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FLATHEAD AUDUBON HELPS SPONSOR COMMUNITY RIVER CONNECTION DAY

The sound of children's voices floats out over Lawrence Park and the Stillwater River, as the buses pull up to start the day at the first annual Community River Day on September 22, 1998. So what is this day all about? Co-sponsored by 19 different organizations including such groups as Flathead Land Trust, MT Fish, Wildlife & Parks, The Flathead National Forest, The Glacier Institute and Flathead Audubon. The day was an effort to share with local 5th and 6th graders that our community is closely linked with, and greatly enhanced by, all the healthy river systems in our valley.

The day was kicked off by Mark Holston of the Flathead Basin Commission. Mark shared with the excited crowd the message that here in the Flathead Valley, where we are surrounded by beautiful wild lands, we often forget what special things, such as healthy river systems, we have right in our own backyard.

Student classes rotated between five stations which focused on some element of the riparian habitat or river use. The stations focused on such things as riparian plant life and wildlife, biological and physical elements looking at the river bed and aquatic life. An art station gave the students a chance to create a huge river mural, documenting all the components of a river they had learned about during the day.

At the Audubon station volunteers shared information and resources focusing on riparian wildlife and the use of the river habitat as a travel corridor and fueling station for both birds and mammals. More than 100 bird species have been known to use this area and the braided section of the Flathead River east of Kalispell is known to be some of the most important habitat for beaver and otter in the

Flathead Valley. This area, within the boundaries of Reserve Street on the North, Four Corners to the South, Foy's Lake to the West, and the Flathead River corridor to the East is 29 square miles. Of that, almost a third, an estimated 9 square miles, are riparian areas along the rivers.

Throughout the day birds graced our discussion of wildlife's need for riparian habitat. Flocks of Canada Geese gearing up for migration, Chickadees flitting through the tree tops, a Flicker inspecting a decaying snag and a aerial display of a Sharp Shinned Hawk mobbing a Crow all took place above the heads of the students at the Audubon station. By the end of the day these students, hopefully, came away with the desire to delve into a river near their homes for further investigations, as well as understanding of the importance of intact riparian areas.

By Sonja Hartmann

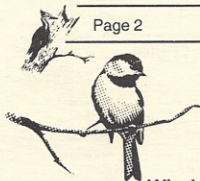


ANNUAL SUNFLOWER SEED SALE!



HAVE YOU BOUGHT YOUR SUNFLOWER SEED FOR THIS YEAR? REMEMBER TO DO SO!

When you buy bird seed from Flathead Audubon you help support the many activities our chapter supports. This is the Chapter's main fundraising effort for the year. Your purchase allows Flathead Audubon to continue to support local Wildlife Refuges, Audubon Adventures for 5th grade classes, to purchase nature books for local elementary schools and scholarships, just to name a few. Give your backyard neighbors some lunch and help support Flathead Audubon. THANKS!



Chickadee Chatter

What a beautiful fall we have had this year, I simply have no complaints. If I could complain it would be because there are not enough hours in a day to take it all in. Fall is a wonderful time of the year for me because I get to have a few days off to go hiking and play a little bit. I love to hike this time of the year; the temperatures are just perfect - not too hot and not too cool, there are not many people on the trails and so I get to enjoy the solitude we all crave at one time or another.

It was a bright, sunny morning not long ago that I got in the car and headed up to Glacier Park to go hiking with a friend. The day was not terribly remarkable in itself, we have had so many of these beautiful days this year but I find it is what one does with one time that makes a day memorable.

The sky was cloudless as we drove along US 2 and the mountainsides were ablaze with the yellows, reds and greens of the changing leaves and needles. The Western Larch was nearing the peak of its color. The larch, *Larix occidentalis*, is an astonishing tree it is a deciduous conifer. The only conifer here in the northwest corner of the country that drops its needles in the fall. The tree can grow to 200 feet in height and have a 4 foot thick trunk, here in Montana trees have been found that are 900 years in age, they commonly live 500 years or more. These large old-growth trees are very fire resistant and can survive all but the most intense forest fires. Western Larch and Lodgepole Pine grow rapidly and are the first trees to settle in burned areas. (They can grow as much as 4 feet in 4 years.) These characteristics have given us the marvelous stands of larch we see today in NW Montana. Many of us will go out of our way in late October just to look at the show of colors of the Western Larch.

I am no exception. The larch in the Middle Fork of the Flathead were all colors from light bright green to the rich gold we see just before the needles drop. The trail we chose to hike was lined with golden larch needles and multicolored leaves from alder, birch, mountain ash and huckleberry. It was going to be a memorable day.

It was cool as we started, the little plants that lined the trail had rims of frost

around their leaves. Two Gray Jays flew in to see if we had anything interesting to eat. We walked along the Middle Fork listening to sounds of the forest. There were flocks of Mountain and Black-capped Chickadees up in the trees serenading us as we went. Every now and again you would see the flap of tiny wings against the yellow leaves. The further up the mountain the quieter the day became. Not even the tap, tap, tap, of a woodpecker to break the silence. Suddenly, the call of a raven broke the air and before long seven of them had shown up their black glossy wings glistening in the sunlight, they gave us an aerial acrobatic display that was quite impressive and then they were gone. A bit further along and higher up we ran into crunchy snow on the trail and off in the distance two Bald Eagles circled slowly soon turning into black specks against a blue, blue sky.

The trail to Scalplock Lookout switchbacks up three and half miles to one of the most incredible vistas, a 360 degree view of high snowy peaks, golden and green mountainsides of trees and grassy meadows, and the deep green-blue of the Middle Fork far below. We saw a few birds, lots of leaves and needles on golden trees and reveled in the sun on top of a mountain, all in all a memorable day.

Leslie L. Kehoe
(Editor's Note: Interested in trees? A good book is Northwest Trees by Stephen Arno and Ramona Hammerly)



SEPTEMBER MEETING
Monday, November 9, 1998
Fish, Wildlife & Parks Building
490 N. Meridian Rd., Kalispell
Business Meeting starts at 5:15PM
Meeting starts at 7:30PM

PROGAM: Salish-Kootenei Tribal Management of Migratory Birds, a slide presentation by Dale Becker, Tribal Wildlife Program Manager, and John Gobeille, Tribal Wildlife Biologist. Becker and Gobeille will summarize the results of their most recent research and monitoring efforts on migratory birds, and give an overview of the Tribal reintroduction program.



Field Notes by Pattie Brown

This year, Neal and I celebrated my 50th birthday by floating the Missouri River. Lex Blood, Geologist and Karen Nichols, Photographer, offered an expedition through Flathead Valley Community College. Our group, numbering 13, launched from Virgelle in 3 kayaks, 4 canoes and a dory, the beginning of October. This is the land of hoodoos, Eagle sandstone cliffs, bentonite shores with Prairie Falcons and Golden Eagles overhead. We followed the Lewis and Clark route of 1805, only they were going UP the river slogging in the muck against a strong current. It was typical Montana fall weather, a little of everything. When we had a tail wind, we used Neal's red long underwear on our kayak as a sail. Within minutes we were surrounded by the shutterbugs, who never missed a photo opportunity.

We learned a lot, ate a lot, and laughed a lot. All of us grateful for and humbled by the beauty of the experience. The rest of the class was picked up at Judith Landing. Neal and I in our tandem Klepper Kayak with Bruce Evans in his hand-crafted dory continued on to Robinson Bridge. This total 110 miles of the Missouri is designated as Wild and Scenic River. It is magical, rich is history and geology. High in the cliffs Neal and I found buffalo bones and fossil ammonites and shells. There are many campsites in cottonwood groves and old homesteads to explore.

The buffalo have been replaced by cattle. There are abundant cow pies down to the water's edge contributing to nutrient load and pollution of the river. We are concerned about the intensive grazing, knowing that if cottonwood seedlings do get established they will certainly be eaten by the cattle. There are areas along the river which had been allowed to flood and where grazing was not allowed. These areas had a thicket of new cottonwood of different ages. Unless the cattle are kept away from the river I fear we will lose the old growth cottonwood groves.

We sat by the campfire, watched the full moon rise with Jupiter and Saturn, listened to the Great Horned Owl but mainly listened to the silence. In the morning Bighorn Sheep were in the cliffs across the river from our camp. We were lucky to have

a beautiful rattlesnake in camp who we called "Buzz", for obvious reasons. A beaver nearly landed in our kayak when we paddled close to shore and frightened it out of its lodge. We have memories to cherish-Kodak moments, binocular moments and just moments.

After seven days on the river, our shuttle man, Kevin, loaded us up and hauled us back to Virgelle. As we were about to leave he said, "Do you know Lou Bruno? He guides for us."

Each wild and wonderful experience changes us in a small way and reinforces and reminds us why we do the work we do to save our natural world. And you betcha, I wrote the Bureau of Land Management about the cattle and cottonwood issue. And, of course, I know Lou Bruno, who doesn't?

By Pattie Brown



Dancing Prairie Bird Club to Meet

The Dancing Prairie Bird Club ("Flathead Audubon North") meets the fourth Monday of the month at the Eureka Ranger Station.

The November 23rd program includes a video titled "The Edwards of Lonesome Lake" about the rescuing of Trumpeter Swan populations in British Columbia and a review of birds likely to be seen during this years Christmas Bird Count. For more information you may contact Sharon DeLong at 882-4501.

Two Legislative Intern Positions For Montana Audubon Available

Montana Audubon will be hiring two interns for the 1999 Legislative session in Helena. The interns will be employed from January 4 through April 23, 1999. Duties include assisting the lobbyist of Montana Audubon and helping run the day-to-day operation of the Montana Audubon office. Salary: \$800/month. Past interns have arranged college credits for their experience. For more information, contact: Janet Ellis, Montana Audubon, P.O. Box 595, Helena, MT 59624, (406)443-3949.



From the Vice President



"Pen and camera are weapons against oblivion, they can create an awareness for that which may soon be lost forever." George B. Schaller

With the advent of each season comes repetition; with fall, leaves turn, early morning fog, the annual Sunflower Seed Sale. As soon as the bears go into hibernation we can clean those feeders, fill them up and get ready to do some backyard birding.

Those of us that keep our feeders stocked throughout the winter make it pretty easy for the seedeaters. They can get through the hard months ahead by seeking out the many feedings sights provided by us human beings.

What about the rest of the bird species, the ones that subsist on a diet other than seeds? The insectivores and carnivores and herbivores. The shore birds, waterfowl, birds of prey. For these birds a backyard feeder simply will not do. They need open space "the big back yard", with the natural web of life that only a large undisturbed area provides. Wetlands and riparian habitat, boreal habitat, grasslands and open water.

Few of us own land of such variation, land that supplies a safe haven for a wide variety of plants and animals. Land that allows a natural ebb and flow of the life, death and regeneration of a complete and fully functional ecosystem.

You may not own it but you do help provide it. As a member of Flathead Audubon you are also a lessee of The Owen Sowerine Natural Area. The Owen Sowerine Natural Area is located on the southeast edge of Kalispell and is part of the "braided channels" area of the Flathead River. It may be reached by driving to the dead end of Treasure Lane off of Willow Glen Drive. There is a small parking area and a sign marking the access to the mainland parcel. (Be sure to not block the driveway of the neighboring land owner.) The largest portion of the Natural Area is an island and most easily accessed by canoe via the Stillwater River. The entire parcel is 412.22 acres: all is open to the public.

The Owen Sowerine Natural Area was designated a Natural Area in 1975 and named in memory of Owen Sowerine, Flathead County's first Parks Board Chairman. Mr. Sowerine had long been a champion of retaining a natural corridor along the Flathead River. The area is leased from the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation and is the only parcel of state land in Montana designated a Natural Area under the Natural Areas Act of 1974.

Nineteen ninety two brought the first rumblings that Flathead County would relinquish the lease on the area. By 1994 Flathead Audubon was asked by the Flathead County Parks Department if our organization could contribute the \$350 for that years lease payment. With generous help of neighbors in the area, the necessary funds were raised for the years 1994 to 1996. The lease remained under the umbrella of The Flathead County Parks Department. Starting in 1997 the lease was transferred to the Flathead Audubon Society. The lease now costs Flathead Audubon \$500 per year.

There is concern that a reassessment may raise the lease price out of Flathead Audubon's financial capabilities. Time will tell. At present the Board of Directors for Flathead Audubon is confident that an annual fund raising effort can retain the Owen Sowerine Natural Area as a place of refuge for wildlife and humans.

Another concern, a very serious concern, is a proposed development of 135 acres of neighboring land laying between the Flathead River and the Stillwater River. The proposal, the "Bill Lincoln Master Plan Amendment", requires a change of the Kalispell City - County Master Plan from "Agricultural 80", "Rural 1" and "Rural 2" to "Resort Commercial". If granted, Mr. Lincoln proposes constructing: Townhouses. A recreational vehicle campground. A hotel. A theater. A golf course. A truck stop. Think about it, a truck stop on Conrad Drive. Of course it wouldn't be the Conrad Drive we know today, it would be the Lasalle Extension. The proposal would extend Lasalle Rd (Highway 2 East) to Conrad Drive, in effect creating a truck route from Highway 2 East to Highway 93 South via Willow Glen Drive and Conrad Drive.

Flathead Audubon has decided to oppose the required amendment to the Kalispell City-County Master Plan. The loss of the current Flathead River wildlife corridor, the detrimental impact to water quality, the potential for annual flooding, the intense traffic pressure, all put this

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proposal beyond the limit of acceptable change.

The City-County Planning Board and Zoning Commission will hear our comments on the proposal on October 20th. It is a large and significant proposal and I presume it will not simply go away. If you have thoughts or opinions about this matter please contact the Planning Board or the Kalispell City Council or the Flathead County Commissioners. Also feel free to contact your Flathead Audubon officers and directors or come to our board meetings. We meet at 5:15 PM before each regularly scheduled membership meeting and program. One and all are welcome.

Soooo, Seen any good birds lately? Wayne Tree reports an Anna's hummingbird at Arlee. Only the 10th in state history if the sighting passes muster. Who knows maybe you will see a bird of equal rarity and beauty at the Owen Sowerine Natural Area. Check it out!

Sincerely,

Neal Brown, Vice President
Flathead Audubon Society

Population and Habitat "Title Ten"

Audubon, the first national environmental organization to take a stance on human population growth, recognizes that unless the ever-increasing growth of our population is not curtailed, all efforts to save wildlife habitats will be for naught. Making contraceptives available and affordable to sexually active individuals so that they might voluntarily control their fertility is critical to reduce population growth.

Title X (spoken as "Title Ten"), provides federal funds to subsidize family planning clinics within the United States. Its goal is to make acceptable and effective contraceptives available to sexually active low-income women. Congress appropriates the money for Title X each year for both domestic and international programs.

In Montana, the "Statewide Family Planning Project" receives Title X funds to serve women in need of subsidized family planning services. It reaches about half of the estimated 44,930 women considered to be in need, or less than \$40 per patient per year. This amount is inadequate for the services expected.

Opponents of "Title X" claim that the availability of contraceptives increases the rate of out-of-wedlock children, increases the rate of sexually transmitted diseases, increases the number of abortions, and is in

large part responsible for the perceived loss of family values in this country.

Facts are otherwise: the number of abortions has declined steadily since 1990; the rate of unintended pregnancies has declined; and the teen birthrate has declined. Family values have changed, but arguably are healthier. The effort to provide contraceptive services to low income women has contributed to these improvements.

Montanans are in agreement with 70 percent of Americans who favor federally subsidized family planning services for low income women. It seems better to allow women today to voluntarily control their fertility, rather than coercing women in the next decade of the 21st century to limit the number of children.

Begin with our Congressmen, Rick Hill. Write him and tell him what you think. His address is 1037 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515. Email: rick.hill@mail.house.gov
Clayton McCracken
Montana Audubon Population & Habitat Committee





BIRD SEED OR BEAR FEED

That is the question. If you live in a rural setting, you may have already had Bruin digging up your yards, knocking down your feeders and crawling into your storage cans after sunflower seed and cracked corn, plus breaking down your fruit trees. Huckleberry pickers know that there was virtually no crop this year and nothing to fatten bears for their winter sleep. A female griz with two cubs has toured Ferndale and Bigfork for quite a while. Black bears are everywhere. Bears near homes are always in danger of a conflict which results in the bear's death. A great effort is being made to haze the bears back to the mountains. FWP has been chasing bears with Karelian bear dogs and leaving out deer carcasses to help, especially the lactating females, fatten up before dening. Females might den next week, but males may stay out well into November. Consider not feeding birds for the next month if you are in a vulnerable area. Lock up your seed in the garage or shed. The birds will return shortly after you begin to feed again--ours have never left.

By Robin Magaddino

ATTENTION Polson Auduboners

The Seed Sale page in the October issue of this Newsletter contained an error: pre-ordered sacks of sunflower seeds will be distributed in Polson on Sunday, November 15 -- not on Saturday. The Seed Sale page in this issue has the correct information for Polson distribution. Be sure to mark your calendar appropriately.

Report From the Board of Directors

Pattie Brown has been appointed to the Board of Directors to replace Dick Moore, who moved out of the Flathead area over the summer. In addition, John Ashley and Robin Magaddino have been appointed Board Members for the year 1998-99.

Rod Ash and Brent Mitchell will continue as representatives of Flathead Audubon to Montana Audubon. Robin Magaddino was elected to be the

third representative. Jim Rogers, Pattie Brown and Gael Sullivan will be the Alternates.

Sonja Hartman will be the Flathead Audubon representative to the Flathead Conservation Roundtable this year.

Kim Davis has arranged to distribute the monthly nature magazine, Audubon Adventures, to 36 fifth grade classrooms in the Flathead region this year. This is almost twice the number of classes that received this publication last year. The Board will look for ways to generate more funds to support this expanding project.

Issues under consideration: The Board is gathering information on the current policy of the Corp of Engineers regarding violations of wetland regulations on private property, and on Lake County's decision to discontinue funding for control of Purple Loosestrife on private property.

Recent actions: Flathead Audubon was a sponsor for the Community River Connections that took place on September 22 at Lawrence Park; Sonja Hartman and Leo Keane participated in the event. A letter has been sent by Flathead Audubon in support of placing the lynx on the endangered species list.

Projects in progress or under consideration: Flathead Audubon is looking at the advisability of planting vegetation in vicinity of Swan Wildlife Viewing Platform to improve habitat near to the platform, and at the possibility of sponsoring a Flathead Valley birding festival this spring. Plans are in the works for a raffle of a piece of fine art to raise funds for Owen Sowerwine Natural Area.

The Flathead Audubon Board of Directors meets the second Monday of each month from September through May, 5:15 to 7:15 p.m. (just prior to the monthly members' meeting), at the Fish, Wildlife and Parks Building in Kalispell. This meeting is open to all interested parties. Anyone with an issue for consideration by the Board consider should contact President Jim Rogers. Items for the agenda should be provided to Jim at least two weeks before the meeting.



WANTED: Adventurous souls to locate sites and dig bear dens for one or more of the 15 orphaned bear cubs who are now housed near Kalispell. Time is of the essence. Call Eric Wennum at 756-1776 for details.



FLATHEAD AUDUBON'S ANNUAL Sunflower Seed Sale

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**This is Flathead Audubon's primary fund raising project.
Proceeds support local conservation and educational programs such as**

- ◆ Distribution of *Audubon Adventures* to local 5th grade classes.
- ◆ Book Purchase Award to local elementary schools for library books on natural history.
- ◆ Scholarships for environmental education.
- ◆ Research grants for field studies of birds and bird habitat.
- ◆ Educational materials for lectures by Audubon members to local school classes and civic groups.
- ◆ Care and upkeep of local refuges such as Ninepipe Reservoir.

Pick Up Locations: Please note your pick-up date, time and place on your calendar!

Bigfork: Lakehills Shopping Center

Saturday, Nov 14, 10-12 noon: 837-5018

Kalispell: Buttrey's Parking Lot - east side

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Whitefish: Train Depot Parking Lot

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Condon: Call June Ash, 754-2289

for arrangements

Columbia Falls: Glacier Bank

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Polson: Super 1 Foods Parking Lot

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