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FEBRUARY 2017 PROGRAM:

WILDLIFE PROGRAMS AT FINLEY NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Chintimini Senior Ctr:
2601 NW Tyler Ave (& 27th) in Corvallis
Thurs., Feb 16, 7-8:30 pm

Damien Miller is Project Leader for the Willamette Valley National Wildlife Refuge Complex which includes responsibility for managing Ankeny, Bassett Slough, and William L. Finley NWR, as well as the Partners for Fish and Wildlife program in the Willamette Valley that works with private landowners to conserve and restore habitat.

He will provide a general overview of the Refuge Complex and Partners program's habitat conservation efforts around the Valley and more detail about conservation and listed species recovery efforts on Corvallis's "home" refuge, the William L. Finley NWR. In his talk he will touch on conservation efforts of Oak and Prairie Habitat, Streaked Horned Lark, Fender's Blue Butterfly, Oregon Chub, and the main purpose of the Refuge, which is to provide winter habitat and sanctuary for geese.

Damien received his Bachelor's Degree in Wildlife Management from the University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point and his Master's Degree in Wildlife Science from New Mexico State University in Las Cruces. His experience includes serving as a wildlife biologist in Kansas, a bear biologist in Wyoming and then as Regional Director for the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation in CA and WY. He worked as a Project Manager in a California-based consulting business before joining the USFWS in 2002 as the Kansas State Coordinator for the Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program. His USFWS career has taken him to Boise and Pocatello, Idaho with the Ecological Services Division and then to Lakeview, Oregon as the Deputy Project Leader of the Sheldon-Hart Mountain National Wildlife Refuge Complex prior to his current position here.

Social hour begins at 6:30, with the chapter meeting starting at 7:00 and the program starting about 7:30. Questions can be directed to: proebstw@gmail.com



Damien Miller

Bill Proebsting, Vice Pres. & Program Chair

NEXT GENERAL MEETING MARCH 16:

Wayne Hoffman, 'Peregrine Falcons on the Oregon Coast'

FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE

LOCAL MONTHLY SECOND SATURDAY FIELD TRIPS

Our Saturday morning local field trips meet the second Saturday from September through June at the Benton Center parking area, behind the Cannery Mall, 777 NW 9th St., Corvallis at 7:30 am. This field trip is free and geared towards beginning birders, birders new to Oregon's mid-valley area and persons looking for a pleasant outing. Contact Bill Proebsting at proebstw@gmail.com or 541-752-0108 if you have questions. Check the Willamette Valley ListServ, <http://birding.aba.org/maillist/ORS>, a couple of days before the field trip for updates. Weather may alter plans. Watch the weather forecast and dress appropriately. Return to Benton Center by noon.

ASC GENERAL MEETINGS

THIRD THURSDAYS AT CHINTIMINI SENIOR CTR:
2601 NW Tyler Ave (& 27th) in Corvallis
Next Meeting: Thursday, February 16, 7-8:30 pm

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NEXT LOCAL FIELD TRIPS:

February 11 trip - Cheadle Lake, Lebanon. (Originally planned for January, but destination changed because of ice.) Restored log pond next to the Lebanon Santiam Canal provides good habitat for a variety of ducks, raptors and mixed flocks. Flat, paved path provides easy walking.

Next trip: March 11- Luckiamute State Natural Area

Bill Proebsting

2017 ASC WEEKEND FIELD TRIPS:

ITINERARY FOR FIELD TRIP MARCH 17-19, TO BANDON OR:

Friday, 3/17: At Yaquina Head we'll look for nesting Peregrine Falcons, Newport south jetty for Harlequin Ducks, Sea Lion Caves for Rhinoceros Auklets setting up housekeeping, Winchester Bay for ducks and gulls, Coos Bay north sandspit, Myrtle Point and into Bandon.

Saturday, 3/18: Start at Bullards Beach State Park, Bandon Marsh & Bandon Rocks, then to New River to hopefully find Allen's Hummingbirds slurping away at manzanitas, and Port Orford - a great spot for sea ducks, then end the day at Cape Blanco.

Sunday, 3/19: Revisit Bandon Marsh, and work our way north. Cape Arago & Simpson Reef are spectacular, with both Steller's and California Sea Lions, Elephant Seals, Black Oystercatchers, loons, grebes, and more Harlequin Ducks. Next is Charleston, to find wintering Red-necked Grebes molting into alternate (breeding) plumage. Our last stop is at South Beach of the Siuslaw River.

We stay at the Lamplighter Motel and dine both nights at the Wheelhouse restaurant (wonderful local seafood), with breakfasts at the Minute Cafe in Bandon (cranberry crepes!).

Sign up, at the Field Trip table at our general meeting or contact me at flramsey5@comcast.net or 541-753-3677.

THE 2017 SCHEDULE:

Bandon/ Port Orford, March 17-19
Klamath Basin, March 31 - April 2
Rogue Valley, April 28-30
Malheur NWR, June 1-4
Summer Lake, June 16-18
Wallowas, July 20-23
Steens, August 10-13
South Coast, August 25-27

On these trips, we travel in rental vans, stay in motel-style accommodations, and eat meals wherever we can get them. We share all expenses. There will be sign-up sheets at the Field Trip table at the ASC general meetings starting in January.

If there are parts of Oregon you want to add to the schedule, please consider organizing a tour. Assistance in the planning and execution is available.

Fred Ramsey

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

In early July, 2015, ASC was contacted by Mark Novak, Assistant Professor of Integrative Biology (formerly Zoology) at OSU. Mark is an ecologist, whose laboratory studies species interactions and their effects on individuals, communities, and ecosystems, both in fresh-

water streams and marine intertidal habitats. Mark was initiating a stream ecology study focused on three creeks— Soap, Berry, and Oak, with three collection/observation sites in each creek. He asked permission for Hesthavn to be one of the three Oak Creek sites. The Board readily agreed to his request and the study began.

In early January Mark said he had asked his lab manager, Jeremy Henderson, to produce an interim progress report for us. Jeremy produced a fourteen-page document full of photographs, maps, charts, and data. He may have gone beyond the expectations of his supervisor, but it gives a wonderful look at the creatures found in Oak Creek and a glimpse at what professional ecological research is like. A brief sample—to date, the Novak team has identified twelve orders of aquatic invertebrates in the three creeks, representing more than fifty families and possibly more than one hundred species.

Reading the report gave Board members a sense of satisfaction, knowing that our property is a valuable scientific resource. Moreover, the data being obtained should enrich our own Aquatic Ecology education program, which Jessica Brothers is organizing again for this spring, along with a group of very capable volunteers, but more help is needed.

If you want to see the report, send me an email (mathewsc2@comcast.net) and I will send the pdf.

Chris Mathews, ASC President

CONSERVATION UPDATE

BENTON COUNTY REMAINS A PLAINTIFF IN LINN COUNTY V. STATE OF OREGON AND STATE FORESTRY DEPARTMENT

After the election of a progressive Benton County Board of Commissioners, and a letter from ASC urging them against, our Benton County Commission decided (2 to 1) to continue in a lawsuit along with our Linn County Commission, claiming the state of Oregon owes counties for all unrealized gains for not maximizing revenue generation off state forest lands without regard to any other resource values. The surprise to me is that the coalition of counties has brought no new evidence to substantiate the claims of the forest industry, and additionally relies on a pittance of industry-promised seed money for court costs that there's a big pot of money at the end of this rainbow. Contrary to Commissioner opinion, taxpayers will pay for a very complex and lengthy court case, and maybe have to refill that pot of money too. It already sticks in my craw that forest land owners pay an extremely minimal tax on their land ownership. The Attorney General has found that the current State Forestry Plan meets the "greatest permanent value" mission, and the suit seeks to upend that finding. If this was a shot across the bow of the state, it instead hit our collective foot.

WILL BIRDS TELL US ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE?

If you choose the right species, they just might! National Audubon Society has started a pilot program that identifies familiar species groups—bluebirds and nuthatches—whose populations are predicted to change significantly in the next decade due to climate change. Along with 3 dozen other Chapters and Audubon affiliates across the country, ASC volunteers will be trying to follow changes in Western Bluebirds and White-breasted Nuthatches populations. Raylene and a host of ASC volunteers surveyed for bluebirds last summer, and we should, by this article's publication, have finished nuthatch surveys. January bird surveys aren't often as rewarding as those done in June (unless more than 900 robins from one point thrills you—it did me!),



so I'd like to thank our winter nuthatch surveyors for their efforts: Karin Lamberson, Jim Philipson, Gabriel Sandoval and the OSU Bird Nerds, Mark Baldwin, Bill Proebsting, Don Boucher and Lisa Millbank, Jesse Laney, Chris and Kate Mathews, Marcia Cutler, Bev Clark, Raylene Gordin, and Karan Fairchild. You can find out more on this project on the National Audubon Climate Watch Pilot Program webpage: www.audubon.org/conservation/climate-watch-pilot-program

Jim Fairchild, Conservation Chair

HOMER CAMPBELL AWARD NOMINATIONS REQUESTED

The Homer Campbell ASC Environmental Award, established in 2005, recognizes a local (Linn, Benton, Lincoln and Polk counties) individual or organization that has made significant contributions in the areas of environmental stewardship, awareness, and outreach.

Contributions worthy of recognition might include, but are not limited to:

- promotion of environmentally sustainable practices.
- leadership on local environmental issues.
- classroom education of environmental stewardship.
- habitat restoration or preservation.

Both long-standing and short-term but significant contributions will be considered for this award.

Past award winners include: Laurie & Warren Halsey, the OSU Department of Fisheries & Wildlife, Rana Foster, Joel Geier, Don Boucher & Lisa Millbank, Steve Northway, Jeff Mitchell, and Elsie Eltzroth.

A committee from ASC will recommend one of the nominees for approval by the majority of the Board. The selected awardee will then be recognized at the April ASC General Meeting and presented with an engraved plaque. The awardee's name will also be engraved on a permanent plaque that hangs at ASC's Hesthavn Nature Center.

Nominations should consist of a letter that describes how the actions or activities of the nominee fit the above-described (or related) criteria. Nominations should include contact information for both the nominee and the nominator and will be accepted until February 28th.

Email submissions may be sent to HC Award Committee members:

Linda Campbell, lcampbell@peak.org;
Karan Fairchild, alderspr@peak.org; or
Dave Mellinger, mellinger@oregonstate.edu

Snail mail submissions should be sent to:
ASC, PO Box 148, Corvallis, OR, 97339
ATTN: HC Award Committee

Linda Campbell

EDUCATION NEWS

COME TO WINTER WILDLIFE FIELD DAY 3/18/17

Everyone is invited to a fun, free day exploring our local wildlife at the nearby Finley National Wildlife Refuge on Saturday, March 18. The 2017 Winter Wildlife Field Day runs from **10 am to 2 pm** with 9 separate activity stations at the refuge headquarters and a wildlife watch on the Homer Campbell Trail.

Learn about the pollinators that are critical to our lives and how you can help them, see live birds from the Chintimini Wildlife Rescue Center, explore forest and marsh with experts from the local Audubon Society, get personally acquainted with critters in the pond and the soil in the forest, touch wild animal fur and bones, dissect owl pellets and let your creative side fly. Visit several stations and earn a

Wildlife Explorer patch. It's all free, family friendly and fun!

More volunteers are needed between 9 am and 2:30 pm to help guests explore Nature and earn a beautiful Wildlife Explorer Patch. If you can help from 2-6 hours, please contact Teri Engbring at chateditors@gmail.com.

This event is a cooperative effort of the USFWS, Friends of the WVNWR, Corvallis Audubon, OSU Bird Nerds, Chintimini Wildlife Center, OSU Society of American Foresters and Organic Growers, Starker Forests, and dozens of dedicated volunteers.

Teri Engbring, ASC Education

AQUATIC ECOLOGY PROGRAM VOLUNTEER CALL

This is our **third and final year of the program** so don't miss out! We have had over 740 Corvallis 4th and 5th grade students attend this field day over the last two spring seasons. Your participation and feedback has made this program a success and we are sad to see it come to an end — but hopefully we will receive other educational partnership grants and opportunities in the future!

The Aquatic Ecology (AE) Series is a National Science Foundation Grant program that was awarded to Oregon State University and the Audubon Society of Corvallis to offer a half day field day. We conduct hands on macroinvertebrate collection along Oak Creek at our Hesthavn nature Center near McDonald forest. We also perform water quality testing with the students and go on a riparian plant walk to learn about native plants and their habitat connection to the creek.

We will be running our program beginning in mid-April and go through mid-May. Field days will be in the AM on Fridays this year to coincide with Corvallis school district's half day Fridays and will run from 9AM to 12:45PM. The day includes three stations and a brown bag lunch (schools/students provide their own lunches).

Time commitments would be Friday from 8:30am-1pm. Station opportunities include: Macroinvertebrate Collection Educators, Water Quality Testing Educators, and Riparian Walk Educators

AE Program dates are:

April 7th, 21st, and 28th
May 5th, 12th, 19th, and 26th, and
June 2nd and 9th

If you are interested in signing up as a volunteer for one (or many!) of our field days, please respond to Jessica Brothers at education-audubon@gmail.com

CORNELL ORNITHOLOGY LAB BIRD SLEUTH PROGRAM

We are also excited to announce that Jessica will be a Pennington Ambassador this year for the Cornell Lab of Ornithology's Bird Sleuth Program. She will incorporate additional bird activities into the AE riparian portion, giving Corvallis teachers and students valuable bird feeding resources and providing new ways to get their students involved outdoors. Each class will be presented with a Pennington Window Bird Feeder along with a bundle of Feathered Friends resources and activities. For more information about the Bird Sleuth program, visit <http://www.birdsleuth.org/pennington/>

Jessica Brothers, Aquatic Ecology Coordinator

CBC AREA KEY

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| 1A: Oak Creek; NW Corvallis
(west of 36th St and Witham
Hill Drive, North of Walnut) | 4: Peoria |
| 1B: NE Corvallis (east of 9th St.
and north of Circle) | 5: SW Corvallis, Neabeck Hill |
| 1C: Central Residential Corvallis,
including main OSU campus | 6: S. Corvallis |
| 2: Orleans (Tangent Dr. to River-
side Dr.) | 7: Airport |
| 3: Oakville | 8: Greenberry |
| | 9: Finley, Eureka Rd. |
| | 10: N. Philomath, West Hills |
| | 11: S. Philomath, Evergreen |
| | 12: Beaver Cr. |

HESTHAVN NEWS

HESTHAVN WORK PARTIES SCHEDULE

Please join our volunteer work parties, also noted on the ASC website. There is no need to bring anything. All tools will be provided. Dress for the weather. It can be cold and wet. This is our winter schedule:

Sunday Feb. 5—10 am to 2 pm. Blackberries. Come join the GEOG 300 students as we dig out blackberries. There is a big patch in the southeast corner of the property that I am hoping to remove.

No other February work party!

Sunday Mar. 19—10 am to 2 pm. Another barn and yard work party.

Sunday Mar. 25—10 am to 2 pm. Yellow Archangel weed pull.

Yellow Archangel is a very nice looking plant with multi-colored leaves and bright yellow flowers. It is still sold by some nurseries as a ground cover. But most people who plant it come to regret it. We have a big aggressive patch on the far side of the creek. I haven't been able to completely eradicate it because it goes deep under some slash piles on the neighbor's property. But once a year I knock it back as far as I can.

Anyone who would like to help out at Hesthavn, but can't make my work parties, please feel free to contact me. There are lots of things you can do on your own in this special place.

Ray Drapek, Hesthavn Chair (raydrapek@gmail.com)

ATOP THE NESTBOX

Daylight is lengthening and winter will soon be over. Many of our bluebirds have begun to localize near their previous nesting territories. It's time to make sure our nestboxes are free of old debris, mice and wasps. If your boxes have been used predominantly by House Wrens in recent years, this signals a need to move the boxes away from brushy areas and forests. Habitats are constantly changing, and the birds expect to have to relocate from time to time. Now would be an excellent time, before the birds become territorial, usually in March.

As always, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact any bluebird trail volunteer.

Raylene Gordin

FIELD NOTES

12/21/16 – 01/24/17

After a mild close to December, January brought cold and snowy conditions with the mid-Willamette Valley. Snow accumulations on 2 Jan were followed by temperatures that dipped down as low as

15 F in the following days, followed by freezing rain 7-8 Jan, a brief thaw, then another week of snow, ice, and freezing temperatures. The persistent snow and ice cover caused shorebirds such as snipe to concentrate in small patches of open ground. Songbirds were also stressed by the difficulty of finding food and unfrozen water, causing many to seek food in unusual situations. A warm front that brought heavy rain and temperatures up to 55 F on 18 Jan quickly changed the landscape from white to green, followed by a return to more typical mild, damp winter weather.

Abbreviations and locations: NWR = National Wildlife Refuge, STP = sewage treatment ponds. Jackson-Frazier Wetlands is in north Corvallis near Cheldelin Middle School. Luckiamute State Natural Area is along the Willamette River northwest of Albany. Philomath STP is south of Philomath and requires access permission. Teloh-Calapooia Park is in south Albany near Linn-Benton Community College, Talking Water Gardens are in NE Albany. Cabell Marsh, McFadden Marsh, and North Prairie are locations at Finley NWR. The Airlie-Albany Christmas Bird Count (AACBC) took place on 31 Dec (results compiled by Paul Adamus).

OBSERVATIONS

A **Brant** was seen occasionally with Cackling Geese near McFarland Marsh 21 Dec through 21 Jan (Cody Smith; Isaac Denzer). Four goose at Cheadle Lake in late Dec had noticeable eye rings but in other respects appeared to be **Greater White-fronted Geese** (Jeff Harding).

Numbers of **Snow Geese** wintering in the mid-valley have increased dramatically in recent years, possibly a result of their ongoing population expansion in their Arctic nesting grounds, impacting tundra vegetation and shorebirds that also nest there. Ten **Snow Geese** were near Halsey 4 Jan (Howard Bruner). An immature **Ross's Goose** continued at McFadden Marsh 15 Jan (Isaac Denzer) and again on 16 Jan when the morning fly-out included 18,000 **Cackling Geese**, several hundred **Canada Geese**, and 66 **Snow Geese** (Hendrik Herlyn); 75 **Snow Geese** landed near Halsey later that morning (Karan & Jim Fairchild).

Paul Murtaugh photographed a pair of **Eurasian Wigeons** at Talking Water Gardens 28 Dec. A pair of **Cinnamon Teal** joined **Northern Shovelers** and other typical wintering ducks at the Philomath STP 12 Jan (Hendrik Herlyn). Two **Common Goldeneyes** were at the Philomath STP 14 Jan; three **Redheads** and a **Greater Scaup** were there 17 Jan (Hendrik Herlyn). A male **Redhead** at Stewart Lake was joined by two females the next day; all were gone by 23 Jan (Jamie Simmons). **Hooded Mergansers** seemed to be pairing up as part of the early stages of courtship by late January. A lone male briefly visited the Stoneybrook pond in Corvallis 17 Jan (Julie Gibson).

Over a thousand **Tundra Swans** continued along American Dr. near Halsey through 31 Dec (Stephanie Hazen, Ray Temple); Howard Bruner estimated over 1700 there on 4 Jan. 700 were at Finley 3 Jan (Rana Foster). A "**Bewick's**" **Tundra Swan** was photographed in the flock near Halsey 5 Jan (Deanna Emig). This Eurasian subspecies of has more extensive yellow on the bill than our usual "Whistling" **Tundra Swans**. A total of 940 **Tundra Swans** and five **Trumpeter Swans** were on McFadden Marsh and Cabell Marsh 16 Jan (Hendrik Herlyn). Five or more **Trumpeter Swans** called while circling in flight south of Elkins Rd. in the Maple Grove area 15 Jan (Rana Foster). Two **Tundra Swans** flew over the Benton County courthouse just as the Corvallis women's march came to an end on 21 Jan.

A **Ring-necked Pheasant** was in the Crabtree area of Linn Co. 23 Dec (Jeff Harding). Pheasants have declined in most parts of our area where this introduced species is no longer artificially stocked.

Pied-billed Grebes hunted frogs under and around the edges of a



partly frozen mat of grass at Baskett Slough NWR 12 Jan; more than one lost its catch after being harried by an **American Coot** (Frank Kolwicz).

150 to 200 **Mourning Doves** continued at E.E. Wilson Wildlife Area through the period. 30 continued in the Teloh-Calapooia neighborhood through 10 Jan (Jim Smith). **Mourning Doves** have been notably absent this winter at Ron Jameson's place along the Marys River in west Philomath, but **Eurasian Collared-Doves** were regular.

18 **Anna's Hummingbirds** clustered around Marge Popp's feeders near Peavy Arboretum on 31 Dec. One visited a feeder in Sweet Home as snow fell 2 Jan (Angie Courtney). A pair of **Anna's Hummingbirds** copulated repeatedly just outside an office window at Hewlett-Packard in Corvallis 3 Jan (Jamie Simmons). This species nests as early as December in some parts of its range.

A small female hummingbird with rufous sides briefly visited a feeder near Wren 17 Jan before being chased off by one of the larger resident Anna's Hummingbirds (Bill Pearcy). The description was good for **Rufous Hummingbird** but a female **Allen's Hummingbird** would be practically indistinguishable. As neither species is expected in January, it seems best to call it a generic "**Selasphorus**" hummingbird.

A wintering **Sora** continued at Talking Water Gardens 31 Dec (AACBC); one was still there 16 Jan (Jeff Harding). A **Virginia Rail** responded to a recording at Clemens Mill Pond in Philomath 11 Jan (Isaac Denzer).

A juvenile **Sandhill Crane** was s. of Crabtree 23 Jan (Jeff Harding). One called as it flew over the old Clemens Mill Pond in Philomath 24 Dec (Isaac Denzer).

130 **Killdeer** and 105 **Wilson's Snipe** were massed in the pastures near the OSU dairy barns 2 Jan (Hendrik Herlyn, Oscar Harper). Another large **Killdeer** flock nw. of Halsey 4 Jan included at least one **Black-bellied Plover** (Howard Bruner). A flock of 170 **Black-bellied Plovers** were found in the same area 18 Jan (Bill Tice).

Two **Least Sandpipers** and a **Long-billed Dowitcher** were at Finley NWR 16 Jan (Hendrik Herlyn). Several "**peeps**" (small sandpiper sp.) and a dozen **Wilson's Snipe** crowded into a wet area thawed by flowing water near Suver 15 Jan (Rana Foster). Three **Greater Yellowlegs** foraged in a roadside puddle near Finley 14 Jan (Hendrik Herlyn). A **Lesser Yellowlegs** and 21 **Greater Yellowlegs** were in the conservation area along Duckflat Rd. near Turner 24 Jan (Jeff Harding).

1000 **Mew Gulls** (plus other gull species) returning at dusk to Waverly Lake in Albany 31 Dec (Paul Adamus). A large flock of gulls nw. of Halsey 4 Jan included **Mew**, **Ring-billed**, **Thayer's** and **Glaucous-winged Gulls** (Howard Bruner). An apparent hybrid **Glaucous x Glaucous-winged Gull** was at Waverly Park in Albany 9 Jan (Adrian & Christopher Hinkle). An adult **Western Gull** perched in a supermarket parking lot in nw. Corvallis 14 Jan (Hendrik Herlyn). A **Herring Gull** was on McFadden Marsh 14 Jan (Isaac Denzer). 30 **Glaucous-winged Gulls** flew south over Peoria 21 Jan, possibly heading for Fern Ridge Reservoir (Greg Metcalfe).

40 **Double-crested Cormorants** flew west over the Willamette River at Luckiamute SNA 18 Jan. The AACBC turned up three **Green Herons** and an **American Bittern**.

A **Turkey Vulture** was north of Lewisburg 31 Dec. One circled east of Corvallis Airport 11 Jan (Hendrik Herlyn).

A **White-tailed Kite** was in the south part of E.E. Wilson WA 17 Jan (Bill Proebsting). One to two were also reported intermittently from the North Prairie overlook at Finley NWR. A **Bald Eagle** in McDonald Forest 21 Dec eyed 26 **Hooded Mergansers** on Cronmiller Lake (Paul Adamus). Another **Bald Eagle** w. of Lebanon 1 Jan appeared to be scavenging a coyote carcass (Angie Courtney). A pair of adult **Bald Eagles** were perched near a regular nesting site near Halsey 12 Jan (Delores Porch).

A raptor survey in the in the Crabtree-Scio area 23 Dec turned up 11 adult **Bald Eagles**, two **Cooper's Hawks**, a **Sharp-shinned Hawk**, and

22 **Red-tailed Hawks**, but just one **Northern Harrier**; harriers increased dramatically by 19 Jan when 41 were in the same area (Jeff Harding).

Two **Rough-legged Hawks** (one a dark morph) were near the Camp Adair Rifle Range 21 Dec (Jeff Fleischer). Two more interacted with harriers east of Suver 31 Dec (Martha Geier) and another was along Llewellyn Rd. 14 Jan (Hendrik Herlyn). A **Red-shouldered Hawk** was nw. of E.E. Wilson Wildlife Area headquarters 30 Dec (Randy & Pam Comeleo). An adult and a juvenile turned up near Teloh-Calapooia Park 14 Jan (Jim Smith). Four were in the Crabtree-Scio area 19 Jan (Jeff Harding).

Two **Golden Eagles** (one mature, one immature) interacted at Cabell Marsh 30 Dec (Rana Foster). A second-year **Golden Eagle** at McFadden Marsh 14 Jan (Hendrik Herlyn) may have been the same immature bird.

Duetting pairs of **Great Horned Owls** were heard through the period. A **Barred Owl** called along the 300 Road in Dunn Forest 29 Dec (Randy & Pam Comeleo). One visited Chris Miller's Corvallis backyard in late Dec. Another calling in south Albany's Teloh-Calapooia neighborhood 28 Dec seemed to be searching for a mate (Jim Smith). A **Spotted Owl** near Marys Peak responded to a recording 16 Jan (Trent Bray). A banded juvenile **Spotted Owl** was found roosting in a large red-cedar near Corvallis High School 23 Jan but left after drawing throngs of viewers, including news reporters; this youngster likely wandered out of McDonald-Dunn Forest where a few pairs still nest.

A **Burrowing Owl** continued at Corvallis Airport 29 Dec (Randy Moore). A **Short-eared Owl** was along Smithfield Rd. near Baskett Slough 16 Jan (Frank Kolwicz). A **Northern Pygmy-Owl** responded to imitations on the west side of Finley NWR 14 Jan (Hendrik Herlyn).

Two **Acorn Woodpeckers** were in Chip Ross Park 14 Jan (Jamie Simmons). A **Red-naped Sapsucker** continued in NW Corvallis through 10 Jan (Sara Liston; Don Alan Hall; Christopher & Adrian Hinkle). Pairs of both **Downy Woodpeckers** and **Northern Flickers** were associating closely at Hewlett-Packard 4 Jan (Jamie Simmons). **Downy Woodpeckers** that had been spending nights in nest boxes near Teloh-Calapooia Park left these winter roosts by 6 Jan (Jim Smith). A **Pileated Woodpecker** calling loudly in big-leaf maples near the Luckiamute Landing trailhead at Luckiamute SNA 12 Jan; another was in Chip Ross Park 14 Jan (Jamie Simmons).

Small falcons found during a raptor survey in the Crabtree area 23 Dec included 45 **American Kestrels** and a **Merlin** (Jeff Harding). A **Merlin** perched near the north entrance of Finley NWR 16 Jan (Hendrik Herlyn). A **Prairie Falcon** was north of Baskett Slough NWR 16 Jan (Frank Kolwicz). Another **Prairie Falcon** and a **Peregrine Falcon** were in the Crabtree-Scio area 19 Jan (Jeff Harding).

A **Black Phoebe** was on the east side of McFadden Marsh 2 & 17 Jan (Hendrik Herlyn). A **Say's Phoebe** called along Old River Rd. near Irish Bend 23 Jan (Hendrik Herlyn).

No **Northern Shrikes** were found for the AACBC this year, but one was east of McFadden Marsh 2 Jan (Hendrik Herlyn, Oscar Harper). A **Hutton's Vireo** sang in bright sunshine at Willamette Park 24 Dec. A hike through McDonald Forest from Lewisburg Saddle to Peavy Arboretum 21 Jan turned up twelve **Gray Jays** (Paul Adamus).

No **Horned Larks** were found by the AACBC, but 25 flew in and landed in Mike & Karen Lippsmeyer's prairie restoration at the north edge of the circle on 3 Jan. Two flew over Finley Rd. 14 Jan (Isaac Denzer). A lone male **Barn Swallow** circled over the old Clemens Mill Pond in Philomath 11 Jan (Isaac Denzer). A **Tree Swallow** turned up at Cheadle Lake in Lebanon 23 Jan (Jeff Harding).

Black-capped Chickadees and 30 **Bushtits** visited a Lebanon yard 30 Jan (Maureen Biles). Five **Bushtits** returned to a feeder in the Timberhill neighborhood yard 4 Jan after disappearing in late Dec (Andrea Foster). On 14 Jan Jamie Simmons noted a **White-breasted**

BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

JAN 12, 2017 ASC BOARD MEETING

The board met at the Natural Grocers meeting room. Teri Engbring reported on progress of Winter Wildlife Field Day. They are distributing fliers to as many locations as possible. The ASC is participating in the National Audubon Breeding Bird Survey. The board voted to donate \$5000 to the Finley NWR to fund 1-2 student interns to perform biological surveys on horned and meadow larks. Suzanne Ortiz will be our designated representative to the Sustainability Coalition. Next board meeting will be at 7 pm, Feb 9th at Natural Grocer meeting room, 1235 NW 10th St.

Gail Nickerson, Secretary

OPEN BOARD MEETINGS

ASC Board of Directors meetings are open to all ASC members, and the board encourages you to come and see what we do. Our monthly board meeting is on Thursday, one week before the General Meeting. See the calendar on the last page of The Chat for location.

MEMBERSHIP CORNER

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Giana Bernardini
Lorraine (Mamo) Waianuhea

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

To renew your membership online, go to the ASC website (www.audubon.corvallis.or.us/join.shtml) and renew via Paypal, or you can mail a check to ASC at PO Box 148, Corvallis, OR 97339.

Nuthatch in Chip Ross Park, where recent oak woodland/savanna restoration work has improved habitat for this declining species.

Bewick's Wrens were in brush near Cheadle Lake 30 Jan (Maureen & Gary Biles); a few began to sing by the end of the period. A **Ruby-crowned Kinglet** sang a partial song in the snow in nw. Corvallis 4 Jan (Laurie Bowman).

Nine **Western Bluebirds** foraged in a thawed patch of grass field at Luckiamute SNA 12 Jan. Two fed alongside juncos w. of Bald Hill 12 Jan (Paul Jacobsen). A small bluebird flock has become regular in the neighborhood nw. of 9th and Circle Blvd. (Marcia Cutler). At least six were at St. Marys Church 10 Jan (Rana Foster). Three **Hermit Thrushes** were at E.E. Wilson Wildlife Area 15 Jan (Howard Bruner).

A flock of 70 **American Robins** flew west over 10th St & Taylor Ave in Corvallis 29 Dec (Don Boucher). **Varied Thrushes** continued to be scarce in town but single birds turned up in three nw. Corvallis yards 4-6 Jan (Laurie Bowman; Andrea Foster; Chris Miller). Two more visited a snowy Lebanon yard 8 Jan as an **American Robin** bathed in a bowl of water that Maureen Biles set out in freezing weather. About 13 thirsty **robins** drank from a heated fountain in south Corvallis 14 Jan (Bill Gerth). As the cold spell wore on, hungry **robins** massed to feed on fallen apples at Finley NWR on 15 Jan (Pam Comeleo). One sang in Corvallis 22 Jan after the weather warmed up (Dave Mellinger).

A lone **Cedar Waxwing** sang at E.E. Wilson WA 19 Jan. **American Pipits** fed alongside **Western Bluebirds** in frozen marsh grass at Baskett Slough NWR 12 Jan (Frank Kolwicz).

Finch numbers continued to be low in the Teloh-Calapooia neighborhood (Jim Smith). However dozens of **House Finches** and **American Goldfinches** continued to use weedy sunflower plantings at E.E. Wilson WA through the period. **Pine Siskins** were generally scarce but the AACBC recorded a few along with small numbers of **Red Crossbills**.

A **Common Yellowthroat** was reported at Talking Water Gardens 24 Dec (via eBird). **Yellow-rumped Warblers** were numerous at feeders near Teloh-Calapooia during an ice storm 7 Jan. At least 100 continued at E.E. Wilson Wildlife Area through the period; most seemed to be of the "Myrtle" subspecies. By 19 Jan some males were beginning to show black masks, as the first sign of a transition to spring plumage.

Townsend's Warblers are always a welcome sight, as one of our most brightly colored winter birds. Don Boucher heard one, then saw a bright male in Douglas-firs near Goss Stadium 29 Dec. Another visited Andrea Foster's feeder in the Timberhill neighborhood 19 Jan. A well-described **Wilson's Warbler** visited a Lebanon yard 30 Dec (Maureen Biles); this species has only been recorded a few times in winter in our area.

A **Savannah Sparrow** turned up in a residential neighborhood near Cheldelin Middle School 14 Jan (Lisa Millbank, Don Boucher). Snow cover and continuing freezing weather forced many **Fox Sparrows** to forage outside of their usual dense cover at E.E. Wilson WA 15 Jan; many of them were paler than the dark-chocolate variety of "**Sooty**" **Fox Sparrows** that typically winter in our area (Howard Bruner), possibly belonging to one of the paler subspecies that usually winter mainly south of our area. A **Slate-colored Fox Sparrow** was seen again in the south unit of Luckiamute SNA 15 Jan (Chris Chappell). A **Swamp Sparrow** called at Clemens Mill Pond in Philomath 11 Jan (Isaac Denzer) and another called at McFadden Marsh 17 Jan (Hendrik Herlyn). A few **White-throated Sparrows** were seen in various locations, along with more numerous **Golden-crowned** and **White-crowned Sparrows**.

A young male **Red-winged Blackbird** visited a seed feeder in North Albany 2 Jan (Naomi Weidner). Female and immature Red-winged Blackbirds can be puzzling birds when they turn up at feeders, as they lack the bright colors of adult males. Two **Brown-headed Cowbirds** were at Philomath STP 17 Jan (Hendrik Herlyn).

Western Meadowlark numbers in the mid-Willamette Valley typically increase in winter due to the arrival of migrant birds that nest east of the Cascades. Meadowlarks can sometimes be seen alongside **European Starlings** as they feed in grass fields. Even though the two species aren't closely related, they have similar shapes and feeding styles, using their sharp bills to probe soft ground for invertebrates. You can distinguish meadowlarks when they fly by their white outer tail feathers. Locations where flocks were noted this month included Suver Rd. east of Hwy 99W and Lakeside Dr. east of Finley NWR.

A female **Bullock's Oriole** turned up again in the Cheldelin neighborhood on 14 Jan, after disappearing for a month; she joined **Western Bluebirds**, **Yellow-rumped Warblers**, and both **American** and **Lesser Goldfinches** to dine on sunflower chips (Lisa Millbank).

75 to 100 **elk** grazing in a grass field along the south side of Airlie Rd. w. of Hwy 99W on 13 Jan (Olin Allen) were far from their usual haunts in Dunn Forest. **Pacific Chorus Frogs** were in full chorus in the Cheldelin neighborhood by 20 Jan (Don Boucher), just a week after puddles and frozen ground began to thaw.

Next month: Watch for more of our earliest spring migrants including Tree Swallows, Turkey Vultures, Say's Phoebes, and perhaps even early Rufous Hummingbirds toward the end of the period. Please post your observations to the Mid-Valley birding list at midvalleybirding.org, e-mail them to me at joel.geier@peak.org, send by post to 38566 Hwy 99W Corvallis 97330, or call (541) 745-5821 by 21 Feb.

COMMUNITY NOTES



2017 ECO-FILM FESTIVAL

This year's Eco-Film Festival will take place every Friday in February at the Odd Fellows Hall, 223 SW 2nd Street, Corvallis. Doors open at 6:30 pm and the programs begin at 7 pm. A suggested donation of \$5 per person or \$10 per family is requested to help cover costs of the festival. Event sponsors are the Corvallis Sustainability Coalition, the Corvallis Environmental Center and the Corvallis Odd Fellows.

February 3: Wolf OR-7 Expedition; traveling the wolf's course

February 10: To the Ends of the Earth; beyond peak oil

February 17: Seed: The Untold Story; saving our food source

February 24: A Plastic Ocean; where disposable ends

CORVALLIS SUSTAINABILITY FAIR & TOWN HALL

The Corvallis Sustainability Fair & Town Hall will take place on Thursday, March 9, 2017 from 5-7 (Fair) & 7-9 (Town Hall) at the CH2M Hill Alumni Center on the OSU campus. Further details will be posted at www.sustainablecorvallis.org.

Keynote speaker for the Town Hall will be Dr. Samantha Chisholm Hatfield. The title of her talk will be "Traditional Ecological Knowledge: Groundwork for a Sustainable Community."

The Fair & Town Hall are sponsored by the Corvallis Sustainability Coalition (CSC)—Audubon Society of Corvallis is one of the partner organizations of the Coalition.

ASC will host a table at the Fair & we invite you to drop by.

Attendance at the Fair & Town Hall is free and open to the public. Registration is required for the Town Hall portion of the evening due to limited seating. The link to register for the Town Hall is: www.surveymonkey.com/r/SustainabilityTown_Hall_2017

Suzanne Ortiz, ASC representative to CSC

OSU BIRD NERDS – COMING MEETINGS

Wed, Feb. 1st: OSU Bird Nerds meeting with Dr. Joan Hagar (5 pm, Nash 032) The guest speaker at our next general meeting will be Dr. Joan Hagar, Research Wildlife Biologist at the U.S. Geological Survey Forest and Rangeland Ecosystem Science Center (USGS FRESC). Her presentation will be on the role of disturbance in creating habitat for birds, from 5-6 pm in Room 032 in Nash Hall (2820 SW Campus Way) on the OSU campus. Please join us to learn about Dr. Hagar's research!

February 18: Beginning Birdwatches (8 am & 4 pm) A 1-hour walk to the covered bridge on OSU campus with one of our Bird Nerd Officers, to practice identifying birds by sight and sound, and share ID tips. Birders of all skill levels are welcome! The Beginning Birdwatches will be offered at two times, 8:00 am & 4:00 pm, both meetings at the Oldfield Animal Teaching Facility (SW 35th St Corvallis, OR 97330). Email Gabriel at sandovga@oregonstate.edu to borrow a pair of binoculars for the walk or if you have questions.

Saturdays at 10 am Bilingual Nature Walks: Join us on four family-friendly, bilingual (Spanish and English) nature walks at local refuges. The host is looking for volunteers who could help point out and identify birds for the group during the walk. Volunteers do not necessarily need to be able to speak Spanish. Join us for a morning of birds and outdoor education! All walks are on Saturdays and begin at 10 am:

February 11 and March 25: William L. Finley NWR—Homer Campbell boardwalk (meet at trailhead parking lot)

April 8: Ankeny NWR—auto tour with stops at Eagle Marsh and/or Rail Trail/Marsh Boardwalk (meet at Ankeny Hill Outlook)

April 15: Baskett Slough NWR—Rich Guadagno Memorial Loop Trail (meet at trailhead parking lot) Please email Mamo at waiianuhl@oregonstate.edu if you are interested in helping or have questions.

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Marion Rutledge

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Feb 9	ASC Board Meeting, 7 pm, Natural Grocers
Feb 11	Half-Day Field Trip, Cheadle Lake, Lebanon
Feb 16	ASC General Meeting at Chintimini Sr Ctr
Feb 21	Field Notes submissions due
Feb 23	March CHAT submissions due
Mar 11	Half-Day Field Trip, Luckiamute State Natural Area

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2016 Corvallis Christmas Bird Count Results

Species	1A	1B	1C	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Feeder	Totals	Historic High	Counts seen
Gr. White-fronted Goose																1	122	34
Snow Goose								15	13							28	39	29
Canada Goose (lg. form)		69	22	36	13	10	54	79	290	900	1,430	12	76	25		2,976	38,623	12
Cackling Goose	75	1,938	1,800	1,900		1,419	100	4,157	10,230	1,707	13,651			720		35,797	44,469	12
Can/Cac Goose, sp.							300			400						700	78,141	55
Tundra Swan					79	64					640					783	1,313	47
Wood Duck								2		9	13		2			26	518	52
Gadwall											7			2		9	31	44
Eurasian Wigeon											7		1			8	9	34
American Wigeon		31		50	13		30	22	6		3,140	2	250	25		3,569	15,630	53
Mallard		12		3	11	14	7	28	15	59	3,850	6	60	19		4,084	40,627	54
Northern Shoveler		12		36	17					4	201	6	790	8		1,074	2,268	51
Northern Pintail				12		8		13	5	1	7,500		1			7,540	25,475	53
Green-winged Teal					11	1		20	300	35	14,500	10	142	41		15,060	21,309	54
Canvasback											5		52			57	104	27
Redhead											1					1	5	8
Ring-necked Duck		3		12				3			1,778	30	75	4		1,905	2,743	44
Greater Scaup											1		1			2	8	13
Lesser Scaup					3						7		169			179	488	42
Bufflehead				50	7			3			30	2	165			257	357	45
Hooded Merganser		19		2			1	1			9	5		4		41	51	42
Common Merganser		8		1												9	196	42
Ruddy Duck				12							7		350			369	448	44
Duck, sp.								2								2	442	7
Wild Turkey		9					3					22	31		11	76	146	18
California Quail										5			14	1	3	23	560	54
Pied-billed Grebe		2		12				3			3					20	135	47
Eared Grebe													3			3	6	18
Western Grebe								1								1	4	15
D-c Cormorant		9		4				34			4		1			47	565	34
Great Blue Heron	1	3		2				12	3	2	13					35	100	54
Great Egret		4	1	1				1	3		1					10	21	26
Bald Eagle				5	47	7		7	14	5	25	1	7	1		119	119	41
Ad./Im.				4/1	22/11				4/2	3/2		1/0	2/5	1/0		37/21		
Northern Harrier		2		3	1			7	11	3	18	1	5	1		50	135	54
Sharp-shinned Hawk					1			1			2		2	1		7	22	52
Cooper's Hawk								1					2		1	4	14	51
Accipiter, sp				1												1	3	6
Red-shouldered Hawk			1	1				3			5	1		1		12	17	12
Red-tailed Hawk	4	5	2	8	7	9		3	15	5	20	3	13	7		97	273	54
Rough-legged Hawk								2	5	4	6		1			18	47	50
American Kestrel	5	1	2	7	13	14	1	6	17	11	20	1	12	4		114	170	54
Merlin							1			1	1					3	10	34
Peregrine Falcon					1	1		2	1		2		1			8	6	24
Virginia Rail		1							1		1					3	9	16
American Coot				150							179	1	285			615	1,924	53
Sandhill Crane											1					1	11	2
Killdeer	1		1	30	101	350	1	32	52	422	215		4			1,209	10,728	54
Lesser Yellowlegs					1											1	0	1
Spotted Sandpiper								1								1	13	31
Least Sandpiper												4				4	80	17
Dunlin					341				20	80	4					445	2,937	50
Calidris, sp.					1											1	50	2
Wilson's Snipe					1	1		178	8		8		cw			196	829	54
Mew Gull						11										11	1,050	19
Ring-billed Gull						337										337	2,145	42
California Gull						22										22	335	32
Herring Gull						1		1								2	210	16
Glaucous-winged Gull			1													1	188	27
G-winged x Western Gull													1			1	1	4
Gull, sp.		2			1											3	241	23
Rock Pigeon	80			25	5	21		7							2	140	750	42
Mourning Dove	1	15		11	3	2	10	24	82	55	3	1	27			219	496	54
Eurasian Collared-Dove	23	1		22	23	32	3	5	45	29	2	52	5		3	224	158	8
Barn Owl										1	3					4	13	46
W. Screech-Owl	1															1	6	32
Great Horned Owl								1		1	2					4	25	51
Northern Pygmy-Owl											1		1	1		3	3	29
Burrowing Owl									1							1	2	15
Short-eared Owl					2				3							5	29	42
N. Saw-whet Owl											1					1	6	25
Anna's Hummingbird	1	10	3	2	1	1	4	11		1		4	1	1	6	37	64	41
Belted Kingfisher		1		3				1	1			1				7	22	53
Lewis' Woodpecker															cw	cw	68	27
Acorn Woodpecker	5	1	5	6	17	7			6	1	20	9	21	1	3	102	112	54
Red-breasted Sapsucker	2	4			1					1	1		2	1	1	13	29	54
Downy Woodpecker	8	6	2	1	2	4	1	8	3	1	8	1	1	4	3	50	358	54
Hairy Woodpecker		2			1			5			9		2	1	1	21	19	49
Northern Flicker, red-s.	12	12	1	4	7	13	5	19	7	10	71	9	18	11	10	197	427	55
Pileated Woodpecker							1							2		3	12	47

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Black Phoebe		1		1		2		7	1			6		2		19	13	16
Say's Phoebe											1					1	1	2
Northern Shrike											1					1	11	47
Hutton's Vireo					1						2					3	19	42
Gray Jay											1					1		6
Steller's Jay	30	11	10	10	1	1		7	6	15	27	7	39	37	24	221	379	53
California Scrub-Jay	19	70	32	35	37	28	15	28	13	12	29	34	20	9	13	351	675	54
American Crow	16	146	165	27	23	5	27	80	124	12	24	35	310	9	22	905	2,491	55
Common Raven	3	1	14		19	11		7	62	1	14		41	7		180	158	51
Horned Lark					2				34							36	315	43
Bl.-capped Chickadee	37	166	130	63	29	12	19	78	22	7	42	24	59	14	23	580	879	55
Ch.-backed Chickadee	6		5				2	6			8		20	15		62	362	53
Bushtit	10	50		24				106	45		26		24		10	245	554	54
Red-breasted Nuthatch	5	2			2			5	1	1	3		24	6	5	54	120	54
White-breasted Nuthatch	5	4	2	2	3	5	2	2	6		14	2	4	2	2	53	99	55
Brown Creeper		4	3	1	3	1		12	2		18		6	1		47	50	55
Bewick's Wren	2	15	4	9	3	2	2	14	6	4	11	7	4	7		82	153	53
Pacific Wren	6	3			2	2		6	4		21	2	15	11	1	72	129	55
Marsh Wren		3			1		3	1	1		18			1		25	30	44
Golden-crowned Kinglet	21	9	20	14	13		3	67	6	1	60		74	81	3	367	908	55
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	6	6	9	27	3	8	7	31	8	5	17	9	13	10	1	155	346	54
Western Bluebird	17	28		3	19	2	6	4	17	5	84	27	13	30	4	246	440	51
Hermit Thrush	1		1								1		1	2		6	46	45
American Robin	97	440	132	59	31	14	89	120	60	83	143	106	87	53	2	1,176	9,386	54
Varied Thrush	1	2						8	2	3	4	1	9	14	1	45	356	53
Wrentit	1	2						1			1	2	4			9	30	30
European Starling	374	464	290	810	283	330	21	380	5,250	1,500	10,057	295	240	202	4	19,876	99,683	54
American Pipit					13			170	127	22	96		2	8		438	1,581	54
Cedar Waxwing			27				20	90			16					153	346	52
Nashville Warbler															1	1	1	3
Yellow-rumped Warbler		62	1	1		3			1	2	6	19	12	14	7	128	334	53
- Audubon							2	4	2		61		2		1	72	151	30
- Myrtle	13						4	3			67					87	93	30
Townsend's Warbler								1							1	2	96	49
Spotted Towhee	23	25	8	32	5	13	3	28		11	33	27	27	7	16	242	451	55
Clay-colored Sparrow								1								1	1	3
Chipping Sparrow		cw														cw	9	14
Savannah Sparrow					39			2	53	8	6		1			109	542	49
Fox Sparrow	12	13	5	36	3	2	1	3	6	8	19	20	37	7	4	165	422	54
- Red Fox Sparrow													1			1	0	1
Song Sparrow	24	41	23	87	29	31	12	31	28	6	63	15	52	18	1	428	1,418	55
Lincoln's Sparrow	8	4		4	11			1	2	1	25	2	3			57	71	45
Swamp Sparrow											1					1	9	15
White-throated Sparrow	1	3		1				1	2		1	2	1		1	13	30	48
White-crowned Sparrow	11	54		18	43	27		8	21	20		40	13	10		212	539	54
Golden-crowned Sparrow	45	51	2	28	87	25		45	38	13	63	63	67		10	501	990	54
Dark-eyed Junco	79	116	60	50	51	36	12	81	21	151	142	199	200	88	106	1,291	3,518	55
- slate-colored		1											2			2	9	10
Red-winged Blackbird	8	75		24	73	4	1	2	185	7	606	9	74	152		1,145	23,111	54
Western Meadowlark					1				10		8		1			20	892	55
Brewer's Blackbird	235	46		70	47			2	219	1	18		110			503	8,735	55
Brown-headed Cowbird		1			2				18				2			22	320	44
Blackbird, sp.													80			80	335	4
Purple Finch	27					1				1	18		10	2		59	104	52
House Finch	18	61	7	3	53	5	6	12	24	24	3	60	40	5		279	739	52
Red Crossbill											1			2		3	164	17
Lesser Goldfinch	1	5						2				4	1		8	19	110	39
American Goldfinch	22	34		1			5	78					4		6	116	367	53
House Sparrow	48	25	5	1	19	9	2	8	1			1	21			115	614	54
Passerine, sp.										20						20	0	1
Total Birds	1,451	4,227	2,795	3,853	1,683	2,929	788	6,262	17,584	5,697	59,315	1,190	4,366	1,712	321	110,113		
Total Species	49	63	34	58	61	49	38	79	62	53	93	47	79	54	36	125		
Hours Foot		4	4	1	1	1	6	5	2	5	12	3	7	5		53		
Hours Car		6	4	7	8	7	1	1	5	4	6	5	7	3		62		
Hours Bicycle		3	4					6								12		
Miles Foot		3	4	1	0	1	3	3	1	1	6	1	4	4		32		
Miles Car		33	15	39	26	44	5	0	26	37	28	26	63	25		367		
Miles Bicycle		5	11					15								31		
Hours Owling	1	0				0		1								3		
Miles Owling	3	0				0		1								4		
Hours Feeder															38	38		
Parties Feeder															10	10		
# Participants		4	4	2	2	1	3	6	4	3	6	3	4	2		44		
# Parties		2	2	1	1	1	2	2	2	1	2	1	2	1		20		