of Life Committee Chair to discuss participation.

Montana Audubon Population and Habitat Committee values the Precycling/Smart Shopping Program. Many of the eight other Audubon chapters statewide are interested in introducing the program in their areas.

Ferne Cohen, Chair
Quality of Life Committee

Nominations for Montana Important Bird Area Program

Montana Partners in Flight is calling for nominations of sites across the state to be considered for Montana's Important Bird Areas (IBA) program. The IBA program is designed to identify essential habitats for birds. Some examples are sites where exceptional numbers or diversity of birds concentrate for breeding, during migration, or the winter; sites that are important for long-term research or monitoring projects that contribute to bird conservation and/or education; and sites important to endangered, threatened, or species of special concern.

I reported in a previous article that forms would be sent to each individual Audubon member in Montana. Instead, each chapter president and conservation chair has been sent a packet of nomination forms to be made available to you at your chapter meeting. All interested birders and volunteers are invited and encouraged to participate in the IBA program by nominating sites. Please pick a nomination form up at your next chapter meeting, or contact your chapter president, conservation chair, or me to request one. This is the first year of Montana's IBA program. Nominations for this year are due to the Montana IBA coordinator (Dan Casey) by the end of February. Thanks!

Susan Lenard, Montana Audubon



BIGFORK CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT

19 December 1998

TOTALS: 78 species, plus 7 during count week (cw); 10,534 individuals

We had 43 observers (12 parties) in the field. We had an interesting variety of species despite the arrival of bitter-cold weather immediately before the count. These included a count-week Say's Phoebe off LaBrandt Road, an unusual species here even during the spring and summer. Being a flycatcher, it may not have survived the cold of count day. We tied or broke our record high totals for 11 other species (underlined). Lingered waterbirds included 10 Green-winged Teal and 1 Wood Duck, a species we had recorded just once before (in 1977). High vole (mouse) numbers in the valley led to new high totals for Northern Harrier, Rough-legged Hawk, and American Kestrel. We saw Yellow-headed Blackbirds and some unprecedented Rusty Blackbirds during count week, but they couldn't be found among the record 518 Red-winged Blackbirds on count day. We recorded a new high total 225 House Finches, continuing an upward trend since the first one showed up in 1986. Species in boldface have been seen <3 times on our count.

Dan Casey

Horned Grebe	5	Northern Pygmy-Owl	1
Double-crested Cormorant	1	Belted Kingfisher	7
Great Blue Heron	5	Downy Woodpecker	20
Tundra Swan	32	Hairy Woodpecker	10
Canada Goose	2778	Northern Flicker	35
<u>Wood Duck</u>	1	Pileated Woodpecker	4
<u>Green-winged Teal</u>	10	Say's Phoebe	cw
Mallard	1405	Gray Jay	7
Northern Pintail	10	Steller's Jay	17
Gadwall	8	Blue Jay	cw
American Wigeon	9	Clark's Nutcracker	4
Canvasback	2	<u>Black-billed Magpie</u>	145
Redhead	cw	American Crow	21
Ring-necked Duck	33	<u>Common Raven</u>	196
Greater Scaup	55	Black-capped Chickadee	419
Lesser Scaup	2	Mountain Chickadee	114
Common Goldeneye	447	<u>Chestnut-backed Chickadee</u>	90
Barrow's Goldeneye	30	Red-breasted Nuthatch	43
<u>Bufflehead</u>	128	White-breasted Nuthatch	2
Hooded Merganser	40	Pygmy Nuthatch	29
Common Merganser	136	Brown Creeper	16
Ruddy Duck	cw	American Dipper	4
duck, sp.	609	Golden-crowned Kinglet	72
Bald Eagle	36	Townsend's Solitaire	1
<u>Northern Harrier</u>	13	Bohemian Waxwing	1
Northern Goshawk	cw	Northern Shrike	7
Accipiter, sp.	2	European Starling	115
Red-tailed Hawk	5	American Tree Sparrow	19
<u>Rough-legged Hawk</u>	41	Song Sparrow	11
Buteo, sp.	3	White-throated Sparrow	1
Golden Eagle	2	Dark-eyed Junco	41
<u>American Kestrel</u>	3	<u>Red-winged Blackbird</u>	518
Ring-necked Pheasant	31	Yellow-headed Blackbird	cw
Ruffed Grouse	4	Rusty Blackbird	cw
grouse, sp.	1	Pine Grosbeak	1
Wild Turkey	476	Cassin's Finch	25
American Coot	1359	<u>House Finch</u>	225
Killdeer	5	Red Crossbill	5
Ring-billed Gull	18	White-winged Crossbill	1
California Gull	3	Common Redpoll	25
Herring Gull	5	Pine Siskin	3
gull, sp.	24	American Goldfinch	6
Rock Dove	164	Evening Grosbeak	72
<u>Mourning Dove</u>	97	House Sparrow	160
Great Horned Owl	3		





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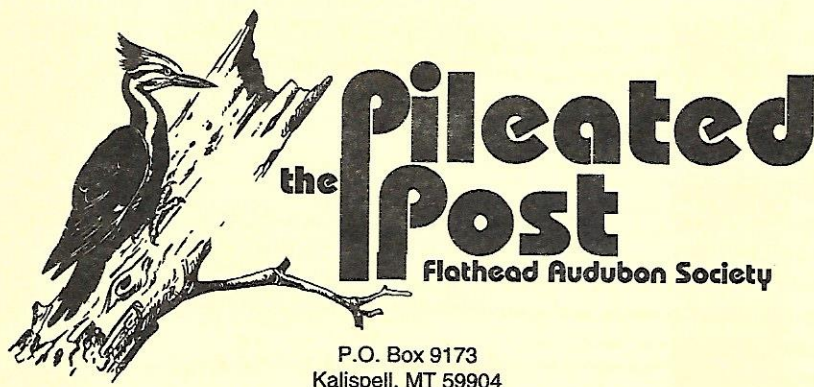
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The Flathead Audubon Society is affiliated with the National Audubon Society and meets on the second Monday of each month from September through May. The regular meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. and includes a featured guest who will present a conservation or nature program. The regular monthly meeting is preceded by the Executive Board meeting. Both meetings are open to all those interested.

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